Minutes of the KPFK Delegates Meeting of 9/06/06

A special meeting of the KPFK Delegates was held on Wednesday, September 6, 2006 at the Los Angeles Workers’ Center, 1251 South Saint Andrews Place, Los Angeles, CA 90019, the Chair being in the chair and the Secretary being present. This being a special meeting, no minutes were approved.

Twenty-one members were present: Grace Aaron, Dave Adelson, Sara Amir, Rodrigo Argueta, Lydia Brazon, Marie Deary, Israel Feuer, Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman, Terry Goodman, Kimberly King, Sonali Kolhatkar (leaves at 9:50pm) Arturo Lemus, Casey McFall, Alan Minsky, Reza Pour, Julie C. Rodriguez, Madeleine Schwab, Harrison Weil, Don White and Lamont Yeakey.

Also present: Secretary Carol Nealy.

Three members were excused: Bill Gallegos, Margaret Prescod and Fernando Velazquez.

General Manager Eva Georgia was also excused.

Authority and Notice: This special meeting of the Delegates was scheduled to accompany the regular LSB meeting in anticipation of possible approval of a bylaws amendment proposal by the Pacifica National Board at their September 1, 2006 meeting. The bylaws require a vote of the Delegates in the same calendar month. Notice was posted on the KPFK web site beginning on August 30, 2006, with a correction to the proposed amendment text posted on September 4, 2006. Broadcast notices were incorporated into broadcast notices of the September 6th LSB meeting. (see Appendix A)

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 8:59pm.

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

Motion: Sherna Gluck moved that the following members be excused: Bill Gallegos, Margaret Prescod and Fernando Velazquez

Motion passes without a formal vote, with member Harrison Weil requesting that his objection be noted for the record.

II. REPORT BY KPFK ELECTION SUPERVISOR CASEY PETERS 9:05pm

Casey Peters gave a verbal report regarding the upcoming election of Delegates.

III. COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR 9:25pm
The Chair introduced volunteers Adriana Gomez and Aaruni Thakur as interested in the position of KPFK LSB Secretary.

III. PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENT RATIFICATION 9:28 pm
Lydia Brazon gave a verbal report and distributed a written report.

Public comment was heard.

MOTION: PROPOSED PACIFICA BY-LAWS AMENDMENT ALLOWING FOR A SECOND AT-LARGE MEMBER OF THE PACIFICA NATIONAL BOARD

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Motion: Article 5, Section 1C shall be amended to read as follows:

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Motion failed: Y:9, N:11, A:0
Yes: Dave Adelson, Rodrigo Argueta, Lydia Brazon, Israel Feuer, Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman, Arturo Lemus, Reza Pour, Julie C. Rodriguez,
No: Sara Amir, Marie Deary, Terry Goodman, Kimberly King, Sonali Kolhatkar, Casey McFall, Alan Minsky, Madeleine Schwab, Harrison Weil, Don White and Lamont Yeakey
Abstain: None

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS 9:58pm
None

V. NEW BUSINESS 9:59pm
Motion: Terry Goodman moved (as amended on the motion of Lydia Brazon):
Resolved, That a regular meeting of the KPFK Delegates shall be scheduled to precede the first regular Local Station Board meetings held in the months of March and September.
Public comment was heard.
Motion passes: Y-15, N-0, A-3
Yes: Dave Adelson, Lydia Brazon, Israel Feuer, Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman, Terry Goodman, Kimberly King, Arturo Lemus, Casey McFall, Reza Pour, Julie C. Rodriguez, Madeleine Schwab, Harrison Weil, Don White and Lamont Yeakey
No: None
Abstain: Sara Amir, Rodrigo Argueta, Marie Deary
Present: Alan Minsky

Meeting adjourned at 10:07pm

Respectfully submitted,
Appendix A - Meeting Notices

[Notice as posted on 8/30/06:]

Pursuant to Article Seventeen, Section 1(B)(2)(i) of the Pacifica Bylaws, which require a vote of Delegates within the same calendar month as a vote of the PNB on a proposed bylaws amendment, a SPECIAL MEETING OF THE KPFK DELEGATES has been called in anticipation of possible approval of an amendment by the required majority of all Directors at the PNB meeting scheduled for September 1, 2006.

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The meeting for PNB consideration of the above amendment is scheduled for Friday, September 1, 2006, beginning at 5:30 pm Pacific time. All PNB meetings are archived and webcast at http://www.kpftx.org.

PNB Streams:
http://www.pacifica.org/about/pnb/stream/
http://www.kpftx.org/pls/kpftx8080.pls
http://www.kpftx.org:8080/

PNB Meeting Refs:
http://www.kpftx.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&item=2051&Itemid=102

Delegates' Meeting Refs:
http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&item=2052&Itemid=100
http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=165346;article=39269
http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=203188;article=9414

[Corrected Notice Posted on 9/04/06:] The text of the proposed bylaws amendment distributed in a previous meeting announcement on 8/30/06 was incomplete and is corrected below. The current text of the two sections proposed to be replaced is also included.

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CURRENT TEXT OF BYLAWS:

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As the second order of business at the Board meeting in March each year in which an At-large director is to be elected, the Directors present and voting (excluding any then current Affiliate Representative or At-Large Directors from the vote) shall elect one (1) At-Large Director from the nominees submitted by the Delegates, using the Instant Runoff Voting method. The At-Large Director shall serve for a one year term which shall commence immediately upon his/her election.

Posting Refs:
http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2051&Itemid=102
http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2052&Itemid=100
http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=165346;article=39272
http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=203188;article=9435

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Appendix B - Agenda Draft
KPFK Delegates Meeting
Sept. 6, 2006
(Draft Pending LSB Approval)
Los Angeles Workers’ Center
1251 South Saint Andrews Place
Los Angeles, CA 90019

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:  Proposed Bylaws Amendment Ratification
IV:   Unfinished Business
VI:   New Business [10 minutes]