

Minutes of the KPFK Local Station Board Meeting of 08/12/06

A regular meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Saturday, August 12, 2006 at the UCLA Downtown Labor Center, 675 Park View Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057, the Chair being in the chair and the Secretary being present. Minutes of the meetings of July 5, 2006 were approved.

Thirteen members were present constituting a quorum: Grace Aaron, Dave Adelson, Lydia Brazon (leaves at 4:07pm), Israel Feuer, Sherna Gluck, Terry Goodman, Sonali Kolhatkar (leaves at 3:40pm), Arturo Lemus, Casey McFall, Alan Minsky, Madeleine Schwab, Harrison Weil and Lamont Yeakey.

Also present: Secretary Carol Nealy.

Nine members were excused having requested excuses prior to the meeting: Marie Deary, Bill Gallegos, Jan Goodman, Kimberly King, Reza Pour, Margaret Prescod, Julie Rodriguez, Fernando Velaquez and Don White

General Manager Eva Georgia was also **excused**.

Sara Amir and Rodrigo Argueta were **absent**.

Authority and Notice: This meeting was authorized by the LSB adoption of a regular meeting schedule at a special meeting on March 15, 2006. The annual schedule was subsequently posted on the KPFK web site. Specific notice was posted on the KPFK web site beginning on August 2, 2006 (See Appendix A). Announcements were broadcast beginning 7 days before the meeting, pursuant to the schedule recommended in the Foundation Bylaws.

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 2:11pm.

The Agenda was amended and **approved**. (See Appendix B)

Motion: Terry Goodman moved that the minutes of the July 5, 2006 meeting be approved.

Motion passes: Y:7, N:0, A:3.

Motion: Sherna Gluck moved that the following members be excused: Marie Deary, Bill Gallegos, Jan Goodman, Kimberly King, Reza Pour, Margaret Prescod, Julie Rodriguez, Fernando Velaquez and Don White (and General Manager Eva Georgia)

Motion passes: Y:11, N:1, A:0.

II. COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR 2:20pm None

III: MOTIONS PREVIOUSLY NOTICED BY TERRY GOODMAN 2:21pm

Motion on LSB Reports to Listeners (from Terry Goodman, with prior notice)

Whereas, At its meeting of February 25, 2006 the KPFK voted to ask management to "schedule two monthly LSB 'Reports to the Listener,' at various times, but within the same week of the month, one program in English and one in Spanish, containing the same information,"

And Whereas, This doubles the allocation of airtime recommended by management and the LSB Programming Oversight Committee and would necessitate the cancellation of a program scheduled on a different day than planned,

And Whereas, No source of funding for the proposed expedited translation was identified,

And Whereas, A motion to rescind the motion previously adopted failed to receive the required two-thirds majority vote on May 3, 2006, so notice was given that this motion would be again introduced,

Resolved, that the LSB motion of February 25, 2006 requesting two LSB 'Reports to the Listener' within the same week of each month is hereby rescinded so that alternate proposals from the Programming Oversight Committee may be properly considered.

Motion passes: Y:7, N:3, A:3

Motion to Rescind a Motion Previously Adopted (from Terry Goodman, with prior notice)

Whereas, On October 15, 2005, a KPFK Director mentioned the identity and status of an Executive Director candidate in a public session of the KPFK Local Station Board, before an Executive Director had been hired or any candidates publicly acknowledged by the PNB,

And Whereas, The LSB immediately voted to redact that mention from any publicly posted audio recordings of the meeting,

And Whereas, The aforementioned candidate has since been acknowledged by a different Director in a public meeting of the Pacifica National Board,

And Whereas, The publicly posted audio of KPFK open session LSB meetings should, as a general principle, remain unedited except under extraordinary circumstances and only as long as necessary, *Resolved*, That the order for redaction from the recorded audio of the KPFK LSB meeting of October 15, 2005, approved on that date, is hereby rescinded.

