Minutes of the KPFK Local Station Board Meeting of 01/07/06

A regular meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Saturday, January 7, 2006 at the Echo Park United Methodist Church, 1226 Alvarado Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026, the Chair being in the chair and the Secretary being present. No minutes were approved.

Twenty-two members were present constituting a quorum: Grace Aaron, Sara Amir (leaves at 12:30pm), Rodrigo Argueta (leaves at 12:30pm), Lydia Brazon (arrives at 10:48am), Marie Deary (arrives at 11:20am), Israel Feuer, Bill Gallegos, Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman, Terry Goodman, Kimberly King (arrives at 10:55am), Sonali Kolhatkar, Arturo Lemus (leaves at 1:00pm), Alan Minsky (arrives at 10:53am), Ed Pearl, Reza Pour, Margaret Prescod (leaves at 2:03pm), Julie Rodriguez (arrives at 10:53am), Madeleine Schwab, Donna Warren, Don White and Lamont Yeakey.

Also present: Treasurer Casey McFall and Secretary Carol Nealy.

Two members were excused, having requested excuses prior to the meeting: Dave Adelson and Maria Armoudian.

Authority and Notice: This meeting was authorized by the LSB on December 17, 2005. Notice was posted on the KPFK web site beginning on January 2, 2006. (See Appendix A.) Announcements were broadcast beginning 7 days before the meeting, pursuant to the schedule recommended in the Foundation Bylaws.

AGENDA ITEM I. CALL TO ORDER, CALL OF THE ROLL, WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA, APPROVAL OF MINUTES, MOTION FOR EXCUSED ABSENCES

The meeting was called to order at 11:36am. The proposed agenda was amended and approved. (See Appendix B.) The absences of Dave Adelson and Maria Armoudian were excused without objection.

II: COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR


[A] GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE - 11:43am

Lydia Brazon gave a verbal report.

The Governance Committee moved (as amended) that the resolution on LSB membership on Advisory Committees previously adopted on February 5, 2005 be amended as follows:

1) That the words â€œThat the failure of a member of an Advisory Committee to attend three consecutive, unexcused meetings shall be removed as a committee memberâ€ be stricken and replaced with â€œThat an Advisory Committee member who has three, consecutive, unexcused absences shall be removed as a committee member.â€

2) That the words â€œFor the February 5, 2005 LSB meeting: However many LSB members sign up for a particular committee, that will be the committee size upon which a quorum is determined for the committeeâ€™s meeting prior to the March 17 LSB meetingâ€œ be stricken and replaced with â€œFor the February LSB meeting in LSB election years: However many LSB members sign up for a particular committee, that will be the committee size upon which a quorum is determined for the committeeâ€™s meeting prior to the March LSB meeting. That for the February LSB meeting in an off-election year, committees with a full complement of members shall continue as constituted, with the understanding that LSB members will have an opportunity to resign or change committee memberships. If action is necessary in order to maintain the balance between LSB and listener sponsor members, new listener sponsors will be added in accordance with the procedures adopted for listener sponsor members.â€

3) That the words â€œAt the March 17, 2005 LSB members may still be added to committees and that revised number of committee membership will be the basis for the quorum until the April 16 meeting which will be the final meeting to add new committee members. The composition of the LSB Advisory Committees as of April 16 will constitute the LSB Advisory Committee membership until the February, 2006 regularly scheduled LSB meetingâ€œ be stricken and replaced with â€œAt the March meeting in LSB election years, LSB members may still be added to committees and that revised number of committee membership will be the basis for the quorum until the April meeting which will be the final meeting to add new committee members. The composition of the LSB Advisory Committees as of the April meeting in an
LSB election year will constitute the LSB Advisory Committee membership until the February regularly scheduled LSB meeting of the subsequent year.

**Motion to amend passes:** Y:14, N:1, A:5

**Motion as amended passes:** Y:16, N:1, A:1 (2/3rd required)

The Governance Committee moved (as amended) that the resolution on non-LSB membership on Advisory Committees previously adopted on February 5, 2005 be amended as follows:

