

Board of Directors Meeting

Bedford TV

June 8, 2015

Called to order at 1:05 PM

Directors present: L. Cierpial, G. Kind, J. Turner

Guests and staff present: J. Antriasian, G. Dolan, P. Gilarde, J. Puhle

Other Business:

G. Dolan discussed ramping up BCAT's class schedule this summer and starting to get volunteers certified in different areas of production. An internship program will run this August. Several interns have already signed up, with 2 college students in the works. We are looking for a non-profit in town for them to make a video for. There will also be a reconfiguration of the office and rewiring of the control room when the new server comes in.

On Monday, 6/1, one of the Verizon modulators started smoking due to an inoperable fan which needed to be replaced. Equipment was unplugged that day and Verizon came the following day and replaced the fan. A discussion was had about having an annual call to Verizon to check on equipment.

A video was played on BHS Live recently that made the news as some students and parents found it offensive. The video was not made by anyone associated with BTV but it has led to a review of how videos are vetted before appearing on BHS Live. BHS Principal Henry Turner has asked to meet with G. Dolan to discuss how BTV may be able to help in this process.

The Goddard School renewed as a Community Partner and many DVD's have been sold over the past few weeks for Dance Recitals and the Lane Talent Show.

BCAT's Open House resulted in 3 people interested in helping at BTV.

The Annual Party, following BCAT's Annual Meeting, will be Friday, June 19 from 5:30-7:30 with musicians and scholarships to be awarded. A discussion was held concerning decorations and food offered at the party.

L. Cierpial reported that BCAT expects to have a surplus as we end FY 2015.

J. Puhle reported that our voicemail is now fixed to allow for better communication when viewers need to get a hold of staff outside of office hours. Phone number was corrected on our Facebook page. In addition, annual performance evaluation by Cable Committee went well and BCAT budget was modified and approved by the Selectmen for FY 2016.

New Business:

G. Dolan will be meeting with the LABBB collaborative to have older kids come in to do some work for BCAT.

At 1:46 PM, the BOD moved to change our tax year to coincide with the Town's fiscal year. Seconded by L. Cierpial. Approved with a 3-0 vote. As clerk, J. Serra will need to fill out the documentation in order to make this change with the Commonwealth of MA.

The 2015 BCAT Annual Meeting will be held on June 19 at 4:45 PM.

BCAT Rules and Regulations (Sec. 7 of contract) will be reviewed by BOD and staff. Final review will occur at next BOD meeting for approval and distribution.

Adjournment: With no further business to conduct, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn

the meeting. The President called the meeting closed at 2:09 PM.

Jennifer Puhle, Administrator