Motion passes: Y:10, N:0, A:2

IV. REPORT BY KPFK ELECTION SUPERVISOR CAESY PETERS - 2:27pm

Casey Peters **gave** a verbal report. His email is ballot@KPFK.org his extension at the station is 234.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

[A] GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE - 2:54pm

Jack van Aken **gave** a verbal report and distributed a written report. (See Appendix C)

Motion: The Governance Committee moves as follows:

Resolved, that all nonprocedural, main action items of the LSB shall be voted on by a roll call vote.

Motion passes: Y:8, N:0, A:4

Motion (as amended): The Governance Committee moves as follows:

Governance Committee Purpose and Role:

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- 1) Monitor compliance of the LSB with its role and duties specified in the Bylaws;
- 2) Track the committee rosters and committee functioning;
- 3) Advise and assist the chair in compiling a proposed agenda for LSB meetings;
- 4) Track disposition of motions that are tabled, etc., and also ascertain and report on the status of the fulfillment of motions that have been approved by the LSB;
- 5) Provide an additional avenue for any members to bring forth motions for consideration by the LSB or any LSB Committee.

Motion passes: Y:12, N:0, A:0;

Dave Adelson Y, Lydia Brazon Y, Israel Feuer Y, Sherna Gluck Y, Terry Goodman Y, Sonali Kolhatkar Y, Arturo Lemus Y, Casey McFall Y, Alan Minsky Y, Madeleine Schwab Y, Harrison Weil Y and Lamont Yeakey Y.

[D] Finance Committee 3:22pm

Casey McFall **gave** a verbal report and distributed a written report.

[E] Management Review & Evaluation Committee 3:43pm

Sherna Gluck **gave** a verbal report.

[F] Programming Oversight Committee 3:50pm

Sherna Gluck **gave** an oral report and distributed a written report. (See Appendix D).

Michael Novick **commented** on the motions as presented by the Programming Oversight Committee.

Motion: The Programming Oversight Committee moves as follows:

That elections for listener reps on the Program Council be conducted via a Folio mailed to all listener sponsors, supplemented by public forums in various communities throughout the listening area and that this be budgeted for 2007 fiscal year. The cost would be approximately \$10,500.

Motion passes: Y:12, N:1, A:8

Dave Adelson A, Israel Feuer A, Sherna Gluck Y, Terry Goodman A, Arturo Lemus Y, Casey McFall Y, Alan Minsky Y, Madeleine Schwab Y, Harrison Weil Y and Lamont Yeakey Y.

[G] Outreach Committee 4:11pm

Arturo Lemus **gave** a verbal report and requested that designs for a t-shirt be given to the Committee.

[H] Committee on Inclusion Committee 4:11pm

Arturo Lemus stated there was no report.

VI. Public Comment 4:16pm

Public Comment was heard.

VII. Pacifica National Board / Directors' Report 4:22pm

Dave Adelson **gave** a verbal report. (See Appendix E for a written report.

Alan Minsky **gave** a verbal report. 4:31pm.

VII. Public Comment - None

IX.. Old Business - None

X. New Business 4:39pm

KPFK Webmaster Ali Lexa **gave** a verbal report. A written report was distributed.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 6, 2006.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 4:47pm

Respectfully submitted,

Carol L. Nealy

KPFK LSB Secretary

These minutes were approved on 9/06/06.

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APPENDIX A Meeting Notice

NOTICE - KPFK Local Station Board, Closed & Open, 08/12/06, 9 am & 1:30 pm

A closed meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board is scheduled for Saturday, August 12, 2005, beginning at 9:00 am at the UCLA Downtown Labor Center, 675 South Park View St., Los Angeles, CA 90057-3306, between Wilshire Blvd and 7th Street, just across from the west end of MacArthur Park. Personnel and legal issues will be discussed.

A regular public meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board is scheduled at the same location (the UCLA Downtown Labor Center) on the same day, Saturday, August 12, 2005, beginning at 1:30 pm or not too long thereafter.

