

Rick Weaver Statement of Candidacy for Member Representative to WDIY Board of Directors

I am interested in the position of Member Representative to the WDIY Board of Directors at this time because I believe that I have the experience, skills, passion and now the time to make a positive contribution to WDIY and its Board of Directors.



A long-time supporter of WDIY and the LVCBA since the LVCBA's inception in 1983, I served as a programmer, genre coordinator, Board Secretary, Vice President and President of the LVCBA prior to our application for an FCC license. After our application, I rejoined the Board, serving on the Executive Committee as Vice President, where I was involved in negotiations with competing applicants.

Tasked with locating an appropriate site for the station, I then oversaw presentations of architectural plans for site renovations and selection of contractors and the resultant build out. I also solicited donated supplies and worked to organize volunteer work crews to lay carpets, wall coverings and painting. I was also involved in interviewing and hiring our initial staff.

I was one of the programmers who was on air during our live debut and have continued as an on-air programmer since then, first as a host of the "Drive Time" (which evolved into the Blend), and then as host of Celtic Faire to the present.

I went off the Board a couple years later, but became involved when we were in danger of losing our station to WLVT, rejoining the board for a few years until stability had been returned.

Other community involvement includes serving the Celtic Classic as a volunteer, Program Committee member and currently as a member of the Cultural Outreach Committee. I also have served as a volunteer at Godfrey Daniels, and have served as the Clerk of the Vestry at Trinity Episcopal Church for the past four years. Additionally, I am a member of Piper's Request, a traditional Irish/Celtic band that has performed in the area over the past 10 years.

I am interested in rejoining the Board in this capacity as I am currently semi-retired and am now able to devote the time to this venture that I believe it requires.

I feel that our volunteers and members are a valuable resource to WDIY, and as we grow and evolve as a station and community partner, we will need an engaged membership and active volunteers to achieve our full potential. Because I have served WDIY as a board member, programmer and volunteer, I am uniquely qualified to serve in this position and look forward to working with the board, staff and volunteers to help WDIY achieve its full potential.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Rick Weaver