1) That the words "That each Advisory Committee of the KPFK Local Station Board shall be Sponsors having become subscribers or volunteers by February 5, 2005" be stricken and replaced with "That each Advisory Committee of the KPFK Local Station Board shall be Sponsors having become subscribers or volunteers by the regularly scheduled February LSB meeting."  
2) That the words "At the February 5, 2005 meeting of the LSB be stricken and replaced with the words "At the February meeting of an LSB election year."  
3) That after "The application period will end on April 1," the words "In an off-election year for the LSB, listener sponsor members of fully constituted committees shall have the opportunity continue to serve on a committee. In the event that adjustments in memberships are needed in order to fully populate a committee and achieve a balance between LSB members and listener sponsors, then the procedure defined for LSB election years will be followed" be inserted.  
4) That the words "At the April 16 meeting of the LSB, any non-LSB members of KPFK who has submitted their application by the deadline will be eligible for committee participation and voting rights. By April 16, when the Advisory Committee size is determined, non-LSB members of KPFK who have applied, shall be added to the committees up to the number of available seats (equal to, but not exceeding the number of LSB members)" be stricken and replaced with "At the April meeting of the LSB, any non-LSB members of KPFK who has submitted their application by the deadline will be eligible for committee participation and voting rights. By the April LSB meeting, when the Advisory Committee size is determined, non-LSB members of KPFK who have applied, shall be added to the committees up to the number of available seats (equal to, but not exceeding the number of LSB members)."  
5) That the words "The composition of the LSB Advisory Committees as of April 16 will constitute the LSB Advisory Committees membership until the February, 2006 regularly scheduled LSB meeting. For Advisory Committee meetings held between February 5 and April 16, non-LSB members of KPFK membership will be determined by random drawing of those in attendance at each meeting. Their membership is limited to that meeting alone and cannot exceed the number of LSB members on the committee in attendance." be stricken and replaced with "The composition of the LSB Advisory Committees as of the April LSB meeting will constitute the LSB Advisory Committees membership until the regularly scheduled LSB meeting in February of the subsequent year. For Advisory Committee meetings held between the February and April LSB meetings during off-election years, non-LSB members of KPFK membership will be determined by random drawing of those in attendance at each meeting. Their membership is limited to that meeting alone and cannot exceed the number of LSB members on the committee in attendance."  

**Motion to amend passes:** Y:14, N:1, A:5

An opportunity was provided for public comment, but there was none.

**Motion as amended passes:** Y:15, N:1, A:4 (2/3rd required)

[B] FINANCE/DEVELOPMENT 12:28pm  
Casey McFall gave a verbal report.  
Public Comment was heard.  

[C] PROGRAMMING OVERSIGHT 12:39pm  
Sherna Gluck gave a verbal report.  

[D] MANAGEMENT REVIEW & EVALUATION 12:40pm  
Sherna Gluck gave a verbal report.  

[E] Outreach Committee 12:41pm  
Reza Pour gave a verbal report.  

[F] ARTS COMMITTEE  
No report given.  

[G] COMMITTEE OF INCLUSION 12:45pm
Bill Gallegos confirmed that the Diversity training will be held Saturday, March 18, 2006 from 9:30am - 4:00pm.

IV. RESULTS OF ELECTION OF PNB DIRECTORS [2 minutes]
The Chair announced that Lydia Brazon, Don White and Dave Adelson were elected as KPFK Listener-Sponsor Representative Directors. Alan Minsky was elected as the KPFK Staff Representative Director.

V. REPORT BY THE GENERAL MANAGER 12:46pm
The General Manager's written report was distributed. See Appendix C

VI. PACIFIC NATIONAL BOARD/DIRECTORS' REPORT 12:46pm
Donna Warren gave a verbal report.
Julie Rodriguez gave a verbal report. The next PNB meeting is scheduled for January 27-29 in Washington D.C.
Alan Minsky gave a verbal report.

Motion: Sherna Gluck moved that the KPFK LSB PNB Directors introduce a motion at the next PNB conference call that states that the National Programming Policy Proposal not be considered until every local station board has had an adequate opportunity to review the Proposal.

Motion passes: Y:16, N:0, A:0

VII. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR 2006
Lydia Brazon gave a report regarding the feedback of scheduling future LSB meetings. The next KPFK LSB meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 25, 2006 at 10am, location to be announced.

VIII. REPORT ON THE IPC BY KIMBERLY KING
Kimberly King agreed to postpone her report until the next meeting.

IX. OLD BUSINESS 1:38pm
A) MOTION FROM PROC: RELATIONSHIP OF PROGRAM COUNCIL TO STATION MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE [15 MINUTES]
B) TOWN HALL MEETING - DON WHITE [2 MINUTES]

A) MOTION FROM PROC: RELATIONSHIP OF PROGRAM COUNCIL TO STATION MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

Motion: The Programming Oversight Committee moved that the resolution on the Relationship of a Program Council to Station Management and Governance adopted at the LSB meeting of 12/17/05 shall apply to the interim Program Council for the duration of its tenure.

Motion passes: Y:13, N:1, A:2

b) TOWN HALL MEETING 1:42pm
Don White gave a report on the status of preparations for the next Town Hall meeting.