[Directions: Driving east on Wilshire Blvd, pass Vermont and continue on to MacArthur Park, turning right on Park View at the west end of the park. The Center is the second building on the right.]

Refs:

http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?optionfiltered=com_content&task=view&id=1946&Itemid=100

http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?optionfiltered=com_events&task=view_detail&agid=1162&year=2006&month=08&day=12&Itemid=63

<http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=165346;article=39244>

<http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=203188;article=9284>

APPENDIX B Agenda

Proposed Agenda

KPFK Local Station Board Meeting

August 12, 2006

UCLA Downtown Labor Center

675 S. Park View Street, Los Angeles, CA

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 [3 minutes]

III: Report by KPFK Election Supervisor Casey Peters [10 minutes]

IV: Motions previously noticed by Terry Goodman [15 minutes]

V. Report by the General Manager [15 minutes]

VI: Committee Reports: [A] Governance [20 mins] [B] Finance/Development [10 mins] [C] Management Review & Evaluation [10 mins] [D] Programming Oversight [20 mins] [E]Outreach [10 mins] [F] Committee Of Inclusion [10 mins] [Total time allotted for this agenda item 1 hour 20 mins]

VII. Public Comment [10 minutes]

VIII. Pacific National Board/Directors' Report [15 minutes]

IX. Old Business

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 VII.)

APPENDIX C Governance

KPFK Governance Committee Report

August 12, 2006

The committee met August 5th at the Peace Center.

Members present: Grace Aaron, Lydia Brazon, Israel Feuer, Lawrence Reyes, Jack VanAken, Don White, Roger Zimmerman

The sexual harassment training issue was discussed, and the LSB Chair is requesting an update from KPFK management.

In the interest of transparency, and also to provide a track record for incumbents who may stand for reelection to the LSB, the Governance Committee presents this MOTION:

Resolved, that all, nonprocedural, main action items of the LSB shall be voted on by a roll call vote.

Motion passed in committee Y: 6, N: 0, A: 1

MOTION:

Resolved, the KPFK LSB Gov. Committee recommends that the PNB Gov Committee take up this or a similar motion.

Motion passed in committee Y: 5, N: 0, A: 2

Seeing as the Governance Committee has functioned without an approved purview to date, and to clarify its role going forward, we present this MOTION:

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- 5) Provide an avenue for listeners to bring forth motions for consideration by the LSB.

Motion passed in committee Y: 7, N: 0, A: 0

Excused absences--

As a first step toward clarifying LSB policy on excused absences for LSB meetings, the Governance Committee presents this MOTION:

Barring events that unavoidably prevent notification, requests for excused absences shall be presented in writing or verbally in advance of a prescheduled LSB meeting.

Motion passed in committee Y: 7, N: 0, A: 0

LSB Elections--

Concerns have been raised that the nomination period for LSB elections has officially opened as of July 25 without much discernible outreach activity. Toward remedy of this situation the Committee presents these two MOTIONS:

Resolved, that the KPFK LSB recommends that the ED direct all the stations to give the Pacifica LSB elections a higher on-air, website and public events profile.

Motion passed in committee Y: 5, N: 0, A: 1

Resolved, that the KPFK LSB requests that the KPFK management and Elections Supervisor initiate or accelerate LSB election promotion including an election calendar and candidate applications.

Motion passed in committee Y: 4, N: 0, A: 2 (Committee members Don White and Jack VanAken recused themselves from this vote, as likely candidates for election.)

Respectfully submitted,

Jack VanAken, reporting member

APPENDIX D Programming Oversight

Motion for Election of Program Council via Folio

2nd reading 8/12/06

Moved that elections for listener reps on the Program Council be conducted via a Folio mailed to all listener sponsors, supplemented by public forums in various communities throughout the listening area and that this be budgeted for 2007 fiscal year. The cost would be approximately \$10,500.

