

KOOP Community Council board meeting September 9, 2015

Pedro Gatos called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

members present: Pedro Gatos, Greg Ciotti, Steven Polunsky, Freddie Krc,
visitor /presenter Katie Vitale, Susan Slattery arrived a few minutes later.

1. Pedro moves that the September agenda be accepted, Greg seconds, all agree.
2. July minutes are approved. August minutes are submitted and need a waiting period for acceptance.
3. Katie Vitale presents a detailed explanation of a podcasting protocol that we could use. Programs could be posted to the internet in such a way that anyone could access them through iTunes. Everyone appreciated the work Katie had put into refining the steps necessary for podcasting programming. Greg Ciotti and Steve Polunsky were most appreciative.
4. Annual Open House. The date of November 9th at 6 p.m. was decided upon. Susan Slattery urged us to recruit more non-profits to attend. She hopes for a 100% participation by CC board members. Pedro will see about reserving the KOOP central area as the meeting space. Freddie has a friend who is a wine distributor and will enlist him to provide some sprits. Non-profits will be able to produce PSAs during the Open House. They are encouraged to sign up in advance. There will be a raffle.
5. ROCO and the October celebration of Local Austin Musicians. Freddie, Greg and others discussed possible shows, guests, themes and questions to be asked about the Austin music scene and the economic situation for musicians in Austin.
6. Elections and positions on the Community Council board. Greg Ciotti and Steven Polunsky's terms will expire. They indicated they did not wish to run for re-election. Pedro asked if they would be available as consultants and they were happy to be consulted. Pedro further suggested that either or both could be re-elected but only serve as long as was convenient in relation to their other obligations. Greg was amenable to the idea. Pedro asked for recommendations for filling their positions as they have been such large contributors to the vibrancy of the board.
7. Open forum. Freddie mentioned the Austin Department of Aging and Disability and their interest in music as a fundamental way to rekindle the memories of those in the grip of memory loss, particularly in relation to Alzheimer's. Everyone agreed that this group should be invited to speak about their music therapy. Alan mentioned a prison documentary to be screened on Friday that he was involved with and a dance/play the same evening that he would speak at as the president of Veterans for Peace, "Warriors: A Love Story".
8. The date of the next meeting of the C.C. board is October 7, 2015, Pedro adjourned the meeting at 9 p.m.