Minutes for the regular National Finance Committee meeting November 27, 2012.

Meeting convened at 8:37 PM (ET) a quorum being present, the Chair and Secretary being present.


Agenda:

1. Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda
3. Approve Pending Minutes
4. Bonding Research
5. Event Coordination/Documentation Motion
6. Non-Operational Grants and Donations

Motion: (R. Paul Martin) "To approve the agenda" (Passed without objection)

Approve Pending Minutes 8:47 PM (ET)

Motion: (Kim Kaufman) "To approve the minutes of the September 10, 2012, meeting." (Passed without objection)

Motion: (R. Paul Martin) "To approve the minutes of the November 13, 2012, meeting" (Passed without objection)

Bonding Research 8:49 PM (ET)

The Chair told the committee that the PNB had passed a motion that requires the NFC to look into the fiscal impact of bonding at least certain Pacifica employees. The research so far shows that it will cost about $700 annually to bond each individual. The committee discussed who would be bonded. It was decided that s working group would be formed to produce a short report that would be the financial impact statement for the PNB. Those volunteering for this working group were Kim Kaufman, Ken Aaron and Jim Boyd. The Chair asked that they send a copy of what they send to the PNB to the NFC.

Event Coordination/Documentation Motion 8:59 PM (ET)

Motion: (Ken Aaron) " Monitoring of Public Events

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2. A post-event checklist shall be completed and presented to the LSB Treasurer and Chair and National Management no later than 30 business days after the event ends. This checklist shall include a reconciliation of funds received or disbursed, all items sold, gifted or lost, and tickets sold or gifted.

3. Nothing in this protocol requires LSB or National Management approval for events. The LSB at the station and the National Management are expected to monitor event activity and exercise their authority to guarantee fiscal prudence.

4. This protocol applies to any events requiring an expenditure or obligation of $500 or more. This protocol will also apply to a series of events scheduled over a period of time. This protocol will also apply to a series of events scheduled over a period of time.

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6. The attached checklists may be amended from time to time by the National Management.

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Main Talent:
Nature of Event:

Date(s) & Time(s):

Venue(s):

Person in charge of Event:

Station person liaison / in charge

Anticipated Total Net Income:

Full cost exposure:

Anticipated attendance:

Backup if talent doesn’t show:

Please attach a full budget including all expenses, Paid Staff hours required, insurance costs, and premiums being sold.

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Number of new member or renewal signups.

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The committee debated the motion.

Amendment: "On both pre and post checklist, item two of the motion, replace , 'premiums being sold,' by 'all items sold, gifted or lost.'" (passed 7 for, 0 against)

Amendment: (Tracy Rosenberg) "To change the first sentence of '4' to, 'This protocol applies to any events requiring an expenditure or obligation of $2,500 or more, subject to adjustment by National Management.'" (passed 5 for, 1 against, 1 abstention)

Amendment: (Kim Kaufman) "To make the amount $1,500." (Fails 1for, 4 against, 2 abstentions)

Amendment: "To add after '$2,500 or more,' at the end of the first sentence of '4,' 'and/or requiring at least 40 hours or more of Paid Staff time, threshold amount and hours subject to adjustment by National Management.'" (Passed without objection)

Amendment: "To replace 'National Office' with 'National Management' throughout motion.
Add 'Treasurer and Chair' after 'A post-event checklist shall be completed and presented to the LSB' in 2 on page 1, and on pre-event checklist on page 2 in the second sentence, and on post event checklist page 3 in the second sentence.
Add in pre-event checklist on page 2 and post-event checklist on page 3 the word 'Paid' before 'staff hours'" (Passed without objection)

Motion as amended: " Monitoring of Public Events

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Print: __________________________ Sign: ____________________________ Date: __________ " (passed as amended 6 for, 1 against)
The committee adjourned to executive session 10:42 PM (ET)
Submitted by R. Paul Martin, Secretary.