NOTE: This assumes that the collection and count of the returned ballots is done in-house and on a volunteer basis. The cost could be offset by paid advertising in the Folio or by doing a joint print run with some other non-profit organization.

Estimated Costs:

Union printing 40,000 copies of an 8-page tabloid \$ 4,400.

Mailing 25,000 pre-sorted non-profit pieces \$ 4,250.

Postage for 2500 business reply envelopes \$ 1,250

(this could be higher with greater return rate, or non-existent if we ask voters to pay to mail in)

Miscellaneous supplies (business return envelopes, etc.) \$ 500. (this could be offset by using this in place of one 'or more regular fund-raising mailings.)----- APPENDIX E Pacifica National Board /

Directors' Report by Dave Adelson AgendaPUBLIC SESSION (1 hrs 30 min total proposed in public session)1) Roll call (5 min)2) Approve agenda3) Motion by Lane: That the Programming Cmte. be authorized to work with the ED to develop criteria and budget parameters for a National Program to complement Democracy Now! Such a program shall be a genuine collaboration with news staff, journalists, producers and programmers from Pacifica's five local stations. (45 min)4) Motion on DiRienzo suspension (20 min)5) Motion on Committee Participation by PNB Non-members (20 min)Adjourn to continue Executive Session (if needed) Meeting convened at 1:20PM ESTChair and Secretary presentMembers present and constituting a quorum` 1. * Roll call` Present: Dave Adelson, Teresa Allen, Mary Berg, Evelyn Bethune, Lydia Brazon, Acie Byrd, Lisa Davis, Ebon Dooley, Ray Laforest, Ambrose Lane, Bob Lederer, Alan Minsky, Rosalinda Montez Palacios, Sarv Randhawa, Rip Robbins, Rob Robinson, Deb Shafto, Phil Jackson, Don White, LaVarn Williams, ED Greg Guma; Lonnie Hicks (joined call at about 2:30PM EST)` Absent: Patty Heffley, Zarinah Shakir

` 2. * Approve Agenda

` A Lane moved to reverse order of consideration of items, so the ED' is available for discussion of national

programmingâ€”to be: #1Motion on Committee Participation, #2 DiRienzo suspension, #3 Lane Motion on National Program' A Minsky moved to substitute: Order of consideration to be: #1DiRienzo suspension, #2 Lane Motion on National Program, #3 Motion on Committee Participation. Passed without objection.' 3. * **Motion on DiRienzo Suspension* WHEREAS, On March 9, 2005 a majority of members of the WBAI LSB voted to suspend listener member Paul DeRienzo for a period of 6 months alleging "severe continued disruption" of WBAI board meetings.

` WHERAS, More than one year has passed since such suspension and Mr. DeRienzo has still not been afforded his Local Station Board voting and participation rights as a duly elected delegate pursuant to Article Seven, Section 2 of the Foundation Bylaws,` WHEREAS, A majority of the WBAI LSB has demanded what amounts to a "loyalty oath" to their views from Mr. DeRienzo in order to regain his right to LSB participation, effectively disenfranchising the membership constituency that he was elected to represent in violation of the principles of proportional representation' embodied in Pacifica's electoral process,` AND WHEREAS, neither Pacifica's bylaws nor Roberts Rules support the suspension for multiple meetings enacted by WBAI's LSB,` THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:` 1. That Paul DeRienzo's rights to participate as a member of the WBAI LSB are fully and unconditionally restored.` 2. That no delegate suspensions are to be made by any LSB, except for the remainder of a specific meeting where multiple violations of decorum by the member have occurred and been ordered noted in the meeting minutes.` 3. That no apologies are to be demanded of delegates as a disciplinary measure beyond a simple apology for offending the body.` 4. That the PNB affirms that free speech shall be protected in its governance meetings as limited only by the requirements of decorum outlined in the Foundation's parliamentary authority.` 5. That LSB members shall be provided a fair hearing and an opportunity to be heard before any discipline is applied beyond suspension from a single meeting where objectionable conduct has occurred and been ordered noted in the minutes of the meeting.` E Bethune moved to amend to stipulate that over 90 day period to provide a review of continued behavior by LSB. Chair cautioned that may be in conflict with Roberts Rules of Order.` T Allen moved to substitute: that WBAI LSB find a volunteer from a unrelated organization(such as the Center for Nonviolent' Communication 818-957-9393) to monitor communication for 90 days and give them feedback.` A Byrd moved to extend 10 minutes. Passed with 1 objection (by A' Minsky).` A Byrd moved to refer to WBAI LSB.

