



PARTIAL WJFF Radio Catskill Board of Trustees

Part 2 Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2025 at 7:00pm

Meeting Location: WJFF Liberty, 2758 Rt. 52, Liberty, NY

Approved on: 8/11/2025

Board Members Present: Don Almquist, Jeff Barnes, Amy Brightfield, Katie Childs, Barb Demarest, Jill Fruchter, Brett Hogencamp, Leif Johansen (remote), Tanya Kalivas, Pete Madden, Ilya Marritz, Elizabeth Hope Williams (remote)

Board Members Absent: Dale Blagrove, Matthew Goldman

Staff Present: Tim Bruno, Mimi Bradley

Members of the Public Present: Sally Stuart

Jeff Barnes presided over the meeting until a new slate of officers was elected. A quorum being present, he called the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

Members of the WJFF Board of Trustees 2025 - 2026

Jeff led the board in the oath to swear in all the members of the 2025 – 2026 Board of Trustees.

"I solemnly affirm that as a Trustee of Radio Catskill I will support the mission of the station, follow and uphold its policies and procedures, and all applicable laws and regulations, and will faithfully discharge my fiduciary duties as Trustee to the best of my abilities."

Nomination and Election of Officers

Jeff presided over nominations for the election of the Officers of the Board:

Peter Madden for President

Leif Johansen for Co-Vice President

Jill Fruchter for Co-Vice President

Amy Brightfield for Co-Vice President

Katie Childs for Treasure

Don Almquist for Secretary

Jeff also invited others to put themselves forward for election as an officer or to nominate others. There were no further nominations.

Each candidate introduced themselves and described their involvement in the station

MOTION to approve the slate of officers (Jeff Barnes /Brett Hogencamp)

In Favor: Don Almquist, Jeff Barnes, Amy Brightfield, Katie Childs, Barb Demarest, Jill Fruchter, Brett Hogencamp, Leif Johansen (remote), Tanya Kalivas, Pete Madden, Ilya Marritz, Elizabeth Hope Williams (remote)

Board Members Absent: Dale Blagrove, Matthew Goldman

Abstained: None

Opposed: None

Acting as President, Pete Madden officially called to order the 2025-2026 term of the WJFF Board of Trustees at 7:13pm

Conflict of Interest Statements

All members of the Board are required to sign "Conflict of Interest" statements. Members attending in person completed the form and those attending remotely were asked to complete the form, scan it and submit them to Tim Bruno, General Manager.

Committee assignments, Board meeting dates and plans for Orientation and Board Training

Pete distributed proposed committee assignments and members to contact him to discuss any concerns or preferences they might have. Next month he will send out a memo on committee goals and priorities for the coming Board Term.

There will be a new Board Member Orientation in the coming weeks, during this term we will plan how we want to approach developing our next strategic plan, and we will seek to be engaged, efficient, transparent, and to represent and promote the station in the community.

2025-2026 Board Term administrative tasks

Check Signing Authority

MOTION Authorize members of the 2025 - 2026 Executive Committee: Peter Madden - President, Leif Johansen - Co-Vice President, Jill Fruchter - Co-Vice President, Amy Brightfield - Co-Vice President, Katie Childs - Treasure, Don Almquist - Secretary as well as Tim Bruno, *General Manager* as signatories on our accounts at Jeff Bank, Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan, and Wayne County Community Foundation with the proviso that in accordance with station policy, checks with a value greater than \$1,000.00 written for expenditures outside of the approved budget require the approval of an officer of the corporation, and checks made out to staff members or trustees cannot be signed by the recipient. (Barb Demarest/Tanya Kalivas)

In Favor: Don Almquist, Jeff Barnes, Amy Brightfield, Katie Childs, Barb Demarest, Jill Fruchter, Brett Hogencamp, Leif Johansen (remote), Tanya Kalivas, Pete Madden, Ilya Marritz, Elizabeth Hope Williams (remote)

Board Members Absent: Dale Blagrove, Matthew Goldman

Abstained: None

Opposed: None

MOTION To approve the portion of these minutes regarding approval of signatories (Katie Childs /Barb Demarest)

In Favor: Don Almquist, Jeff Barnes, Amy Brightfield, Katie Childs, Barb Demarest, Jill Fruchter, Brett Hogencamp, Leif Johansen (remote), Tanya Kalivas, Pete Madden, Ilya Marritz, Elizabeth Hope Williams (remote)

Board Members Absent: Dale Blagrove, Matthew Goldman

Abstained: None

Opposed: None

Submitted by Amy Brightfield