



Community Media of the Foothills

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Annual Membership &
Election Results Meeting
KGEM Studio 626 357-4974
847 East Olive Ave.,
Monrovia CA 91016

Monday, October 23rd, 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.

Rena Delgado reads an inspirational poem.

Sergio Jimenez: City Liaison, gives report. Thanks KGEM for doing the City Council Recap shows and everything else they do.

Rena Delgado introduces Community Services Commissioner, Julie Bank.

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

before 5:00 p.m. of the day of the 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.

Chris Loos: Would like to see more of shows like the studio makes including the Ralph Walker documentary.

B. **Receive and File:** Adopt the Minutes; March, 13th 2023 (OPEN), June 12th 2023 (OPEN), September 11th 2023 (CLOSED), October 2nd 2023 (CLOSED) – **MOTIONED:** Barbra Gholar / **SECONDED:** Robert Grimes
Rena Delgado, Barbra Gholar, Robert Grimes, Doug McComb, Ward Calaway: **Yes** Dirk Beecham: **Abstains** – **MOTION CARRIES**

C. **Receive and File:** Table the Financial Review (Draft); **MOTIONED:** Rena Delgado / **SECONDED:** Doug McComb – **MOTION CARRIES**

D. **Receive and File:** June, July, August, and September 2023 Financial Reports; **MOTIONED:** Robert Grimes / **SECONDED:** Barbra Gholar
Rena Delgado, Barbra Gholar, Robert Grimes: **Yes** Dirk Beecham, Doug McComb: **Abstain** – **MOTION CARRIES**

Recipient of the Ralph Walker Internship: Emily Moran, an outstanding Monrovia High School student. Her main focus is human rights and international relations, and started a club; Students for Free Speech.

Operational Status Report: **David Palomares, Executive Director**, reported on CMF projects and experiences June 13th, 2023 through October 23rd, 2023:

- Covered 20 events and produced 53 shows.
- KGEM will cover 4 upcoming events.
- On December 18, 2023 KGEM will have a Holiday Open House and Party.
- The city of Monrovia has extended the 2018 contract until December 31, 2023 while KGEM and Monrovia renegotiate a new contract.
- Youth Actors Academy have been shooting a series of skit in the KGEM studio.
- David gave a grateful acknowledgement to his staff; Chris Luiten, Michael Sain, Garrett Laporte, Issac Koo, and Monica Palomares.

Robert Grimes – How many events and shows are covered by KGEM that are outside of our contractual obligation? David Palomares replied that in the past year we have covered 92.

David Palomares – Gives a special thanks and presents a gift to Ward Calaway, who is leaving the CMF Board after 17 years of wonderful service. David gives thanks and a gift to Rena Delgado for her 14 years of dedication to the CMF Board and says, “we are thankful for her ability to bring her years of business experience to the Board.”

Doug McComb – Spoke about his on-going clothing collection and re-distribution program for the homeless.

John Watson – Reads CMF election results.

- Received one ballot thru priority-mail challenging the section of the ballot regarding by-law changes.
- A total of 54 ballots were received in a timely manner and none were invalidated.
- Proposed By-law amendments passed.
- Out of the 5 candidates, the 3 with the most votes; James DeLisio, Patty Kelley, and Chris O’Sullivan.

Seat newly elected Directors: MOTIONED: Robert Grimes / **SECONDED:** Barbra Gholar. Robert Grimes, Barbra Gholar and Rena Delgado: **YES**
Dirk Beecham, Ward Calaway: **Abstain** Doug McComb: **No**
– MOTION CARRIES

Rena Delgado – Gave a special thanks to the Executive Director, David Palomares and to the KGEM staff, “the wizards behind the scenes.”

Rena Delgado - Effective October 24, 2023, Rena is resigning her position on the board. She leaves the CMF Board after 14 years of service.

Adjourn Election Meeting: at 8:15 pm. The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on **Monday, November 13th, 2023, at 6:00 pm (PST).**