Minutes of the KPFK Local Station Board Meeting of 12/01/2004

An adjourned meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Wednesday, December 1, 2004, at the UCLA Downtown Labor Center, 675 S. Park View St., Los Angeles, CA 90057-3306. No minutes were approved.

Twenty-two Members present, constituting a quorum: Grace Aaron, David Adelson, Sara Amir, Marie Deary (late), Jim DiEugenio, Israel Feuer (late), Bill Gallegos, Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman (late), Terry Goodman, Jane Hallaren, Alan Minsky (late), Ed Pearl, Margaret Prescod (late, left early), Leslie Radford, Julie Rodriguez, Madeleine Schwab, Fernando Velazquez (late), Donna Warren, Harrison Weil, Don White **Two Members absent:** Eva Georgia, Sonali Kolhatkar

Three Members excused: Sara Amir, Maria Armoudian, Nile ElWardani

Chair: Don White

Authority and Notice: This meeting was a continuation of the LSB meeting of November 7, 2004, at the Centro Maravilla Center in Los Angeles. Notice was posted on the KPFK website beginning on November 18, 2004 (APPENDIX A). Announcements were broadcast beginning 7 days before the meeting, pursuant to the schedule recommended in the Foundation Bylaws.

Terry Goodman recorded the meeting, and an audio version is available for posting on the KPFK website. Bracketed numbers in these minutes refer to section starts in the elapsed timings of five MP3 format audio files, named by date and sequentially numbered. A better recording may be obtained and substituted and/or used to fill media change gaps, which would change some elapsed timings.

The meeting was **called to order** at approximately 7:25 pm [20041201-kpfklsb_1.mp3, 0:40]. The agenda from the prior meeting was distributed (APPENDIX B) and a change **approved** by unanimous consent. **Motion** from T. Goodman [7:31]

Resolved, That the absences from this meeting of Sara Amir, Maria Armoudian, and Nile ElWardani be excused.

Motion passed by a show of hands.

YES 13

NO 0

ABSTAIN 1

The resignation of LSB Treasurer Sa-Ra Wyatt was **announced**.

The LSB heard a brief PNB report from Director Warren. No written report was submitted.

Margaret Prescod arrived at 7:29. Alan Minsky and Jan Goodman arrived at 7:38.

Motion from Warren [16:20]

Resolved, That the KPFK LSB authorizes \$400.00 to pay for up to thirty marchers from Pacifica to march in the Martin Luther King Day parade.

Motion failed by substitution.

Substitute **motion** from Radford [19:50]

Resolved, That the LSB authorizes KPFK to pay \$400.00 for up to thirty marchers from Pacifica to march in the Martin Luther King Day parade, and to request reimbursement from the National Office. **Motion passed** by a show of hands.

YES 12

NO 0

ABSTAIN 2

Israel Feuer **arrived** at 7:52. Marie Dearie **arrived** at 7:55. Fernando Velazquez **arrived** at 8:02 **Motion** from J. Goodman [31:00]

Resolved, That an ad-hoc committee be formed to coordinate Pacifica participation in the Martin Luther King Day parade.

Motion failed by substitution.

Substitute **motion** from Warren [32:00]

Resolved, That an ad hoc committee be formed to coordinate with Pacifica for hosting the next PNB meeting in Los Angeles, including Pacifica participation in the Martin Luther King Day parade.

Motion failed by substitution.

Point of order by T. Goodman [37:46]

A maker cannot withdraw a motion once seconded, but perhaps the substitute could be considered a motion to divide.

Well taken but too soon as to the first part, not well taken as to the second part. It is a substitute motion that is before the body.

Substitute substitute motion from Radford [33:00]

Resolved, That an ad-hoc committee be formed to coordinate with Pacifica for hosting the next PNB meeting in Los Angeles.

Further Resolved, That an ad hoc committee be formed to coordinate Pacifica's participation in the Martin Luther King Day parade to take place the week of the next PNB meeting in Los Angeles.

