

Programming Committee Minutes for August 10, 2020

Members Present: Co-Chairs Matthew Sanborn and Hugh Wing, Kurt Kobelt, Chali Pittman, Sybil Augustine, Agustin Olvera, Casey Fox

Next meeting set for 4pm via Google Hangouts, September 14, 2020.

The July meeting minutes were approved.

Staff Reports:

News Director (see written report submitted separately)

The Committee agreed with the News Director's decision to allow the poet Fabu and others to start a monthly show on Radio Literature called Hidden Voice: African-American Writers Present despite collective host Melvin's objection.

Music Director (see written report submitted separately)

Casey Fox, host of Guilty Pleasures on Wednesday evening, joined the meeting to discuss concerns raised by the Music Director regarding violations of copyright laws, which resulted in a suspension of two weeks. After clarifying what may be played without permission, the Music Director agreed to allow Casey to resume the show, since the 2 week suspension has been served.

New Business:

Lacinda Athen, the at-large listener sponsor member, announced her resignation. This means there are 2 vacancies on the Committee, the other being the news representative.

Sybil asked if it was possible to allow certain hosts who lack the technology to broadcast remotely, such as Rockin John, to come into the station to record shows. She agreed to refer this request to the COVID-19 Committee, along with a plan to do so safely.

There was discussion about how to put listener comments on the website and Sybil agreed to investigate this further.

Motion to adjourn made by Matthew Sanborn, seconded by Kurt Kobelt and approved.

Adjournment at 5:50 pm.

Minutes prepared by Programming Committee Secretary Kurt Kobelt.