Minutes of the KPFK Local Station Board Meeting of December 1, 2010

A regular, monthly meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Wednesday, December 1 at The Workmen’s Circle, 1525 S. Robertson Blvd, Los Angeles, California 90035. The meeting was convened by John Cromshow. Dutch Merrick (upon election) served as Chair. John P. Garry III (upon election) served as Secretary. New members were seated and elections for officers were held. No minutes were approved.

Twenty members were present, constituting a quorum: Ken Aaron, Chuck Anderson, Rodrigo Argueta, Fred Blair, Lydia Brazon, Omar Burdet, John Cromshow, Aryana Gladney, Leonard Isenberg, Kim Kaufman, Fred Klunder, Jim Lafferty, Ali Lexa, Brenda Medina, Dutch Merrick, Michael Novick, Summer Reese (arrived 7:46), Martina Steiner, John Wenger, Lamont Yeakey (arrived 7:45).

Also present: Richard Vega (Parliamentarian), Terry Goodman (Parliamentary Adviser, Audio Recordist), Jennifer Kiser (KPFK Interim Assistant General Manager).

One member was excused: Margie Murray.

Two members were absent: Sequoia Olivia Mercier, John Parker.

One member was absent due to suspension: Ian Johnston.

Authority and Notice: This meeting was authorized by the LSB by a motion approved at its meeting of September 25, 2010. Specific notice for this meeting was posted on the KPFK.org and other websites beginning on Tuesday, November 23, 2010 (see Appendix A).

Audio Recording: The audio of the meeting was recorded by Terry Goodman and is available for a limited time at the following sites:

http://www.sendspace.com/file/ybx4e5
http://www.filefactory.com/file/b48a69c/n/klsb101201.mp3
http://www.megaupload.com/?d=93IK9066

The meeting was called to order by the out-going Chair at 7:14 PM.

The Chair announced that he will not be able to continue as an Officer of the Board and thanked several LSB Members.

(7:20) ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Dutch Merrick, running unopposed, was elected Chair by acclamation, with one abstention, (Dutch Merrick).
(7:29) Discussion of whether Christopher Condon or Aryana Gladney should replace Bree Walker (who resigned after the most recent election) as a member of the LSB. Klunder moved that the LSB vote to decide the matter. So ordered, without objection. Aaron asked that Condon and Gladney recuse themselves from the vote. So ordered, without objection. Isenberg moved for a secret ballot. So ordered, without objection. Ballots were distributed but no vote was taken—upon citation of a precedent Christopher Condon withdrew and Aryana Gladney remained seated.

Nominations for Vice-Chair: Brenda Medina, Margie Murray (in absentia). By a secret ballot Margie Murray was elected Vice-Chair by a vote of 11-9.

The Chair called a recess for vote tally until 8:03.

(8:04) ELECTION OF TREASURER

Nominations: Fred Klunder (declined), Jim Lafferty (declined), Kim Kaufman. Kim Kaufman was elected Treasurer without objection.

Lafferty, as a staff member of the Board, committed to interacting with station management regarding financial matters. Jennifer Kiser was called on by the Chair and reported on the proposed KPFK solar array and commented on other station matters.

(8:27) ELECTION OF SECRETARY

Nominees: Jim Lafferty (declined), John P. Garry, Doug Barnett. By a secret ballot John P. Garry was elected Secretary by a vote of 12-8. Doug Barnett committed to serving as Back-up Secretary.

Novick moved (as amended) for 10 minutes for public comment with a 60 second limit for each speaker. Passed without objection.

(8:49) Public Comment was heard for 9 minutes while ballots were being counted.

(8:58) AGENDA

Resistance and Liberation Town Hall Meeting
General Manager Search
Scheduling of LSB Meetings
Immigration Clinic
PrOC Report
Finance Report
Proposal for Two Additional Meetings (orientation, relationship-building))
Ground Rules For Communication
New Business Items to be collected at the end of the meeting
Additional Public Comment

(9:10) NOMINATIONS FOR THE PACIFICA NATIONAL BOARD

Brazon cited Pacifica Bylaws Article 5, Section 3A, (see Appendix B) followed by discussion of PNB nominations. Argueta cited Pacifica Bylaws Article 5, Section 3C:

“All newly elected Station Representative Directors shall be seated at the Meeting of the Board of Directors held in late January each year, when their terms shall commence.”

As reiterated by the Chair, nominations for PNB Directors will be accepted by the Secretary (see Appendix C).

(9:15) SCHEDULING OF LSB MEETINGS

Saturday, January 8, 2011, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM (location TBD).
Wednesday, February 9, 2011, 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM (location TBD).

(9:25) GROUND RULES FOR COMMUNICATION

The Chair defined LSB ground rules for collaboration and unity: one person speaks at a time when recognized by the Chair, no interruption of a recognized speaker, let the Chair run the meeting, disagree using respectful terms. The public will follow the same guidelines. Discussion followed.

(9:29) RESISTANCE AND LIBERATION TOWN HALL MEETING

After discussion, Aaron moved that the LSB support the Resistance and Liberation Town Hall Meeting scheduled for December 11, 2010. Passed without objection. Aaron requested that this and all LSB motions be sent to KPFK management. So ordered, without objection.

(9:47) GENERAL MANAGER SEARCH COMMITTEE REPORT

Reese gave an oral report, followed by discussion and questions. A member of the public, Israel Feuer, was acknowledged by the Chair to contribute to the discussion.

(9:57) IMMIGRATION CLINIC

Cromshow gave an oral report on his preparations for an Immigration Clinic. Lafferty moved that the LSB sponsor an Immigration Clinic. Passed without objection.

Lafferty moved to extend the meeting by 15 minutes. Passed by a majority hand vote of 12.

Argueta made a request for a donation of additional translation equipment for the Resistance and
Liberation Town Hall Meeting.

(10:07) PROGRAMMING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT

Argueta (PrOC Vice-Chair) gave an oral report.

(10:08) FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Wenger and Reese gave oral reports.

Isenberg moved for public comment. Passed without objection.

(10:12) Public comment was heard for three minutes.

Meeting adjourned by the Chair at 10:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted by John P. Garry III, LSB Secretary

These minutes were approved on January 8, 2011.

Appendix A-Meeting Notice

email sent by Terry Goodman on Tue, November 23, 2010 12:40:10 PM

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There will be an educational/cultural presentation on "Yiddish Songs" before the LSB meeting, scheduled to begin at 6:30 pm, so please try to arrive early.

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http://www.kpfk.org/eventcal.html?task=view_detail&agid=1667&year=2010&month=12&day=01
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email sent by Terry Goodman on Tue, November 23, 2010 12:41:36 PM

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Appendix B-Bylaws citation:

AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF PACIFICA FOUNDATION

ARTICLE FIVE, SECTION 3A.Nomination:

“Any current Delegate of any class of Members may nominate any other current Delegate of any class of Members serving the same radio station for the office of Director, provided that the nominee has served at least one year as a Delegate for that radio station. Said nominations shall be given in writing to the recording Secretary for the radio station Local Station Board (‘LSB’) by December 31 prior to the election of Directors in January.”

Appendix C-PNB written nominations received by the Secretary on December 1, 2010.

12/1/10 “I Lydia Brazon nominate Rodrigo Argueta for PNB Director-Staff”
Signed by Lydia Brazon.

“I nominate Lydia Brazon for the position of PNB member (listener delegate)”
Signed by Michael Novick, 12/01/10

12/1/10 “Brenda Medina nominates Fred Klunder for PNB Director”
Signed by Brenda Medina