Motion passed by a show of hands. [20041201-kpfklsb 2, 1:00]

YES 12

NO 1

ABSTAIN 2

A sign-up sheet was prepared and distributed. Listeners were invited to volunteer.

Motion from Gluck [2:03]

Resolved, That KPFK broadcast announcements inviting listeners to get involved with the ad hoc committees.

With no second and no objection, the Chair **promised** to communicate this suggestion to the General Manager, as the will of the body.

The LSB heard PNB reports from Directors Adelson and Rodriguez. No written report was submitted. Motion from Weil [21:00]

Resolved, That we instruct our Directors to vote against any national programming policy that restricts or pre-empts local programming until the PNB considers a proposal from the KPFK LSB regarding areas of local autonomy.

Motion committed.

Motion to refer to the Programming Oversight Committee from Adelson [27:00]

Point of order from DiEugenio [30:00]

The main motion being referred should be stated before there is a vote on the motion to commit.

Not well taken. It is the motion to commit that is before the body and should be put. However, the main motion may be read as a courtesy to the Member.

A written copy of the motion was provided to the Secretary and read.

Main motion **referred** to committee by a show of hands[35:00].

YES 13

NO 5

ABSTAIN 0

There was a period of public comment beginning at 8:42 pm.

The LSB continued with its agenda at approximately 8:58 pm.

Ed Pearl left at 9:00. Margaret Prescod left at 9:06.

Motion from Hallaran (as amended) [20041201-kpfklsb 3, 21:40]

Resolved, That we move to old business for thirty minutes.

Motion accepted without objection.

Motion from T. Goodman [26:26]

Whereas, The PNB has budgeted \$25,000 for board training in Fiscal Year 2005,

Resolved, That the KPFK Local Station Board requests that the Executive Director approve allocation of up to \$4,000 to fund professional board training of the KPFK LSB, to take place in February or March, 2005.

Motion tabled.

There was discussion of the motion.

Motion from Gluck to table for consideration by the next LSB [31:00]

Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion from J. Goodman to table.

Motion passed.

YES 11

NO 4

ABSTAIN 0

Motion from Radford (divided) [33:45]

Whereas, In recent decades former KPFK management unfairly banned and fired programmers and producers in a systematic attempt to appeal to a mainstream audience; and

Whereas, This practice not only barred these alternative voices from being heard on KPFK's airwaves, but also alienated and disenfranchised communities of listeners; and

Whereas, Michael Taylor's banning and subsequent violent death have come to symbolize this period of aberration from Pacifica's Mission,

Therefore, it is Resolved:

That the KPFK Local Station Board apologizes to those who were banned and fired by past management in opposition to the Mission and to those listeners who were thereby alienated from KPFK, and seeks to make amends; and

That the KPFK Local Station Board assures its listeners that it will oppose such practices in the future; and That the KPFK Local Station Board will make every reasonable effort to remedy the past with efforts to provide programming for listeners disenfranchised by these events; and

That the following statement will be read on the air twice a month during drive time broadcasts for one year, and be made available to other programmers and producers to air as they wish:

"The KPFK Local Station Board apologizes to those programmers and producers who were banned and fired during prior management in opposition to the Mission, and we apologize to those listeners who were alienated from KPFK by these actions. The KPFK Local Station Board assures its listeners that it will oppose such practices in the future, and will make every reasonable effort to remedy the past by providing programming for listeners disenfranchised by these events. We ask our listeners and those who were our listeners to keep us vigilant and work with KPFK to help us make amends.â€

That a plaque will be hung in the lobby of the KPFK building designating the building as the Michael Taylor KPFK Building, with an apology to those who were banned and fired and their listeners, a commitment to be vigilant in opposition to future purges, and an acknowledgement of the price paid by Michael Taylor for his dedication to the Mission.

Motion divided and tabled.

There was discussion of the main motion.

Motion to divide from Hallaren [38:00]

Resolved, That the final paragraph of the motion be considered separately.

Motion to divide passed.

