

Minutes
Windham Cable Advisory Board Meeting
November 13, 2008

Present: Chair, Margaret Case; Vice Chair, Leo Hart , Secretary Alan Shoemaker, Mary Griffin, J Gross, Dave Unger, Greg Cappiello and Dan Griffiths (Alternates) and Studio Coordinator Stacey Sofronas.

Excused: Roger Hohenberger, Selectmen member

The meeting commenced at 7:05 p.m.

A motion to approve minutes of the previous meeting was made by J. Gross, seconded by Alan Shoemaker. Approved unanimously.

Correspondence:

- Two letters of complaint were received from the same subscriber, and the board is looking into them.
- A check in the amount of \$22,147.40 was received from Comcast representing their annual payment. Also, the franchise expiration date was extended until February 9, 2009.
- A letter of appreciation to The MITRE Corporation was sent out for their donation of 13 laptop computers.

Studio Coordinator's Report:

- Since September, many interviews have been done for the 2008 political season, including John Sununu, Jeanne Shaheen, Gov. John Lynch, Andrew Christie, Jim Reams and Bob Letourneau.
- The Rockingham Roundtable was resumed, taping interviews with Daphne Kenyon, David Lovejoy, Norm Patenaude, and Phillip Nugent.
- WCTV has started a kid's news show with Windham Middle School, titled "Windham Wildcat News." About 40 6th-8th graders all participate in the "cable club" at the middle school on Wednesdays. They are being advised by Beth Lippold, who is acting producer of the show. This will be a monthly-bimonthly program.
- "Time for Animals" is being continued on a monthly basis.
- We have received many new programs from the NH Coalition of Media, including "Wellness Lifestyles," and "Eat Right – NH." We are also airing new episodes of regular programs such as "Political Chowder," "Around the Town with Larry," "Ablevision" and "National Gallery of Art."
- Upcoming shoots include "Santa Visits Windham" (Sat., Dec 6), The Goldenbrook Holiday concerts and the Seniors' Annual Christmas Party.

- New curtains have been purchased and are now installed in the Planning Department, and the installation of cameras and lighting is in progress. A television monitor and TV stand have also been purchased.
- Two new volunteers have come on board: Lauri Lannan and Sarah Gill. And, Appreciation Awards have been given to Kevin and Sarah Scannell for their help with government meetings.

The financial report was read and discussed. \$2,269.90 has been expended, month to date, and \$12,698.83 is remaining.

A visit to the new high school studio was conducted, and recommendations were made on revisions to its configuration.

Margaret Case presented Stacy Sofronas with a bouquet of roses on the occasion of the completion of her first year as Studio Coordinator. All cable board members expressed their appreciation with a round of applause.

Elections: Mary Griffin proposed for nomination the reelection of the present slate of officers: Margaret Case as Chair, Leo Hart as Vice Chair, and Alan Shoemaker as Secretary. Seconded by Greg Cappiello. Approved unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, January 8, 2009 at the Cable Studio.

There being no further business to bring before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Leo Hart, seconded by Dave Unger. Approved unanimously; meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alan Shoemaker
Secretary