Open Airwaves Policy

The KFSK Board of Directors resolves that it is a function of KFSK to encourage the on-air public expression of personal opinions, ideas and creative works. KFSK will air materials submitted by the public in order to amplify a variety of voices and viewpoints.

Submissions will not be anonymous, at least one author must be identified. The content must be a personal viewpoint with a time limit of 5 minutes for each submission, and the frequency of submissions on a particular subject matter shall not be excessive.

A single identifiable photo may accompany the commentary on the website - if no photo is submitted a default will be used. Submitted photos must meet the resolution and size requirements of the KFSK web page and be owned by the commenter.

The principal medium will be an audio file. A transcript matching the audio may be included and will be archived on the station's website. Links to 3rd-party sources will not be supported.

Personal attacks, allegations of criminal misconduct or other negative assertions against the character, behavior or reputation of an identifiable individual(s) will not be broadcast.

The criticism of a public figure is allowable material if the criticism is based on the official actions of that public official – those targeted public figures will be notified of the commentary prior to broadcast.

The Station Manager has the discretion of airing and placement of material submitted by the public. If the Manager believes material is not suitable for broadcast, the Manager and the material's author may request a meeting with

the KFSK Board of Directors and reach a final decision at the earliest possible date.

Staff Guidelines for Publicly Produced Radio Pieces

The following disclaimer will be aired prior to and following the broadcast of personal opinions: KFSK HAS AN OPEN AIRWAVES POLICY. WE ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC TO EXPRESS PERSONAL OPINIONS, IDEAS AND CREATIVE WORKS. THESE PIECES ARE *ARCHIVED* ON OUR WEBSITE, kfsk.org, FOLLOWING THE SCHEDULED RADIO BROADCAST.

KFSK staff will work with members of the public to help produce professional quality work.

Material will be aired up to 3 times, during or adjacent to local newscasts.

Audio and transcripts will be placed on the station's web site following on-air broadcast and archived for public access.

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