X. NEW BUSINESS 1:44pm
A) Terry Goodman presented the following motion:

Whereas, The Foundation bylaws allow non-Delegates to serve in certain LSB officer positions,
And Whereas, Familiarity with all current LSB business may be necessary for the proper exercise of LSB officer responsibilities,
Resolved, That non-Delegate officers of the KPFK Local Station Board shall be invited to attend closed meetings of the LSB, unless the LSB by majority vote at or before a particular closed meeting decides otherwise.

Motion passes: Y:8, N:7, A:1

The meeting was adjourned at 2:06pm

Respectfully submitted,
Carol L. Nealy
Secretary, KPFK LSB
These minutes were approved on 2/25/06.

APPENDIX A - Authority and Notice
The KPFK Delegates will meet Saturday, Jan 7, 2006 at 10:30 a.m. at the Echo Park United Methodist Church, 1226 Alvarado Street, one long block north of the intersection of Alvarado and Sunset Blvd. A map to the church is available at www.mapquest.com by writing in the address and zip code 90026.
IMPORTANT NOTICE: All stakeholders should be aware that an election for Directors of the Pacifica National Foundation will be conducted at
A KPFK Local Station Board meeting will follow the meeting of the Delegates, and an LSB Executive Session will follow after the regular meeting.

Posting Refs:
http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1213&Itemid=100
http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=165346;article=38963
http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=203188;article=8274

APPENDIX B - Proposed Agenda
KPFK Delegates Meeting & KPFK LSB Meeting - Jan. 7, 2006
The Echo Park United Methodist Church
1226 Alvarado Street, Los Angeles, CA  90026

DELEGATES MEETING
I:     Call to Order, Call of the Roll, Welcome & Acknowledgements, Review and Approval of the Agenda, Approval of Minutes, Motion for Excused Absences  [8 Minutes]
II:    Comments By The Chair  [1 minute]
III.   Election of PNB Directors [40 minutes]
       a) Short statements by Candidates (or statements read for absent members).  Statements should be a maximum of 2 minutes long.  [20 minutes]
       b) Public Comment  [5 minutes]
       c) Election  [15 minutes including voting tutorial]
IV.   Adjournment  [3 minutes]

KPFK LSB MEETING
I:     Call to Order, Call of the Roll, Welcome & Acknowledgements, Review and Approval of the Agenda, Approval of Minutes, Motion for Excused Absences  [8 Minutes]
II:    Comments By The Chair  [1 minute]
III:   Committee Reports:  
       A] Governance  
       B] Finance/Development  
       D] Programming Oversight  
       E] Outreach  
       F] Arts Committee  
       G] Committee Of Inclusion  
       [All committees have 10 minutes as needed; some committee reports can be shorter = 45 minutes]
IV.     Results of Election of PNB Directors  [2 minutes]
V.     Report by the General Manager  [15 minutes]
VI.   Pacific National Board/Directors' Report  [15 minutes]
VII.  Schedule of Meetings for 2006  [10 minutes]
VIII. Report on the iPC by Kimberly King  [10 minutes]
IX.   Old Business:
       a) Motion from PrOC: Relationship of Program Council to Station Management and Governance  [15 minutes]
       b) Town Hall Meeting - Don White  [2 minutes]
X.    New Business  [10 minutes]
XI.   Public Comment  [10 minutes]
XII. Next Meeting/Adjournment  [3 minutes]
(Consistent with Board Policy the Chair will call for Public Comment at various points in the agenda.  Any unused portion of the 30 minutes assigned to Public Comment will be used in Agenda Item XII.)
There will be a 15 minute recess after the conclusion of the Regular LSB Meeting to facilitate public exit, then the LSB will reconvene in closed session for consideration of a personnel matter.

APPENDIX C - General Manager's Report
Local Station Board Report
KPFK Radio, Los Angeles
Eva Georgia, General Manager
December 2005
AFTRA Contract:
Ballots for the contract was mailed to all Union staff in late Dec' 05. The results were an overwhelming majority, voted in favor of the new 3-year contract. One major change in the contract is that KPFK will be paying for all health benefits since the AFTRA health care plan collapsed over a year ago leaving staff with the financial burden of paying their own health care. Over the last year, KPFK has reimbursed staff for those expenses. We are now in the process of changing, including all Union staff into the Pacifica Plan, which should be activated within the next 30 days. This will include KPFK paying for staff health, vision and dental benefits. This item was itemized and approved in the 2006 budget. In addition, a 4.5% increase was paid to all Union staff in December â€“ 05. The outstanding 0.5% will be paid once the contract is signed and an adjustment is made in the KPFK budget.

