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ABMI Annual Membership Meeting Tuesday, May 7



All Members Invited to Vote on Board Seats

It's that time of year again! Every May at Access Bellingham-Mendon, Inc. (ABMI-TV) the entire membership of the station is called upon to cast votes for whatever board seats may be up for election. Following the board and officer elections there is a regular board meeting where members can voice any issues of concern or interest.

The current board is comprised of President Jereme Cooper (Bellingham), Vice-President Kevin Grupposo (Bellingham), Treasurer Bob Carlson (Mendon), Secretary Earl Pearlman (Mendon), Tracy Aicardi (Bellingham), and Brian Sutherland (Bellingham).

Board seats carry a three-year term. The seats up for election this year are Pearlman's seat from Mendon and a seat from Bellingham that was recently vacated.

The meeting takes place at 6:15 p.m. at the studio at 10 William Way, Bellingham.



ABMI Board of Directors Vote to Approve Purchase of New Final Cut X Edit System

The Board of Directors unanimously voted at their March 5 meeting to approve a motion for the outlay of \$3,000 to purchase a new Final Cut X nonlinear editing system and iMac computer.

Station Manager Patrick Fleming said the system will be similar to the Final Cut system currently in use at the studio.

Fleming said he moved the old G5 computer to the other edit suite because its video card is faulty.

In other business, the board voted unanimously to accept Lynda Glassey of Bellingham as an ABMI member. Glassey told the board she wants to publicize her fitness business. Glassey also plans to appear as a guest on *Strictly Business*.

Board President Jereme Cooper asked Fleming whether the station insurance was "all set." Fleming replied that it was "done."

Cooper asked, "What is a passive switcher?" Fleming said it is a unit that doesn't plug in.

Board Member Brian Sutherland asked whether wiring had been replaced on the heating system in addition to the fuse. Fleming said it was only the fuse.

Fleming reported that the Verizon check arrived and the total was higher than expected. "We are cash heavy right now," Fleming said.

Fleming reported that he is working on getting the energy efficiency money from National Grid.

Fleming said that he attended



the recent meeting of the MetroWest Cable Forum at the new Milford TV studio. He said the studio is "beautiful."

Cooper asked Publicity Director Steve Saraceno about the Bellingham Library website. Saraceno said ABMI is listed there as one of the organizations looking for volunteers.

Sutherland said it was interesting that Milford TV makes it a point to have an extra level of separation from volunteer productions. Saraceno said that ABMI relies on the standard disclaimer in the credits of each show.

Sutherland said it was good to see that Saraceno is taking a course in InDesign at Keefe Tech.

Fleming commended Production Coordinator Erik Fischer for coming in to work the day after he broke his leg in two places. A shoot was scheduled and Fischer showed up right on time.

Cooper asked what Continuing-Education class Fischer should take. Fleming said they will discuss it.

In old business, Board Secretary Earl Pearlman submitted his report on the scholarship criteria.

Pearlman made a motion that ABMI accept the new modification of requirements for the scholarship application, including \$1,000 scholarships for both Mendon and Bellingham, but only if qualified applicants are available.

Board Member Tracy Aicardi seconded. The motion passed unanimously.



REGULAR SHOWS

ABMI PUBLIC CHANNEL

MONDAY

3pm & 7pm Talent Call USA

Noon & 8pm
Physician Focus

9pm - Mendon Board
of Selectmen

TUESDAY

12:30pm & 6:30pm - Vic-
tory Assembly of God

3pm & 8pm - 30 Odd
Minutes [8pm LIVE!]

WEDNESDAY

1pm & 7pm - In
the Spotlight

4pm & 8pm
The Garage

THURSDAY

1pm & 7pm
Strictly Business

10pm
Mendon School Committee

FRIDAY-SUNDAY

11am & 5pm - Some-
thing Special

Noon & 6:30pm - Real
Estate Roundtable

10pm - The Dun-
geon of Dr. Dreck

*check our website
for complete daily listings*

ABMI BELLINGHAM CHANNELS

Public Channel Verizon47

Public Channel Comcast 8

Education Channel Verizon 43

Education Channel Comcast 98

Government Channel Verizon 45

Government Channel Comcast 11

Green Screens Bring Spring to ABMI Studio!

Real Estate Roundtable host Mike Shain (far right) chats with Josh Lioce (far left), Leo Fantini, and Judy Leonelli during a taping at the ABMI studio on April 18.

