

2006-03-10 PNB Meeting Minutes

Minutes PNB Teleconference 3-10-06

Approved 5-8-06

Agenda

Public Session (proposed duration 165 min)

- 1) Roll Call and Approval of the Agenda (15 min)
- 2) Approval of Minutes for 2/20/06 PNB teleconference, if available (5 min)
- 3) Coordinating Committee report (public session) (45 min total, 15 min for first item, 30 min for second item)
 - recommendation for board training on Race and Nationality (details below)
 - motion on WPFW LSB election of PNB representatives (copied below)
- 4) Finance Committee motion on Budget Calendar (copied below) (10 min)
- 5) Reconsideration of PNB Committee Composition (20 min)
- 6) Board member conduct (30 min)
- 7) KPFT LSB suspension of Ken Freeland (20 min)

Adjourn to Executive Session

Coordinating Committee report (exec session) & ED update on status of legal case(s) including potential settlement terms

Coordinating Committee Resolution on Race and Nationality Training Coordinating Cmte. Secretary Mary Berg, will provide exact text of the motions on training. The Coordinating Cmte. recommends Dr. Shirley Better to conduct the training.

- Dr. Shirley Better: Dr. Better is an activist and specialist in community organization, social welfare, and community development. She is an expert on social work, the Black feminist movement, minority communities and role strain and life satisfaction of African-American women. Professor Better developed upper-division program classes in institutional racism, which she teaches along with classes on poverty at Cal State L.A. Other courses Dr. Better teaches include specifically women's issues in social welfare, focusing on the social issues of women of color. She is a founder of the National Association of Black Social Workers, and author of the book, Institutional Racism: A Primer on Theory and Strategies for Social Change.

The workshop goals would be to increase awareness of the vestiges of institutional

racism, of how institutions perpetuate inequities, and to increase skills in combating racism. Better provided a workshop model that combines presentation on key concepts, Q & A time, exercises, and strategies. Participants look at existing practices and are offered a new method of examining the functioning of institutional racism.

Approach -identifying changes in the status of anti-racism education within the network as well as signaling ways in which further development and change can occur.

Coordinating Committee Resolution on WPFW election Whereas, no party is disputing that during the WPFW election two ballots were excluded and therefore not counted as a result of the way in which the ballots were filled out,

And whereas, these two ballots represent 10% of the total ballots cast, and 33% of the votes necessary to elect a representative in that election, and thus could potentially alter the outcome of the STV election of representatives,

Resolved,

- 1) that a remedy is required,
- 2) that potential remedies must be submitted to the PNB within 30 days, and agreed to by the PNB and executed within 60 days,
- 3) that such a remedy shall involve either a recount of all original ballots or the holding of a new election for representatives,
- 4) that recommendations on the preferred remedy may be submitted to the PNB by any or all of the following: the Coordinating Committee, the Elections Committee, the Governance Committee, and the WPFW LSB. Minority reports from any committee submitting a recommendation will also be received, and
- 5) that the WPFW LSB may, as a remedy, choose to count the two excluded ballots and allow the elections supervisor, Angela Luria, to certify the results of the re-tabulation of ballots.

Proposed Budget Timeline

Approved by NFC February 16, 2006 for consideration by the PNB

Deadline Who Initiates Action

A - Mar 20 CFO - Meet with treasurers to outline budget development process and paperwork submission. Call for budget Priorities to be discussed in various venues.

B - By Apr 30 LSB's, in consultation with GM's/BM's - Identify and rank budget priorities in order of importance: Scale of 1-5 where 5 is high.

C - By May 31 GM's/BM's, in consultation with LSB's/ Local Finance Committees, ED, and CFO - Generate Draft Station Budgets and submit to CFO

D - By Jun 30 CFO - Compile and Distribute Draft Network Budget to LSB's and NFC for review

E - By Jul 31

NFC - Review Draft National Office budget (NFC)

LSB's - Review Draft Station budgets (LSBs)

Approve As-Is or with amendments

F - By Aug 7 CFO - Compile and Distribute Final Budget Proposal to NFC for approval

G - By Aug 31 NFC - Review Final Network Budget, Make recommendations for PNB adoption

H - By Sep 7 CFO - Distribute Final Budget Proposal to Board

I - By Sep 30 PNB - Adopt Budget for fiscal year beginning Oct 1.

Meeting convened at 8:36 PM EST

- Present:

Ambrose Lane, Acie Byrd, Rob Robinson, Zarinah Shakir(10:15PM EST), Sarv Randhawa(left at 10:12 EST), Mary Berg, LaVarn Williams, Patty Heffley, Ray LaForest, Bob Lederer, Lisa Davis, Dave Adelson, Don White(joined 10:50PM EST), Lydia Brazon, Teresa Allen, Sandy Weinmann, Ken Freeland, Deb Shafto, Greg Guma, Lonnie Hicks, Steve Pierce(joined 9:43PM EST)

Absent:

R Montez Palacios, A Minsky

Chair reminded that prior meetings had agreed on procedure/process to limit debate on procedural motions (agenda changes, referrals, etc.): Chair may call for vote after 2 for/2 against. Agreed without objection.

M Berg Motion to approve agenda

B Lederer moved to reduce Ken Freeland suspension item from 20 to 5 min. Passed 9Yes-1No

Agenda approved as amended.

- L Davis Motion to postpone approval of 2-20-06 minutes to PNB meeting in Los Angeles. Passed without objection.

D Shafto will serve as timekeeper.

- Coordinating Committee Report:

G Guma gave report on 3 candidates for Race and Nationality Training. Dr. Shirley Better has been selected to lead the training.

Coordinating Cmte. Motion:

Race and Nationality Training "to have at least 6 hrs of Race and Nationality Training on 3-24-06." Approved without objection.

B Lederer wants to add discussion of how to address CPB requirements about Board composition to draft agenda. D Adelson will add.

L Brazon has arranged for STV count training Thursday evening 3-23-06.

G Guma raised issue of GM reports at PNB meeting.

K Freeland asked which committees have considerable pending business. Finance, Elections, Programming, Governance.

B Lederer asked that discussion of CPB issue of Board Composition, now proposed to occur during retreat, be made a public session, although at the same time as proposed. This issue may be discussed in both retreat and public session.

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P Heffley moved to amend "#5-- that the WPFW LSB may, as a remedy, choose

to count the two excluded ballots and allow the body to verify the ballots at the next WPFW's LSB meeting."

Dies for lack of second.

R Laforest moved to amend #5 to read "that the WPFW LSB may, as a remedy, choose* at its next meeting *to count the two excluded ballots and allow the elections supervisor, Angela Luria, to certify the results of the re-tabulation of ballots."

Failed 4Yes-8 No

Main Motion on WPFW Election Passed 8Yes-6 No.

- Finance Cmte. Motion on Budget Calendar.

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