

KSCW Engineering Committee Minutes – Feb. 6, 2017

Members Present: Ron Bevilacqua, Keith Fowler, Robin Grube, Steve Hotvedt, John Huotari, George Kuchtyak, Marty McCoy, Dwight Senne

Members Absent: None

Meeting called to order at 12:00 PM by Dwight Senne

Old Business:

1. Sub Committees

a. Hardware

- i. Marty reports he has the necessary tools to do remote monitoring of transmitter, but is having compatibility issues with operating the software on Windows 10. He is working the issue with Nicom.
- ii. Dwight says the new Cox internet is installed and he is now working through trying to get the EAS network settings configured. May need help from RCSCW IT dept.
- iii. Marty gave an update on spare parts for transmitter. The final stage MOSFET transistor is about \$150. He is also checking on cost for the PA module and the 48V Power Supply.
- iv. Dwight has not yet had time to check into costs and timeline of quickly buying a whole new transmitter if needed.
- v. Hardware training:
 1. A mini training session was held a couple of weeks ago for the hardware subcommittee. More to come.
 2. FCC Station Log is only for logging issues that are reportable to the FCC, such as transmitter going out of spec, EAS not working, etc.

b. Software

- i. Dwight says we have received a new version of Command Center and Haiku, but he has not yet had time to install it. Have to do backup of the hard drive first, which is difficult as computer keeps crashing when trying to copy lots of files at a time.
- ii. Command Center training – class was held last week for the software subcommittee. Hands on training to start as soon as new Command Center is installed and EAS is online.

c. Music Library

- i. Music library updates contingent on new Command Center install.

2. Computer backups

- a. Decided to get new version of Command Center after talking with TuneTracker Systems. This comes with new version of Haiku which is the main culprit in crashing the computer.

- b. Will decide on a schedule and people responsible for backups after new CC installed
3. Network printer on hold for now until needed and the board has a clearer picture of the budget.
4. New Cox internet service installed and working. Remote access will be configured later.
 - a. RCSCW IT staff available to assist with setup of all network functions, including EAS

New Business:

1. This committee meeting is cut short because of a conflict with On-Air committee meeting. After discussions of the best day and time, it was decided we will continue to meet the Monday before the 2nd Thursday board meeting at noon and Keith will move his On-Air meeting back to 1:00PM. Next meeting will be Monday, March 6th, 2017 at noon.
2. Monitor schedule is filing in and is currently scheduled to be manned Mon, Wed, and Fri from 9AM to Noon starting in March. We were asked to find out if / when eng. Committee members would be willing to come in to the studio to work on programming, music library, etc. Those who mentioned their availability were:
 - o George K. – Wed 9AM to Noon
 - o Marty M. – Mon, or Wed, or Fri 9 AM to Noon
 - o Keith F. (and Sherry) – Thu Noon to 4PM
3. As an FYI, Dwight mentioned a new studio layout was being worked on.
4. No other new business. Meeting adjourned at 12:20 AM.