



Community Media of the Foothills

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Meeting of the Board of Directors
KGEM Studio 626 357-4974
847 East Olive Ave., Monrovia CA 91016
Monday, June 12th, 2023

Convene: Rena Delgado (Chair) 7:00 PM

Roll Call:

Rena Delgado (Chair), **Barbara Gholar** (Vice Chair), **Robert Grimes** (Treasurer),
Dirk Beecham (Secretary), **Douglas McComb**, **Ward Calaway**.

CMF MISSION STATEMENT: To promote artistry, freedom of speech, and civic engagement by the use of community media.

Guests: Dr. Tamala Kelly, Chris Loos and Sergio Jimenez.

Sergio Jimenez: City liaison, gives report. Monrovia was designated an All-American finalist. A special thanks to David and Monica Palomares who filmed the event and the behind the scenes of the process.

Rena Delgado: Introduces Community Services Commissioner, Julie Bank.

A. Julie Bank's (Community Services Commissioner) Report:

1. Community Service meeting is on June 13th at the Community Center.
2. Monrovia offers Senior Programs at the Community Center. Monrovia also has the Sunshine Company which is a recreation program for teens and adults with special needs.
3. Monrovia High School and YMCA have swim programs this summer.
4. Fourth of July celebration at Library Park.
5. 17th annual MAP Block Party on June 24th at Julian Fischer Park.

B. Public Input: Public comment will be accepted by e-mail to kgemtv@gmail.com

before 5:00 p.m. of the day of the next Board of Directors meeting. Public comment may be summarized in the interest of time, however the full text will be provided to all Board of Directors.

Dr. Tamala Kelly: City liaison, gives report.

- There will be a Juneteenth event at Station Square on Saturday June 17th.
- Very appreciative of all the hard work David and Monica Palomares put into shooting the All-American City event in Denver, Colorado.

Chris Loos: The Ralph Walker documentary was inspiring. The “I Dream Society” has an Art Collective coming up.

- C. Receive and File:** March 2023, April 2023, and May 2023 Financials –
MOTIONED: Robert Grimes / **SECONDED:** Barbra Gholar
- MOTION CARRIES

Operational Status Report: Rena Delgado reads report from David Palomares, Executive Director, on CMF projects and experiences March 14th, 2023 through June 12th, 2023:

- March 25th Covered the Lucinda Park ribbon cutting re-dedication.
- March 29th Staff toured the Pasadena Media facility.
- March 29th Fred Bowden Museum ribbon cutting.
- March 31st Streamed Baldwin Park ‘State of the City’ with the new FX-6 cameras.
- April 8th Spring Egg Hunt.
- April 14th The Ralph Walker Memorial Bench unveiling.
- April 19th Staff attended NAB, (National Association of Broadcasting), in Las Vegas and purchased some equipment.
- April 24th Submitted to Monrovia the 2023-24 budget.
- April 29th 13th annual MAP neighborhood conference.
- May 2nd Duarte ‘State of the City & Schools’.
- May 4th Monrovia Reads performance at Canyon Early Learning Center.
- May 6th Sierra Madre Library author event.
- May 7th Premiered at Look Cinemas the final cut of Godfather of KGEM.
- May 11th All May Read event at the Double Tree hotel.
- May 19th – 21st Monrovia Days festivities and parade.
- May 27th – 28th Godfather of KGEM was broadcast on the KGEM channel.
- June 2nd The KGEM staff attended the Cine Gear Expo at Paramount Studios in Hollywood.
- June 9th KGEM covered the All American City conference in Denver, Colorado. The city of Monrovia was a finalist.
- A special thanks to the volunteer editors and producers of the many shows on KGEM and KMAC.

Rena Delgado – The upcoming contract with Sierra Madre is very similar to previous contracts with Sierra Madre. A 5-year contract, with annually \$30K paid to KGEM for the various services rendered.

Rena Delgado – **MOTION:** to approve the CMF’s contract with Sierra Madre on June 27th.
MOTIONED: Rena Delgado / **SECONDED:** Barbra Gholar – **MOTION CARRIES**

Barbra Gholar – Ralph Walker Memorial Internship update:

- Current bal. \$4006.26 - Goal \$5000.00
- Implement the internship in January 2024.
- Money has come from Go Fund Me and ticket sales from the showing of the Ralph Walker documentary.

- **Internship for 1 individual, length of time; 60+ hours (1 semester of school)**
- **Plans to expand to more individuals.**

Dr. Tamala Kelly – Asked for a comprehensive bullet point report to give to the City Council. **Barbra Gholar** – Report continues;

- Congratulate the staff that worked on the Godfather of KGEM.
- Reached out to CMF membership with emails to inform about upcoming events – like the showing of Ralph Walkers documentary, Monrovia Days, etc.
- Update the CMF membership list.
- Starting a newsletter.
- Getting positive feedback from members. For example, one member wrote: “I want to send out my heart felt gratitude for the invitation to the Monrovia Days event... I feel like a valued member.”
- Hearing citizens saying they like the City Council Recap show.
- Inter Faith Council will be starting its own show.

Rena Delgado – Thanks Barbra Gholar for collecting donations for the Ralph Walker Internship fund.

Doug McComb – Report;

- Ward Calaway, Dirk Beecham, and Doug operated a game booth at the Monrovia Days celebration. Raised \$300.
- **Horror Kung Fu Theatre** will shoot another episode.

Robert Grimes – Thanks to Doug, Ward, and Dirk for their help on the Monrovia Days booth. Also likes the idea of a documentary on the BTS (behind the scenes) shooting of the All-American City contest.

Rena Delgado – MOTIONS: To adjourn meeting in honor of the citizens of Monrovia and their making it a finalist in the All-American City competition, at 8:04 pm. **MOTIONED:** Dirk Beecham **SECONDED:** Barbra Gholar - **MOTION CARRIES**

Adjourn Election Meeting: The next meeting of the Annual Membership and Election Results Board of Directors will be held on **Monday, October 23rd, 2023, at 7:00 pm (PST).**