Minutes for KPFK LSB Meeting of November 19, 2023
Via zoom

Meeting convened: 10:37am Pacific Time by LSB Chair Harvey Wasserman
(meeting notice appended below)

Present:

  Christina Avalos
  Mike Bressler
  Sue Cohen Johnson
  Sandy Childs
  John Cromshow
  Michael Heiss
  Eric Jacobson
  Evelia Jones
  Oye Oyeyipo
  Myla Reson (Secretary pro tem)
  Paul Roberson
  Elizabeth von Gunten
  Harvey Wasserman (Chair)
  Carlos Zavala
  Kim Kaufman (Treasurer)

Absent:

  Ali Lexa
  Doug Barnett
  Veronica Becerra
  Vic Gerami
  Nicole “Nikki” Haun
  Ali Lexa Al-Hilali
  Rob Macon
  Barbara Marbach
  Ruth Strauss
  Michael Novick (iGM

Suspended:

  Jeanine Rohn
Excused Absences:

Ali Lexa  
Nikki Haun  
Michael Novick (iGM)

Article Four, Delegates, Section 9: Removal of Delegates

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(C) failure of a Delegate to attend three consecutive Local Station Board meetings, which absences have not been excused by a majority vote of the LSB members present at the meetings in question;

October 15, 2023 Minutes approved with only one objection from Elizabeth von Gunten

Timekeeper: Nancy Niparko

Evelia Jones: Land Back Comportment (audio available at kpftx)
Paul Roberson: Pacifica Mission Statement (audio available at kpftx)

Schedule December meeting date

Moved by Myla Reson, seconded by Christina Avalos:
Motion to set the December meeting of the KPFK LSB meeting on December 3, 2023

Whereas the last day of school for many colleges, prior to their winter break is December 15, 2023 (including, for example the LA Unified school district); and

Whereas the LSB has had a difficult time reaching quorum, even two weeks before Christmas, because many people have vacations, family gatherings, parties and other obligations during the later part of December, and
Whereas the newly elected members of the LSB will be seated at the December meeting of the LSB; and

Whereas it is important that the KPFK LSB attempt to be sure that as many LSB members as possible attend the December meeting, especially the new members;

Therefore be it resolved that the December meeting of the KPFK LSB be set for the first Sunday in December: DECEMBER 3, 2023 at 10:30am.

Yes: Christina Avalos; Sandy Childs; Sue Cohen Johnson, John Cromshow; Michael Heiss; Evelia Jones; Oye Oyeyipo; Myla Reson; Harvey Wasserman; Carlos Zavala (10)
No: Eric Jacobson; Elizabeth von Gunten (2)
Abstain: Mike Bressler; Paul Roberson (2)

Substitute motion moved by Elizabeth von Gunten seconded by Eric Jacobson:
“My substitute motion is that the KPFK LSB stick with the previously determined standard regular meeting schedule of the third Sunday of every month so that it can be reliable predictable and accessible to all.”

[voted on before main motion]
Yes: Eric Jacobson; Elizabeth von Gunten (2)
No: Christina Avalos; Sandy Childs; Sue Cohen Johnson; John Cromshow; Evelia Jones; Oye Oyeyipo; Myla Reson; Harvey Wasserman; Carlos Zavala (9)
Abstain: Mike Bressler; Michael Heiss; Paul Roberson (3)

Substitute Motion Fails

National Directors Reports (audio available at kpftx)

Elizabeth von Gunten
Evelia Jones

Public Comment (audio available kpftx)

New Business
Resolution Advocating Humanitarian Military Intervention to End Israel's Ongoing Genocide of the Palestinians introduced by Eric Jacobson; seconded by Elizabeth von Gunten [see appendix for resolution text]

4 Yes; 6 No; 1 Abstention

Adjourn 1:10pm

Submitted by
Myla Reson, Secretary pro tem

Appendix

New Business

Resolution Advocating Humanitarian Military Intervention to End Israel’s Ongoing Genocide of the Palestinians introduced by Eric Jacobson; seconded by Elizabeth von Gunten

Whereas American diplomacy has since the WW1 Armenian genocide by the Turks and the WW2 genocide of European Jews by the Nazis been devoted to implementing the ethos of “Never Again” in relation to genocides and related ethnic cleansing slaughters (aka communal violence) and crimes against humanity such as occurred in Rwanda (where Hutus slaughtered Tutsis) and in Bosnia (where Serbs slaughtered Muslims);

Whereas such genocidal situations, dynamics and events constitute what former US UN Ambassador Samantha Power described as “problems from hell” that merit the United States and the international community mounting humanitarian military interventions to abate them; see her astute intrepid response in 2011 to the then-plausible now-starkly-REAL question she was asked concerning Israel moving towards genocide of the Palestinians here: https://youtu.be/oFdt6fjdHQw?si=yCl2GYBYHPDdVh07;

Therefore, be it resolved that the members of this KPFK LSB, as elected representatives of the listeners and staff of the Los Angeles Pacifica Foundation Station KPFK FM, having borne witness on our screens since October 7th (as all Americans have) to Israel’s ongoing military campaign of extermination and attempted mass-expulsion of the Palestinian people from the territory of Gaza and all of 1947-1948 British Mandate Palestine (hereinafter “1947 Palestine”), hereby:

1) Excoriates, condemns and reviles the Israeli government for its ongoing GENOCIDE of the Palestinian people therein;
2) Calls on President Biden to do the following:

A) immediately revoke President Truman's US diplomatic recognition of Israel and suspend all transfers of foreign aid and US-made weapons to Israel;

B) Demand Israel immediately HALT its genocide against the Palestinian people and society, and if Israel does not comply AT ONCE:

C) Mobilize a “coalition of the willing” led by the United States to conduct a Responsibility-to-Protect humanitarian military intervention to STOP Israel’s genocide-in-progress (which abatement by Israel, as a practical matter, could likely be accomplished by merely threatening to use overwhelming military force against the IDF); and correspondingly and accordingly, this KPFK LSB hereby further:

3) Calls upon the United Nations to do the following:

A) Declare that Israel has no right to exist as a genocidal state;

B) Recognize that this is now-indisputably Israel's essential nature;

C) Revoke recognition of Israel as the successor sovereign of the territory of 1947 Palestine;

D) Justly reconfigure the governing structure of 1947 Palestine into a body that conforms with international law and respects the legal rights of all its citizens and former citizens and their progeny, in conformance with all UN Human Rights Conventions; and

E) Institute reparative processes of peace and reconciliation, and personal security protections, and effect a peaceable transition to that successor just reparative governing structure.

[end]

Meeting Notice

Sunday, November 19, 2023
KPFK Local Station Board

Agenda
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Committee Members

1:30 PM ET
Teleconference
I. Opening Business (10 min)

Call to Order
Roll Call
Land Back Acknowledgement ¶Comportment
Pacifica Foundation Mission Statement
Request for timekeepers ¶ speakers limited to 90 seconds unless otherwise noted
Excused absences requests

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Approve agenda (Time certain adjourn 12:00pm)
Approve October 15, 2023 minutes

II. Schedule December meeting date (3 min)

III. Treasurer ¶ Report (14 min)

Report from Treasurer Kim Kaufman (5 min)
Q&A with LSB (9 min)

IV. PNB Directors Reports (11 min)

Elizabeth Von Gunten (3 min)
Evelia Jones (3 min)
Q&A with LSB (5 min)

V. Listener Comment (30 min)

Adjourn

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