

Minutes for the regular National Finance Committee meeting July 6, 2010.

Meeting convened at 8:40 PM (ET) a quorum being present, the Chair and Secretary being present.

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Attending: Alonzo Brown, Mike Jones, Alberto Luera, R. Paul Martin, Summer Reece, Alex Steinberg, John Wenger, Lavarn Williams, Bruce Wolf, Director of the Pacifica Radio Archives Brian DeShazor also participated in the meeting.

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Agenda:

1. PRA budget
  2. PNB meeting discussion
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Motion: (Summer Reece) "To approve the agenda." (Passed without objection)

PRA budget 8:47 PM (ET)

The committee discussed the proposed FY11 budget for the Pacifica Radio Archives (PRA) with its director Brian DeShazor. Mr. DeShazor said that this year is the best opportunity to get the archives digitized and preserved. He said that the PRA is keeping its head above water, but that we need to do more than that or tapes may be lost. He said that PRA needs to be part of the American Archives organization. He explained that the CPB had initiated the American Archives to preserve the legacy of public broadcasting. Mr. DeShazor is now on the board of the American Archives.

Year to date listener support for PRA was \$166,000, which was better than last year. The two days of pitching per year on each station for the PRA was discussed. The fact that some stations are not paying their central services fees, which cuts into the PRA income, was also discussed.

Mr. DeShazor discussed some future plans for PRA.

PNB meeting discussion 9:53 PM (ET)

CFO Lavarn Williams said that for FY 11 the PNB needed to get its meetings back on schedule. She said that at some point a motion would probably come forth regarding the schedule of PNB meetings in the future, and that one meeting per year might be eliminated. She said that we needed to project beyond one year's cash flow.

It was suggested that seasonal weather conditions be taken into account for some PNB meeting locations.

The issue of two stations, WBAI and WPFW, needing to move by the end of 2012, was brought up. It was noted that Pacifica needs to plan for the next two years or else it will be very hard to deal with the combined expenses of what could possibly be two nearly simultaneous moves in expensive metropolitan areas. Moving options were discussed.

The Chair asked the Secretary to give notice on KPFTX.ORG that there would be an executive session at the next NFC meeting. This was done.

Motion: (R. Paul Martin) "To adjourn." (Passed without objection)

Adjourned 10:32 PM (ET)

Submitted by R. Paul Martin, Secretary