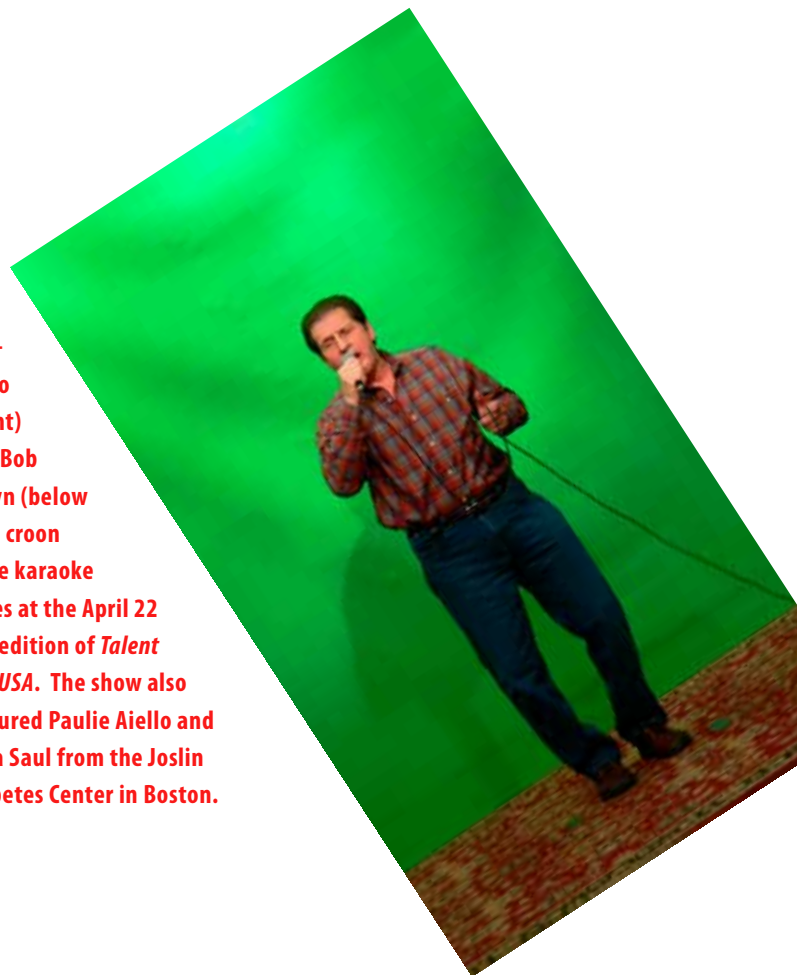


On April 22 Nora Saul came down from the Joslin Diabetes Center in Boston to deliver some information on Type I, II, and III diabetes during a live taping of *Talent Call USA* with host Ed Gidney.

BHS Hawk News crew Ethan Beauchesne (left) and Anthony Manganiello visited the studio recently for a green screen session.



Bob Bonfiglio (right) and Bob Brown (below left) croon some karaoke tunes at the April 22 live edition of *Talent Call USA*. The show also featured Paulie Aiello and Nora Saul from the Joslin Diabetes Center in Boston.





ABMI Scholarships

Time is running out to apply for the \$1000 ABMI Scholarships. Applications must be postmarked or delivered to the ABMI studio by Wednesday, May 15. Applicants must show a demonstrated interest in Mass Communications. Those eligible must reside in either Bellingham or Mendon. For more information, contact Publicity Director Steve Saraceno or Station Manager Patrick Fleming at 508-966-3234.

ABMI MENDON

PUBLIC CHANNEL COMCAST 8

PUBLIC CHANNEL VERIZON 47

EDUCATION CHANNEL COMCAST 98

EDUCATION CHANNEL VERIZON 42

GOVERNMENT CHANNEL COMCAST 11

GOVERNMENT CHANNEL VERIZON 41



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*Next Meeting
Tues. May 7, 2013
6:15 p.m.*

directions to studio

Seven things to know about ABMI

1. You can post free notices for your non-profit organization or activity on our video bulletin board. Best way is to email us at abmi8@comcast.net. You can also phone at 508-966-3234. Or send a fax at 508-966-2321.
2. All our public channel cablecasts stream live at the same time from our website at abmi8.org. Taped public meetings and special events are also available for viewing in the Archive section at our site.
3. DVD copies of ABMI shows are available for \$15.75 per copy. We have shows going back as far as 1985, so if there's a blast from the past you'd like to see again, call us at 508-966-3234.
4. ABMI encourages interested volunteers. Our staff is available to teach basic camera technique and non-linear editing on a one-to-one basis.
5. Station Manager Patrick Fleming, Publicity Director Steve Saraceno, and Production Coordinator Erik Fischer are generally available weekdays by calling 508-966-3234.
6. The ABMI public channel is Channel 8 for Comcast subscribers and Channel 47 for Verizon folks.
7. Live town meetings generally run on the town government channels.



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