XLNC:
As you all know, XLNC started broadcasting in early 2000 causing KPFK interference from San Diego to Ventura. We have pursued every legal avenue with no resolve, including a listener campaign and my negotiations in 2004 that resulted in XLNC applying for a transfer of frequency. To date neither Mexico nor the FCC has responded to the request for a transfer. After more then three years the FCC in late Dec’ 05 finally granted a small window of opportunity allowing broadcasters to file a petition against the illegal interference of XLNC. I am currently working in collaboration with John Crigler, FCC Attorney and Don Mussel, Consulting Engineer in filing a petition against XLNC in the next couple of weeks, as well as conducting another independent engineering test showing XLNC broadcasting at illegal power wattage. We will also submit the letter writing listener campaign that we did in 2003/2004 resulting in an overwhelming response from our audience. The filing of this petition is the first positive response we have received from the FCC in over three years.

Malibu Booster:
Estimated cost is projected at 15K budgeted for 2006. Our Engineer for this project, Don Mussel is working in Hawaii and will return in the next few weeks to start the implementation on the booster. In the meantime, our biggest challenge is to secure a tower site for an antenna. The only available site is owned by Verizon. This is a cost that we are unable to estimate at this point. I will start negotiations with Verizon in the coming week.

Back-up Generators:
Studio Emergency Generator
- The generators will be installed in place of two old HVAC units.
- The electrician is prepared to do the installation by February 1st.
- The cost for the generator installation will be about $28,000.

Transmitter Emergency Generator
There are two possible scenarios, we are permitted to install our own generator, or we can upgrade the existing generator owned by KMZT and share it. Either scenario will take time to get everything and everybody up to speed for this project. The projected cost will be between $40,000 and $50,000.

Phone Upgrade:
First line of communication is through the receptionist. Transferring of calls have become more streamlined and the system overall is proving to be much more reliable.

Special Programming for December:
- World Aids Day
- Radio Poverty Series
- Poverty Radio-thon
- Special programming on Tookie Williams

Holiday Music Radio
- Specials (2) Christmas
- 3 year in review programs

Four special programs (live from Hong Kong) on World Trade Organization Meeting

Development:
Fall Fund Drive Update - Summary:
Pledged: $1,088,273.70
Web: $56,725 = 9491 Pledges made.
Fulfillment: Payment in from 7823 pledges paid or $876,400.59 as of 1/5/06
Major Donors: Since December 5, 2005 = $7500.
Major donor’s appointments being made for late Jan/early Feb. 2006.
Santa Barbara/Isla Vista Event: In planning stage for Feb. with KPFK hosting brunch or dinner at Friendship Manor in Isla Vista with select group of Santa Barbara donors arranged through major donor Art Schwartz, a resident. Brunch can handle 15 people and costs $3.50 per person.

Direct Mail:
September 15- to 32150 mailed; Total Income to date: $44,541.41. (No new figure available yet.)
End of Year Direct Mail:
Dropped in early December. No figure available yet.

Planned Giving:
Response to check-off on direct mail response slip being monitored.
? I am thinking about including KPFK in my Will or Estate Plan. I would like someone to call me with more information.
(We have received one response so far)

Planned Giving Brochure is in the works.

Car Donation: Total since active promotion of program: $13,022.80 ($4081 since last report)
Charitable Auto Resources, Inc. Successful, easy to implement program.
Special toll free # is (877) 573-5288 (877-KPFK-AUTO) and button on KPFK website.

Voices of Tomorrow:

Katrina Fund Recipients:
All required reports in from four organizations and are ready to be shared on-line at www.kpfk.org.

Proposals Pending:
California Council for Humanities. Stories of Katrina Survivors in California.
Submitted 12/1/05-. $50,000 (includes $25,000 KPFK in-kind services match)
Streisand Foundation pertaining to their focus on youth in L.A. for Sept. 1 round.

Proposals in Preparation:
CPB/IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services): Partnership for a Nation of Learners. Due March 1, 2006. Collaboration of KPFK with local museum and library. Preliminary discussions underway with California African American Museum and Latino Cultural Heritage Digital Archives at CSUN. Grant is $25,000-$250,000.

Media Sponsorships:
- KPFK participation in L.A. Times Festival of Books, April 29-30 underway. Asking for larger booth for live cast with authors.
- Discussion with Ford Amphitheatre underway for KPFK as summer season Radio Sponsor, May-October, 2006.
- Pan African Film Festival: Feb. 9-20. Multiple exposure ops for KPFK.