

WBAI LOCAL STATION BOARD
May 19, 2016, 7:00 PM

Theater for the New City, 155 First Avenue, New York, NY 10003
APPROVED: Nov. 2, 2016

1. The meeting was set for 7 PM and was called to order by Pauline Park at 7:54 pm

2. Roll Call:

- * Thomas Barton – absent
- John Brinkley – en route – arrived 7:59
- Ebon Charles – absent
- * Jim Dingeman – absent
- King Downing – absent
- William Heerwagen – en route – arrived 8:00
- * Reggie Johnson – absent
- Vajra Kilgour – present
- * Ken Laufer – absent
- Bob Lederer – present
- * Frank LeFever – absent
- * Pat Logan – absent
- * R. Paul Martin – absent
- * Eve Moser – absent
- Pauline Park – present
- Ralph Poynter – absent
- * Shawn Rhodes – absent
- John Riley – present
- Cerene Roberts – present
- Sharonne Salaam – present
- * Alex Steinberg – absent
- Lynne Stewart – absent
- * Jeremy Taylor – absent
- * Bob Young – absent
- ** Berthold Reimers, General Manager – en route – arrived 8:00

- * Also absent 1/27/16, 2/10/16, 3/9/16, and 4/13/16
- ** Also absent 1/27/16, 2/10/16, and 4/13/16

Quorum was not achieved, and the chair's original draft agenda below was used excluding Item 5.

1. Call to Order by Pro Tem Chair John Brinkley
2. Attendance by Pro Tem Sec'y Vajra Kilgour (2 min.)
3. Election of Pro Tem Chair and Secretary (5 min.)
4. Selection of Time Keeper (1 min.)
5. ~~Excused absences (2 min.)~~

6. Review/approval of April 13 meeting minutes (2 min.)
7. Announcements (2 min.)
8. Announcement about letter sent by LSB members to PNB re non-attendance (2 min.)
9. GM Report and Q/A (15 min.)
10. Discussion of 90-day fundraising plan (15 min.)
11. Public Comment (30 min.)
12. Invitations to department heads for June LSB meeting (5 min.)
13. Motion for LSB retreat (5 min.)

3. Election of chair pro tem: Kilgour nominated Brinkley. Nominations closed. No objections. John Brinkley is Chair pro tem *by acclamation*.

Election of secretary pro tem: Park nominated Kilgour. Nominations closed. No objections. Vajra Kilgour is Secretary pro tem *by acclamation*.

4. Cerene Roberts volunteered to be timekeeper.

6. Roberts moved approval of 4/13/16 minutes. *Passed without objection*.

7. Announcements:

- a. A National Elections Supervisor, Lynne Serpe, has been hired.
- b. This day (May 19) is the birthday of Malcolm X, Ho Chi Minh, and Louis Reyes Rivera, as well as the anniversary of Elombe Brath's passing.
- c. Four bylaws revisions, which can be found at pacificafoundation.org, are being considered. Please provide feedback to Director Cerene Roberts well before the PNB vote on June 2.

8. Cerene Roberts reported that the Pacifica National Board has received the LSB's second letter about the chronic absence of half of the board members, but did not reach a decision re directing the chair to respond to the LSB at its last meeting; there are two court cases, one in court in New York City on Friday, May 20.

(At 8:20, Cerene Roberts pointed out that the presence of staff in addition to the GM, including iPD Jeannie Hopper, news programmer Linda Perry, and Matt Mazza necessitated a rearrangement of time.)

9. General Manager report: preceded by report from interim Program Director (iPD) Jeannie Hopper, who started in fall 2015.

General Manager Berthold Reimers gave his report.

10. Discussion of the Pay as You Go Plan; copies were distributed to staff present at meeting. Cerene Roberts and Bob Lederer will work with the GM to expedite the plan.

12. Invitation to department heads to attend the June LSB meeting were issued to staff present.

13. Roberts moved that a Working Group of LSB volunteers be formed to plan a retreat for the purpose of improving board relations and to plan a Town Hall meeting, which will take place by July 10, 2016. *Passed without objection.*

William Heerwagen, Cerene Roberts, and Sharonne Salaam volunteered to organize the retreat.

Adjourned 9:32 PM.

Prepared by Vajra Kilgour,
Secretary pro tem