



GREATER WEST BLOOMFIELD CABLE COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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June 3, 2024 (JOINT MEETING)

The Commission and its Commission Operations and Strategic Planning Committee met jointly at 6:30PM on June 3 at Green Media Center. In attendance were Pat Riney, the vice-chairperson, Jennifer Taylor Boykins, Ronnie Dahl, Anne Dziuba, and Deborah Macon. Also in attendance were Commissioners Harvey Gersin and Joel Ross, Civic Center TV/Lakes FM General Manager Dave Scott, and Commission Executive Director Dave Albery. Not in attendance were Commissioners Dorf, Kowalsky, Levine, and Phil Ross.

Ms. Boykins stated that she and Mr. Kowalsky had a good meeting in mid-April with Sonja James, West Bloomfield Schools Executive Director for Educational Equity and Inclusion. It was the consensus of committee members that Ms. Boykins invite Ms. James to make a presentation to the Commission at a future meeting.

Discussion of Sunshine Week focused on whether it is one week in March or a philosophy of governance in furtherance of the Commission's belief statements, how the Commission's strategic plan drives committee and Commission agendas, and how the Commission speaks regarding what it does. It was the consensus of members that Civic Center TV programming should focus on open and transparent government as evidenced by the four communities, the seven Greater West Bloomfield school districts, WB Parks, the Library, and Oakland County.

Mr. Albery reviewed documents regarding the creation of select committees by the Commission, the provisions of the Commission's bylaw, and Roberts Rules of Order. He stated that he had posed the question of legal and/or parliamentary review of the issues involved to Nancy Cooper Green of Secrest, Wardle, and had received the impression that such a review would be complicated and costly. Discussion focused on refining the list of tasks to be accomplished by select committees in order that they would not duplicate the responsibilities of standing committees and review of the Commission's programming and governance models, including the role of the Executive Committee.

Discussion of the Commission's contracted services focused on recreating the agreements without reference to past provisions, the 2013 Request for Proposals to Provide Programming Services, the need to revise the Commission's governance model before issuing the RFP, guidance from the four communities regarding RFP models and ordinance requirements, and the Commission's programming model and how it includes public, educational, and government access.

Mrs. Macon asked, "who are we?", "who do we wish to serve?", and "how do we do it?"