7/13/05 WPFW LSB Meeting – Minutes

WPFW Local Station Board Meeting

July 13, 2005, 7:00 p.m.

The Flemming Center, Washington, DC

Call to Order: 7:15 p.m.

1. Board members in attendance:

Ambrose Lane

Ayo Handy Kendi

Billy Ray Edwards

Carol Wolfe

Gloria Turner

Hakam Takash

Kalonji Olusegun Jane Gatewood

Joni Eisenberg

Joe Chiara

Luzette King

Mark Berman

Rob Robinson

Cade Campbell Mark Roberts

Norberto Martinez

Sarah Bittle

Steve Hoffman

Thomas Ruffin

Acie Byrd

Ron Pinchback, WPFW General Manager and non-voting LSB member, was also in attendance.

Excused: Jim Brown, Katea Stitt, Zarinah Shakir

Unexcused: Dan Logan

The meeting was chaired by Mark Berman, Vice Chair, in the excused absence of Jim Brown, Chair.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hakam to add to the agenda an update on the Radio Co-op and to make another motion to advise Pacifica to set aside a yearly national budget for related legal fees to settle a possible law suite.

Motion by Luzette to move Treasurer report earlier, as soon as she arrives. Motion passes.

Motion by Hakam to put time limits on agenda items.

Mark R. moves to accept the revised agenda with the change in order. Seconded and passes.

3. Approval of minutes.

Steve moves to approve minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.

4. LSB Committee Reports

Program Committee: No report

MASC: No report

Governance: No report

Outreach & Development committee report: Distributed and presented by Ayo.

5. PNB Committee Reports

PNB Program Committee report presented and distributed by Rob Robinson. He also presented and distributed summaries of other PNB activities that he participated in.

Mark Roberts: 2 GMs left and the Executive Director's resignation is effective 6/1. The ED Search Committee is trying to develop a transition plan while the search is conducted. A Search firm has been hired. Candidates will be interviewed at the September meeting where, ideally, a new Executive Director will be selected.

Ayo moves that LSB prepare a position paper to present to the PNB our views on how the process should proceed for hiring the national Executive Director.

Kalonji seconded the motion.

Ambrose presents his report.

Aycie moves to amend Ayo's motion to add that WPFW proposes a national meeting of th PNB to decide either to appoint an interim director or put Ambrose into the position.

Hakam seconds the motion.

Mark R proposes a substitute motion: Moves that the WPFW LSB instruct the PNB to whenever possible avoid executive sessions regarding selection of ED. WPFW should support selecting an interim ED from the Bay Area, or naming the current CFO ED for a 120 day period.

Mark withdrew his motion.

Luzette moves to amend the original motion to propose that the position paper 1) include that PNB avoid executive sessions and 2) PNB should follow the rules so the PNB chairman is put in charge and 3) the PNB should hire an agency to recruit an ED

Joe Chiara seconds.

Jane moves that we divide Luzette's motion.

Seconded by Mark R.

8 ayes 4 nays. Motion to divide carries.

- 3) motion 12 ayes 2 nays
- 2) 12 ayes 2 nays 2 abstentions.
- 1) 11 ayes 2 opposed 1 abstention

It was determined that 2 national PNB meetings are already scheduled, so Aycie's motion is withdrawn.

Amended motion voted on:

LSB prepare a position paper to present to the PNB our views on how the process should proceed for hiring the national Executive Director. The position paper should include that PNB avoid executive sessions, 2) PNB should follow the rules so PNB chairman is put in charge as interim ED, and 3) PNB should hire an agency to recruit an ED.

10 ayes 3 nays 4 abstentions. Amended motion carries.

- 6. Treasurer's report was presented by Jane.
- 7. General Manager's report was distributed.
- 8. Community Comment

Community comment begins at 9:27 pm.

Community comment ends at 9:40 pm. after all community participants had spoken.

- 9. Old Business not covered
- 10. New Business

Norberto replaces Kalonji as chair committee on inclusion?

Hakam will reads motion and will e-mail it to secretary for the next meeting.

Mark moves to table the motion and put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

Motion to table amended by Luzette who moves to allow 30 minutes for the item.

Motion is seconded and carries.

2 abstentions

8 ayes

It is suggested that the position statement be prepared by Monday, June 30.

11. Meeting adjourns at 10:05 pm.