Minutes for the WBAI Local Station Board Monthly Meeting in public session on November 10, 2021

Meeting convened at 7:07 PM EST a quorum being present, the Chair being present. All times for these minutes are approximate.


Final Agenda (adopted at 7:15 PM EST):

**Agenda**

**WBAI Local Station Board (“LSB”)**

7:00 PM, Wednesday, November 10, 2021

Meeting Remote Participation Meeting Via Zoom

The 11th WBAI Local Station Board is having the last meeting before new board members are seated on December 8th. There will not be a Delegate Assembly at this meeting.

Agenda

WBAI Local Station Board (LSB)

7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 10, 2021 Meeting

Remote Participation Meeting Via Zoom

1. Convene meeting.

2. Adopt Agenda. (20 minutes)

3. Roll Call. (5 minutes)

4. Excuse absences. (5 minutes).

5. Announcement of the Chair (1 minute)

6. Approve outstanding minutes: September 8, 2021 and October 13, 2021 (5 minutes)

7. Chair’s Update About Pacifica’s Executive Director’s Response to Management Evaluation Report and Recommendations. (1 Minute)
8. Thanks and Acknowledgment To Departing LSB Members, Review of Work of 11th LSB and Delegates Assembly Announcement (Chair’s remarks 2 minutes)

9. Report from Pacifica National Board Directors (5 minutes) — Alex Steinberg, Ralph Poynter, Shawn Rhodes, James Sagurton

10. Report from Community Advisory Board — (2 Minutes) — Neale Voss

11. Report of LSB Committee of Inclusion. (2 minutes) — William Heerwagen

12. Report of Program Director Search Committee & Scheduling Executive Session. (5 minutes) — Shawn Rhodes

13. Treasurer’s Report. — (5 Minutes report 5 minutes discussion) — R. Paul Martin

14. General Manager’s Report- (15 minutes for report & 15 minutes for discussion) — Berthold Reimers

15. Programming Updates. (5 minutes for report & 5 minutes Q&A) — Linda Perry

16. Discussion: Possible Creation of Ad Hoc Programming Advisory Committee as Sounding Board For Program Director, Liaison With PD For LSB and For Efficiency For Those LSB Members Communicating With PD — Michael D. D. White (10 Minutes)

17. Discussion: Improving WBAI and Pacifica Reputation and Brand. (10 minutes)

18. Discussion: Increasing Popularity and Calls For Censorship to Be Exercised By Government and/or Big Tech (15 minutes) — Michael D. D. White

19. Public Comment. (30 minutes, 2 minutes maximum per speaker before next in queue to speak. Must always begin no later than 9:15 PM ET.)

20. Unfinished Business. (5 minutes)


22. Adjourn no later than 9:45 PM. (ET)
Motion: (Michael D.D. White) “To adopt the agenda” 7:10 PM EST

The LSB discussed the motion.

Motion: (Mitchell Cohen) “To strike “(especially amongst Democrats)” from agenda item 16” 7:12PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (Charlotte Albrecht) “To move agenda item 16 to item 18” 7:13PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (Michael DD White) “To shorten the agenda time for item 8 to two minutes” 7:15PM EST –this item was shortened without objection

The agenda was then adopted

Roll Call 7:16 PM EST

Motion: (Michael D.D. White) “To excuse all absences” 7:23 PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (Michael DD White) “To approve the minutes of the September 8, 2021 ” 7:25 PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (Michael DD White) “To approve the minutes of the October 13, 2021 LSB meetings with correction of spelling error” 7:26 PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (John Brinkley) “To extend discussion of agenda item 8 by two minutes” 7:32 PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (John Brinkley) “To further extend discussion by five minutes” 7:35 PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (Mitchell Cohen) “that the current delegates meet in a delegates assembly prior to the new LSB being seated” 7:36PM EST

The LSB discussed the motion

Point of Order: (R. Paul Martin) “that the motion is out of order” 7:41PM EST

Chair rules that the motion remain on the floor 7:43PM EST
Motion: (Jack De Palma) “To extend discussion by two minutes” 7:44 PM EST (passed without objection)

Amendment: (James Sagurton) “To extend discussion by five minutes” 7:44 PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion (re-stated): (Mitchell Cohen) “authorizing the current LSB to call a delegates assembly before seating the next (new) LSB” 7:46PM EST (passes 10 for, 3 no, 4 abstention)

Report from Pacifica National Board of Directors 7:48PM EST

Discussion of KPFK finances, upcoming by-laws amendments and budgets across the various Pacifica units and chart of accounts

Motion: (Jack De Palma) “To extend discussion by five minutes” 7:54 PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (Marilyn Vogt Downey) “To extend discussion by two minutes to answer questions” 8:00 PM EST (passed without objection)

Motion: (John Brinkley) “To extend discussion by one minute” 8:03 PM EST (passed without objection)

Report from CAB (Neale Voss) 8:05PM EST

Discussion included changes to CAB by-laws:

- a person becomes a new CAB member when they attend three out of four consecutive CAB meetings
- The CAB will attempt to have meetings once a month and be open to the general public

Motion: (James Sagurton) “To extend discussion by one minute” 8:08 PM EST (passed without objection)

Report from Committee of Inclusion (William Heerwagen): No quorum for last meeting, next meeting scheduled for November 22, 2021 8:09 PM EST

Report on Program Director search and discussion about setting an Executive Session to discuss further (Shawn Rhodes) 8:10PM EST

Motion: (Jack De Palma) “To extend discussion by five minutes” 8:24 PM EST (passed without objection)
Motion: (Michael DD White) “to schedule an exec session November 29, 2021 from 7:00PM thru 9:00PM to discuss PD search committee report and information and recommendations members of search committee to attend as well” 8:00 PM EST (passed without objection)

Treasurer’s Report (R. Paul Martin) 8:26 PM EST
--written report has been posted

General Manager’s Report (Berthold Reimers) 8:35 PM EST
--report on premiums (donations) by show
--status on grant writer
--fundraising efforts are discussed

Listener Comments 9:15 PM EST

Carolyn adjourned the meeting at 9:48 PM EST (passed without objection)

Adjourned 9:48 PM EST
Submitted by John Hoffman, Secretary