

KNMC Radio Committee

November 15th, 2019

Meeting participants: Dave Martens, Wade Schneider, Marianne Hoppe, Trygve Magelssen, Jim Potter, Caleb Hutchins, Garrett Depner

New radio board member:

Garrett Depner, student DJ, has agreed to be radio board member for 2020-2021 school year following Wade Schneider's graduation.

Policy Review

314.1 Governance of the MSU-Northern Radio Station

Recommended changes:

Committee membership:

Change "Two students" to "Two Students (one representing ASMSUN and one representing student DJ's)"

Change "The balance of the members will be selected by the Chancellor of MSU-Northern from recommendations provided by the CIO." to "The CIO and radio station manager will select the balance of the members and the chancellor will be notified of the committee member selections."

Motion was made and seconded to approve suggested policy changes. The motion carried unanimously.

Action item: The CIO will carry the changes to the Strategic Advancement Team, which is the next step in making university policy changes.

Budget Discussion

The current fiscal report was reviewed. The station is in good financial shape.

Equipment:

- The sound board in the station's computer needs to be upgraded to provide better broadcast sound quality. The CIO noted the sound board had already been ordered.
- At our last meeting, the committee approved the purchase of a turntable for the radio station. Kevin Mielke (radio station technical support) recommends that we purchase an Audio Technica brand turntable.
Motion was made and seconded to purchase a turntable with built in preamp. Motion carried unanimously.
- CD player 3 is sticking and a new one is required.
Motion was made and seconded o purchase a new CD player. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: ITS will purchase the requested equipment.

Website Updates

The station's Spintron subscription was upgraded and now does real-time music recognition. It listens to the radio stream and within seconds of detecting a new song, adds an entry to the DJ's Spintron

playlist. Feeds have been embedded in the radio station's home page that display upcoming shows and what is currently playing. The side navigation was updated to include an Instagram link and Facebook, Instagram and YouTube icons.

The committee would like to include more pictures of DJs and KNMC events on the web page.

Action Item: The radio station manager will either send the images to the CIO, or the CIO will pull them from Instagram.

Increasing Student Radio Station Participation

Wade has had multiple students talk to him about participating in a station. Their response is, "If I'm not getting paid for it, why am I doing it?"

Various options were discussed including scholarships for new and returning DJs, "letterman" jackets for DJs producing a set number of shows in an academic year, and course credit for DJs.

Motion was made and seconded that we investigate the possibility of creating scholarships for student DJs. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: The CIO will find out if the radio station funds can be used for the scholarships.

Action Item: The radio station manager will meet with Valerie Guyant to discuss how best to create a course that we could possibly offer for more than participation credit. The best way to do so is to look at creating a course that would meet the requirements as a Gen Ed communications course.

Scholarship transfer: As Wade is graduating this semester, the question was raised as to if the spring balance of his scholarship could go to another student.

Action Item: The radio station manager will go to the financial aid director Cindy Small to find out if this is possible.

Radio Station Plaque

LISENBY PLAQUE: TO BE COMPLETED SPRING 2020

KNMC office

The KNMC office space was taken by the Little River Institute with the understanding that when the space was remodeled it would include a room for a new office with a sound booth. The office was temporarily moved to a space generously provided by the Food Services manager. The remodel is complete and there is no new office space for the station.

Action Item: The CIO will follow up with SUB building coordinator.

Events

KNMC Rock Lotto event held as part of Havre's Festival Days was a resounding success.

TRIBUTE: Tentatively scheduled for May 2nd

Next meeting: January 24th 2020

Meeting adjourned.