` B Lederer called Orders of the Day (at approximately 10:55AM EST)
` **A Minsky made statement encouraging national programming forward with as much participation as possible. A Minsky then left the meeting temporarily.

` 4. * **Lane Motion on National Program*

Resolved that the Programming Cmte. be authorized to work with the ED to develop criteria and budget parameters for a National Program to complement Democracy Now! Such a program shall be a genuine collaboration with news staff, journalists, producers and programmers from Pacifica's five local stations.

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T Allen moved to amend to read: Resolved that the Programming Cmte. Be authorized to work with the ED to develop criteria and budget parameters for national programming. Such programming shall be a genuine collaboration with news staff, journalists, producers and programmers from Pacifica's five local stations.

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M Berg moved to "postpone until PNB adopts National Program Policy, specific as to what is meant by national programming." Failed 6Y- 9N. T Allen called all pending questions. Failed 7Y- 9N. L Brazon moved to refer A Lane's motion to Programming Committee. Chair ruled this equivalent to postponement.

L Brazon moved to extend 15 minutes. Passed without objection.

L Brazon moved to amend: 1) The Executive Director shall present a written proposal, budget, and list of proposed personnel (paid and unpaid) to the PNB Programming Committee. 2) The managers of all five Pacifica sister stations shall provide written confirmation that they have engaged in their regular process of internal consultation concerning this proposal; and 3) The managers of at least three Pacifica sister stations shall provide written confirmation that their station will carry the full series on their station, including the proposed' time slot; and the Executive Director shall set a deadline for the GM's to respond

4) The general proposal and overall budget allocation shall then be voted on by the PNB Programming Committee and the PNB.

L Brazon moved to extend time 15 minutes. Failed 12Y- 7N.

L Brazon amendment. Failed 6Y- 9N.

T Allen amendment. Passed 9Y- 6N.

A Lane motion as amended: Resolved that the Programming Cmte. Be authorized to work with the ED to develop criteria and budget parameters for national programming. Such programming shall be a genuine collaboration with news staff, journalists, producers and programmers from Pacifica's five local stations. Passed 10Y- 7N.

5. Motion on Committee Participation by PNB Non-members

(Whether PNB members, not members of committees will be notified of and be present at Executive Sessions of committees and Whether they will enjoy any rights to participate in debate).

Notice of all PNB Cmte. meetings, excluding LSB meetings, shall be cc'd by the Cmte Secy or Chair to the full PNB when transmitted to the committee and that all Directors shall be permitted to attend any such Cmte. mtgs. Including Executive Sessions.

Shafto Motion: Directors present on committee calls shall announce Their presence to the Chair and shall be permitted to speak at the discretion of the Chair, although they may appeal that decision of the Chair to the majority vote of the committee.

Freeland's amendment to Shafto Motion: Directors present on committee calls shall announce their presence to the Chair and be permitted to speak at least once to any issue before the committee, length of speaking time and number of speaking opportunities per issue being at the discretion of the Cmte. Chair, although the Directors may appeal the decision at the Chair to majority vote of the committee.

R Robbins amendment: Directors present on committee calls shall Announce their presence to the Chair and may be permitted to speak.

A Lane moved to postpone indefinitely. A Lane moved to close debate.

Passed 11Y- 4N. A Lane motion to postpone indefinitely. Passed 15Y- 1N. T

Allen moved to extend 15 minutes. Failed 4Y- 11N.

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