

**KSPS Community Advisory Board May 9, 2019, 4pm KSPS
Studios, KSPS Board Room**

CAB members attending in person: Becka Shelley (Chair), Consuelo Larrabee (Vice-Chair), Vanessa Strange (Secretary), James Albrecht, Terrie Ashby-Scott

Member attending by video conferencing: Bob Morrison

Members Absent: Emily Geddes, Shaun Higgins

KSPS staff attending: Gary Stokes (General Manager), Cary Balzer (Program Director)

Public attendees: none

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 4:07 pm.

At 4:09 pm, the minutes from the April 11, 2019 meeting were approved (motion: Consuelo, second: Terrie.) Vanessa will forward them to Dawn to be posted on the KSPS website, in compliance with the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) requirements, and to Monica Samper, Friends of KSPS board secretary, in compliance with the bylaws.

General Manager's Report and Discussion

- Gary and Cary will attend the PBS Annual Meeting in Nashville
- “Summer of Space” event at the planetarium in June
- CPB budget looks like it will include \$50 million in additional funding
- Next year’s PBS budget includes an increase in dues, but KSPS dues will go down based on lower revenue
- Altruist project is moving forward, including the early stages of the new business plan
- It’s budget week, to prep for board approval in June
- Charles Costanza, Jim Zimmer and Mary DeCesare were all nominated for regional Emmys

Programming Director's Report and Discussion

- The latest programming report of upcoming shows was distributed.
- Breakthrough: Ideas that Changed the World series
- There will likely be Friday “Live from Lincoln Center” performance programs all summer
- The planetarium events in June: 1 for children, 3 for adults
- New kids program: Molly of Denali, but Super Why will still be on the 24/7 kids channel
- TVW is promoting a public affairs program called Washington to Washington, they may be able to produce more episodes and air on KSPS
- Cary described some of the sessions and meetings he will be attending in Nashville, including elaboration on linear streaming, distribution and PBS upcoming initiatives

Around-the-table comments

- Bob liked Unforgotten and Les Miserables, Breakthroughs
- Vanessa mentioned Spokane Public Library will be doing two drag queen storytimes in June. There is also a sports exhibit at the downtown library from June 22-Aug 3 and accompanying activities.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 p.m. The next CAB meeting will be held on Thursday, June 13, 2019 at 4pm at the KSPS studios.

Action items

- Vanessa will forward the approved April minutes to Dawn and Monica.