

MINUTES
Community Media of the Foothills
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors, Thursday, January 2, 2003

- A. Convene: 7:05 p.m.
- B. Board members present: Suarez, Bryan, Zucco, Ruangchan, Rambeau, Kelly and Huang.
- C. Public Input: None.
- D. Reports:
 - a. ED Repot: Travis Gray for Jasen Lewis – Football season ended, community services programming, Lion King LFX tickets given out on the air, Holiday Parade greetings were pretaped and holiday parade. Technical problems due to power loss and video server down due to maintenance issue.
 - b. Committee Reports: None
 - c. Liaison Reports:
 - i. Library Commission – Sheila Thornton – State Grant, first round no money to Monrovia, but application received well.
 - ii. City Staff – Dick Singer – State deficit will affect City Budget, but CMF’s budget is based on cable franchises, not state funding. Elections coming up... Trolley Ribbon Cutting,
 - iii. Community Services – Dawne Dykstra, busy month in December, tree lighting, parade, joint meeting with Library Board, holiday home happenings contest, prop 40 projects.
- E. Old Business: None
- F. New Business:
 - a. Move the February meeting to February 13th
 - i. Motion, Linda Bryan. Second, Deborah Showers-Kelly. Vote: Unamous
 - b. Discussion regarding Star News Article, “Mayor on Hot Seat”
 - i. Discussion: Alex Zucco- has been on other boards where board members cannot personally endorse candidates. Linda Bryan discussed volunteer board members still has first amendment rights outside their board position. Karen Keeshan-Suarez talked about the potential chilling effect of getting board members involved if they can’t speak outside their board position, commended all candidates for being supportive of KGEM. Deborah Showers-Kelly discussed the fact that KGEM will not endorse any candidates. Alex Zucco encouraged that board could agendize item and discuss it. Nina Rambeau talked about a potential press release if confusion arises. Karen Suarez mentioned that disclaimers should be included on candidate forums and programming. Alex Zucco asked for further report on other access stations’ practices.
 - ii. Sheila Thornton reported about the Library board and roles as board members and private citizens... encouraged board that each individual on the board still has a right, as a private citizen to endorse candidates, be careful about perception when talking to people about endorsements. Applauds board on having the discussion.
- G. Board Member Communication/Announcements:
 - a. Karen thanked everyone for coming to the holiday party. Exciting year to come. Armory groundbreaking coming up, new studio should be completed this summer.
 - b. Linda Bryan thanked Peter Hoffman for driving during the parade.
- H. Closed Session: None
- I. Adjournment: 7:41 p.m.