Meeting minutes for KNMC Advisory board - April 10, 2015

Attendees: Mikal Mavencamp, Trygve “Spike” Magelssen, Rick Linie, Dave Martens, Caleb Hutchins, Jim Potter

-The minutes from previous meeting were not available.

Equipment update: Rick- We are still waiting for a replacement for the broken part that caused us to go off the air during February - a backup of this new part has also been ordered
-One channel from the amplifier that powers studio speakers burned out and a replacement has been ordered.
-The air conditioning in the studio was fixed this week, however this will likely be a temporary fix. According to Dan from maintenance, Havre water has been damaging the air conditioner causing frequent breakdowns.

-A discussion was held about whether or not to use station money to fix or replace the current air conditioner. A motion was made to approve the allocation of station funds to be used towards the purchase or repairs of our air conditioning system. The motion was 2nd and approved

Web streaming - after brief discussion among the board members, a motion was made to allocate funds and necessary resources available to begin web streaming our signal - The motion was 2nd and approved by attending board members.

Automated playlists through Spinitron: At our last meeting, we voted to subscribe to this online service for a trial period. We have not yet signed up for our trial period. After discussion, it was agreed that we would sign up for the trial period in the next month.

Course for credit: - The course will be available in the fall 2015 catalog. No other update

William Lisenby memorial plaque - a photo was agreed upon for the plaque and text will require approval from the committee following an edit and review. It was voted and approved that we will call our studio “Bill Lisenby Studio,” in favor of “Lisenby Studio” or “W.E. Lisenby Studio”.

Memorial plaque text (any suggestions or edits welcome)
W.E. “Bill” Lisenby was the man responsible for bringing a campus radio station to the MSU-Northern campus. As an English and Speech instructor at Northern Montana College, Bill started the radio station as an outlet for his speech students to get more time behind the microphone. In the fall of 1951, construction on the first radio studio began in the back of Lisenby’s office located in the Student Union Building. In 1953, he formed a radio club and the station joined the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System. The radio club applied for the call letters “KNMC,” (NMC being an
abbreviation for Northern Montana College) but those call letters were not available at the time. The station was assigned the call letters “KNES,” which the radio club dubbed the Northern Educational Service. In May of 1954, KNES AM 700 was born. The station would broadcast on an AM frequency for the next twenty years. In 1974, the radio club decided to change to an FM signal and their call letters to KNOG. In May of 1978, KNOG FM 90.1 began making stereo broadcasts to the campus and community on a 10 watt FM transmitter. By the late 80’s the call letters “KNMC” became available and the station became KNMC FM 90.1. Bill Lisenby remained the station’s advisor until 1989.

**Website:** KNMC currently does not have a website- a motion was made to create a radio station website that would house our bi-laws, history, dj schedule, contact, etc. - motion carried - Caleb Hutchins offered to help with the website design.

**Parade Float:** KNMC will participate in the festival days parade this upcoming September.

Radio board will communicate via email over the summer - and the next meeting will be scheduled for September.