

**MILFORD GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION COMMITTEE (MGAT)
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 28, 2017**

The Milford Government Access Television Committee (MGAT) held its Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 in the Board of Education meeting room in the Parsons Complex. Chairwoman Flannery called the meeting to order at 7:49 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Committee Members Present

Kara Flannery
Barbara Genovese
Chris Hiza
Ryan McConnell

Also Present

Arney Rogoff , Line Producer

Excused

Jill Reis

II. Re-consideration of Minutes of September 27, 2016, October 25, 2016 and November 22, 2016; and

Re-consideration of the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on January 5, 2017.

Consideration of Minutes of January 24, 2017 meeting.

Ms. Genovese and Mr. Hiza made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion carried with one abstention (McConnell).

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Ms. Genovese and Mr. Hiza made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion carried with one abstention (McConnell).

Ms. Genovese and Ms. Flannery made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion carried with two abstentions (Hiza, McConnell).

III. Public Comment - None.

IV. Treasurer's Report - Ms. Genovese reported the balances in each of the following accounts:

Cablevision \$39.44

City \$0
GATA Grant 25,331.16

Discussion ensued regarding the donations account. Ms. Genovese stated she would check on the balance on this account. Discussion resumed.

V. Line Producer's Report

Mr. Rogoff distributed his report. He continued with an explanation of the meetings covered during the months of January and February. He also reported MGAT now has a volunteer to record meetings for volunteer hours and thanked the Chairman for putting this into place.

VI. Chairman's Report

Chairwoman Flannery reported she had several meetings over the last few months, one of which was with Jerry Spino from Fairfield regarding equipment. She explained one of the recommendations that came from Mr. Spino, was to switch to tri casting. She stated there are several options with, therefore prices vary. She stated he also recommended a data line, which could save money.

Mr. Hiza asked about set-up studios.

Chairwoman Flannery stated the tri casters are portable. She reported she met with Jim Page from Valley Communications, adding they do a lot of communications with schools throughout the state, including the Milford School District. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Hiza asked about the \$13,000 for the file server or if the tri caster is an alternative.

Chairwoman stated that was the idea.

Ms. Genovese thanked Chairman Flannery for the hard work and applauded her efforts in continuing to look for savings for MGAT.

Chairman Flannery also reported she attended the Board of Finance budget on February 27, 2016 to present MGAT's budget for FY 17-18.

VII. Unfinished Business

- a) **Update: GATA Grant** – update included in the Chairman's report.
- b) **Update: Studio Upgrades** – included in Chairman's Report.

VIII. Executive Session

a) Discussion RE: line producer's monthly compensation for March 2017 through June 2017.

Chairman Flannery stated she would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session.

Mr. McConnell and Ms. Genovese made and seconded a motion to adjourn to Executive Session.

Chairman Flannery stated the full Board would enter Executive Session, along with Arney Rogoff.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.

Mr. McConnell and Mr. Hiza made and seconded a motion to come out of Executive Session Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Flannery reconvened the Board in public session at 9:43 p.m.

IX. New Business

a) Consideration and vote Re: line producer's monthly compensation for March 2017 through June 2017.

Mr. McConnell and Mr. Hiza made and seconded a motion to approve Consideration of the Line Producer's Monthly Compensation in the amount of \$2,300 from March 2017 through June 2017, upon executed agreement of the parties. contingent upon delivering the recordings of 29 meetings, knowing in advance the line producer is not available for possibly five (5) meetings, thereby deducting \$275 per meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

X. Adjournment

Being no further business to discuss, Ms. Genovese and Mr. Hiza made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen A. Kennedy
Recording Secretary