

**Mendocino County Public Broadcasting
Community Advisory Board
Meeting – Wednesday, 10 November 2021, 7 PM
Via Zoom**

MINUTES

Opening remarks were made by CAB member Andrew Stein, emphasizing the importance of the CAB to both the operation of the station, and the requirements of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting

A round of Introductions was conducted. In attendance were:

Judy Albert (CAB Member)
Lia Holbrook (CAB Member)
Kacy Palmieri (CAB Member)
Andrew Stein (CAB Member)
Tom Dow (Board Chair)
Marty Durlin (Station Manager)
Lynn Dee Johnson
Jonathan Middlebrook
Darca Nicholson
Ed Keller
Annie Gould

Board Chair Tom Dow offered remarks on state of the Station, including details on station finances, the planned move to Ukiah, and potential for maintaining a presence in the Anderson Valley. His remarks included the following information:

The fiscal year closed on June 30th with \$460,000, a strong end-of-year balance. KZYX&Z was fortunate to receive significant grant funds released due to COVID-19--- Payroll Protection Act and Public Broadcasting grants. These are presumed to be one-time funds but will be helpful in building a strong financial foundation.

At the end of September, KZYX&Z closed on a property in Ukiah for \$460,000 as the new location for headquarters. There will be a \$335,000 mortgage. A Building Task Force is planning construction and a general contractor selection is in process.

There will be a satellite dish and STL tower installed with the intent of greatly improving signal capability.

Station Manager Marty Durlin provided an update on station activities, including results of the recent fundraising drive and plans for maintaining a remote studio in Anderson Valley, probably in the town of Booneville. Her remarks included the following information:

KZYX&Z completed the Fall fundraising drive with \$85,000 on air, \$15,000 after the close of the drive.

It was wonderful to have phone answerers back in the studio, putting “community” back in “community radio.”

Comments and Questions were welcomed.

Lynn Dee Johnson asked Tom Dow and Marty Durlin whether there were bad feelings among Anderson Valley listeners and programmers as a result of the planned relocation.

Tom Dow replied that, in general, people were positive about the move and remained in support of the Station and its management.

At that point, about 17 minutes into the meeting, the Zoom link was hacked by at least ten unauthorized attendees, and the distraction of noise and disturbing images prevented further discussion. Andrew Stein aborted the link and closed the meeting without further discussion.