

Mission Statement of DATV

DATV is a community forum that empowers all citizens to learn, create and express their ideas through electronic media.

MINUTES FROM THE MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH, 2015 DATV BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING DATV CONFERENCE ROOM – 11:30AM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Talbert Grooms
Maggie Barlow - Secretary
Diane Graham
Chad Snoke
Randy Phillips
Tom Ritchie

ABSENT

Len Roberts
Comm. Jeffrey Mims

ALSO PRESENT

Steve Ross, Executive Director of DATV
Randy Bellinger – CDTN
Marlese Durr – Board nominee
Verletta Jackson – Board nominee
Dale Grow – DATV, Volunteer Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Talbert Grooms called the meeting to order at 5:25pm

ROLL CALL

S. Ross did the roll call. He noted that Len Roberts had emailed stating he could not attend. Ross also noted a call from the Commission Office that Comm. Mims could not attend.

BOARD CHAIR COMMENTS

T. Grooms started by asking for the approval of the August 10th, 2015 minutes. T. Ritchie moved and was seconded by C. Snoke. Motion unanimously passed.

He then asked for the approval to the appointment of Marlese Durr to the DATV Board of Directors to fill the unexpired term of Dave Johnson ending 12/31/16. And also for the appointment of Verletta Jackson to the DATV Board of Directors to fill the unexpired term of Betty Toney ending 12/31/17. T. Ritchie made the motion, seconded by M. Barlow. Motion unanimously passed. Afterwards both Marlese and Verletta gave a brief presentation of who they are.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

T. Grooms asked for approval. M. Barlow made the motion to approve. The motion was seconded by C. Snoke. Motion passed unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

S. Ross introduced Dale Grow, DATV Volunteer Coordinator for a membership and workshop update. Grow announced that DATV has 482 members currently in 2015 compared to 372 this time in 2014. He gave a quick breakdown of youth members and members from surrounding cities. He also talked about the addition of workshops to meet demand and the demand for more field equipment. T. Ritchie asked about grants to purchase more equipment. Dale spoke about working with area schools. C. Snoke asked about retention. D. Grow and S. Ross talked about retention efforts. M. Barlow mentioned the monthly memberships and the benefits to having it. Finally, Grow talked about the Christmas Party on December 18th. T. Grooms encouraged all Board members to attend.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY OF DAYTON CABLE ADMINISTRATOR

Randy Bellinger had nothing new to report.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Ross brought up the passing of Board member Dennis Greene. He then thanked newly appointed Board member Marlese Durr for setting up and attending meetings with Wright State President, Dr. Hopkins and WSU Vice Pres., of Multicultural Affairs and Community Engagement, Dr. Barrett. At the meetings the topic of DATV's participation during the 2016 Presidential Debate being held at Wright State University. Also, to include DATV on "The Year of the Innocent Bystander" program at Wright State.

T. Grooms asked S. Ross to highlight the ED Report as submitted. Ross talked about the tv program, "Art Hops", DATV's participation in the Marijuana Forum at Sinclair CC, Meet the Candidates, and DATV's partnership with the Montgomery County Library's "Checkout the Arts" program. Ross finished by announcing DATV's award for Overall Excellence by the ACM Central States region. He congratulated community producers and staff for this honor.

M. Barlow brought up the Investment Committee's efforts over the past months and current investment strategy.

S. Ross gave a list of current committees. M. Durr asked about the Development Committee. D. Graham gave a brief history of that committee's efforts. Discussion took place regarding the need to remind city leaders the importance of DATV and its mission. C. Snoke mentioned that our funding is based on cable subscribers and how new technologies and current legislations effect that income. S. Ross and T. Ritchie will work on the legislative aspect.

R. Bellinger addressed the newly appointed Board members on his role as Cable Admin. for the City of Dayton.

D. Graham suggested that T. Grooms and S. Ross could meet with Commissioner Mims to discuss DATV issues relating to legislative issues including the CAP Act.

M Barlow and T. Ritchie asked if donations for the Christmas party would be asked for.

D. Graham would like something be done in Dennis Greene's honor. The idea of Betty Toney being added was suggested. R. Phillips mentioned that former Board member Aaron Shaeffer recently passed. The idea of a scholarship in their names be created such as a "Founders Scholarship". An equipment fund for area school students for media creation was suggested. Donations in their names be created. Creating a plaque.

ADJOURNMENT

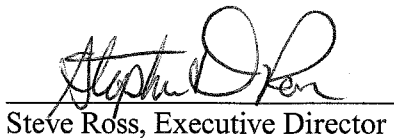
At 6:25 T. Grooms asked for a motion to adjourn. T. Ritchie made the motion and C. Snoke seconded. Motion unanimously passed and the meeting was adjourned.

The next board meeting will be **DECEMBER14TH, 2015 at 5:30pm in the DATV conference room.**

Respectfully submitted,



Maggie Barlow, Secretary



Steve Ross, Executive Director

Submitted
10/14/15 SR