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## **Pacifica Foundation** Delegate Assembly & KPFT LSB Regular Meeting

**MINUTES** 

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#### 7:00p KPFT Delegates Meeting, Called to Order.

Teresa Allen, Treasurer

Richard Uzzell, Secretary

#### **Roll Called/ Quorum Established.**

**Members Attending:** Teresa Allen, Adriana Casenave, Bill Crosier, Lynden Foley, Rhonda Garner, Patrick Hoyt, Wally James, DeWayne Lark, Mike Lewis, Paula Miller, Susie Moreno, Vinisha Patel-Adams, Sandra Rawline, Darelle Robbins, Nancy Saibara-Naritomi, Wendy Schroell, Richard Uzzell, Rita Washington, Sandy Weinmann, Ted Weisgal and Egberto Willies.

Ex Offico: Jew Don Boney, Jr. IGM, Non-Voting.

Members Absence, Excused: <u>Casenave moved</u> to excuse Deb Shafto and Vaniecia Williams. HNO, both excused.

Chair Pro-tem Election. Lark Called a Point of Order re: There should be an election for a Chair Pro-tem. Chair agreed. Foley nominated Allen, Saibara-Naritomi nominated Patel-Adams. Allen Won by a vote of 13-6.

Agenda Approval. Uzzell moved Approval of the Agenda. Weisgal submitted six motions for consideration.

Secretary read a list of recommendations sent by the Chair, Deb Shafto, as follows:

- Motion 1. Redundant because the issue is already on the Agenda at #5. Recommend dismissing. HNO, motion dismissed.
- Motions 2 & 3. Recommend referring to Governance Committee. HNO, referred to Governance.
- Motions 4 & 5. Recommend referring to Outreach Committee. HNO, referred to Outreach.
- Motion 6. Redundant because the issue is already being addressed by the Chair and Secretary. Recommend dismissing. HNO, motion dismissed.

HNO, Motion to Approve the Agenda, Approved.

## **Minutes Approval.**

**January 29, 2020 Minutes.** <u>Uzzell moved</u> the Approval of the January 29, 2020 Minutes. Lark objected to the sentence stating that "Martinez seated to fill vacancy..." Chair responded that Martinez would not be seated until the Gartner matter was settled. Secretary assured that the statement would be stricken from the Minutes. Weisgal objected to the statement "audio available of Public Comment at kpftx.org." because some audio were not posted. Crosier assured that although some of the recordings have been posted, that the others are still works in progress. Secretary agreed to add the words "will be" to help clarify the situation. HNO, Minutes of January 29,2020 as amended were Approved.

## Chair's Comments re: Robert Gartner Status.

At the January 29, 2020 KPFT LSB Meeting, a discussion about whether to seat Robert Gartner was tabled until the February 12, 2020 meeting of the LSB, "with an understanding that the Chair would research the disqualification and report back at the February meeting". Chair, Pro-Tem Allen informed the Board that the matter was being considered by the Pacifica General Counsel, who would report back soon. Also, Allen read a statement from LSB Chair, Deb Shafto, that reiterated the earlier block to seating Gartner on the KPFT LSB. Shafto statement follows: [OVER for Page 2]

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#### Shafto's Ruling as directed by January 29, 2020 Motion.

"I have reviewed these details and have concluded that the Chair Pro-tem, Lynden Foley was correct in his determination that (and I quote from the approved Minutes of the January 8. 2020 LSB Meeting.)

"...the next person on the Replacement List, Robert Gartner, was disqualified to be a KPFT Delegate and thus was not qualified to be a member of the KPFT LSB. The Chair had determined that, as per the Pacifica Foundation Bylaws (Article 4, Section 2A and Article 3, Section8A), Gartner was not a "member in good standing," because " the member has been banned from the premises of one or more Pacifica stations due to threatening behavior or creating an unsafe environment for others" and a substantial legal and financial liability for the foundation."

Therefore, I shall also rule that Mr. Gartner is disqualified to be a KPFT Delegate and thus is not qualified to be a member of the KPFT LSB." *Deb Shafto, KPFT LSB 2020 Chair* 

*Casenave called Point of Order* re: Gartner not being seated. No action taken. She then demanded that a printed statement she had, be added to the Minutes. Secretary responded, "Repeating what I've said before, "the Minutes contain what happens at the meeting, not what is said at the meeting - [RRO]" He did however accept the document and stated that he would add it to the Official Record of the Meeting, not to Minutes.

**8:00p** Public Comment. Audio of Public Comment will be available at kpftx.org.

#### 2020 Pacifica National Board (PNB) KPFT Director's Election. Three Listeners & One Staff.

The Chair proposed procedural rules. <u>Elections Procedures</u>: Candidate Statement (ea. - 1 min.), Questions (1/Member - 30 sec.), Answers (ea. Candidate - 1 min.) and Candidate Closing Statement (ea. - 1 min.). <u>Lark moved</u> that the Closing Statement be eliminated. HNO, motion Approved. HNO, Proposed Procedure, Approved as Amended.

All eligible candidates had been nominated by Dec. 31 deadline. Secretary went through the list to see who actually wished to be a candidate.

<u>The Listener Candidate list</u> was Casenave, Lark, Foley, Garner, Rawline, Saibara-Naritomi. Statements and Q&A followed. Vote taken. **The three Listener Directors elected are Lark, Rawline and Foley.** 

<u>The Staff Candidate list</u> was Patel-Adams, Lewis and James. <u>Crosier moved</u> to amend the rules to do away with Q&A and all Statements. Motion failed 11-8. <u>Robbins moved</u> to eliminate closing statements. Motion failed, 12-7. <u>Casenave moved</u> to extend time 20 minutes. Motion approved 14-5. Statement and Q&A followed. Vote taken. **The Staff Director elected is James.** 

<u>Uzzell moved</u> to extend time until 10:30p and to have the IGM Report. HNO, Motion Approved.

IGM Report. Jew Don Boney, Jr. IGM gave Report. Audio of Report will be available at kpftx.org.

Next Meeting. March 11, 2020, 7:00p, 1711 Rutland, Houston, TX. (in the Heights)

Adjournment. Foley moved to Adjourn at 10:48p. HNO, Adjourned.

Minutes Scribed by Richard Uzzell, KPFT LSB Secretary.

Minutes Approved by Vote of the KPFT LSB on <u>March 18, 2020</u> KPFT LSB Chair <u>Deb Shafto.</u>

Deb Shafto, Chair