YES 11 NO 3

ABSTAIN 1

There was a segment of public comment, beginning at 9:51 pm. The LSB continued with its agenda at approximately 10:08 pm. **Motion** to table from T. Goodman [no audio, due to media change]

Motion to table failed.

YES 2 (Aaron, T. Goodman)

NO 13 (Adelson, DiEugenio, Feuer, Gallegos, Gluck, Hallaren, Minsky, Radford, Rodriguez, Schwab, Velazquez, Warren, Weil)

ABSTAIN 1 (J. Goodman)

Substitute **motions** from Adelson [20041201-kpfklsb_5,0:34]

Resolved, That the Program Oversight Committee meet with the "banned and fired" and develop language for an apology to be read on the air and an action plan for restitution.

Motion tabled.

Resolved, That a Michael Taylor Apprenticeship Program shall be established in acknowledgement of the price paid by Michael Taylor for his dedication to the Mission.

Motion tabled.

Motion to table from Adelson [49:00]

Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion from Gluck [50:00]

Resolved, That this agenda item be tabled and placed first on the agenda of the next LSB meeting. **Motion to table passed.**

Motion to place first on the agenda failed, if this is a special order. (2/3rd required) YES 9

NO 6

Motion from El-Wardani [52:50]

Resolved, That the Weil motion on listener input to the LSB agenda be the second item, after "Banned and Fired," at the next LSB meeting.

Motion accepted without objection.

Through general discussion, it was **decided** to schedule the next KPFK LSB meeting for Wednesday, December 15, 2004, beginning at 7:00 pm. Motion from J. Goodman [1:04:30] *Resolved*, That the next LSB meeting be at this same venue. Motion failed for lack of a second.

The meeting appeared to adjourn at approximately 10:25 pm.

Terry L. Goodman

KPFK LSB Secretary

These minutes were approved on 1/10/05.

APPENDIX A - Meeting Notice

From: Terry Goodman tiji@flex.com This email address is being protected from spam bots, you need Javascript enabled to view it Date: Thu Nov 18, 2004 5:42 am Subject: NOTICE - KPFK Local Station Board Meeting, 12/01/04, 7pm The KPFK Local Station Board will hold an adjourned meeting on Wednesday, December 1, 2004 at 7pm at the UCLA Downtown Labor Center, 675 S. Park View St., Los Angeles, CA 90057-3306. This will be a continuation of the meeting of November 11, 2004. The Downtown Labor Center is is located between Wilshire and 7th Street right across from MacArthur Park. When driving east on Wilshire from Vermont, you drive all the way to MacArthur Park and turn right on Park View a long block prior to Alvarado. There is secure parking in the lot behind the building and on the street directly in front of the building. Ref:

http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=content&task=view&id=445&Itemid=84

APPENDIX B - Agenda

=====PROPOSED AGENDA===========

KPFK LSB MEETING ~~~~ Dec. 1, 2004 ~~~~ UCLA Downtown Labor Center

I. Call to Order, Call of the Roll, Welcome & Acknowledgements, Review

of Agenda, Motion for Excused Absences [4 minutes]

II. Comments by the Chair: Report on status of Board Treasurer [3 minutes]

III. Pacifica National Board Directors' Report and Issues Surrounding PNB Coming to Los Angeles in January, 2005 [30 minutes]

IV. Local Station Board Retreat Report/ Work Plan [8 minutes]

V. Old Business [40 minutes]

VI. Determining Membership of LSB Arts Committee [7 minutes]

[Note: as you recall, four members volunteered for this committee: Margaret Prescod, Maria Armoudian, Ed Pearl and Leslie Radford. Is there further business under this agenda item?]

VII. Public Comment [30 minutes]

VIII. LSB voting on issues from tonight's agenda. At this point discussion limited to two pro/two con and then voting [12 minutes]

IX. Board Approval of LSB Minutes as yet unapproved. [12 minutes]

X. Brief Report and Recruitment for the December 18 KPFK LSB Town Hall Meeting [6 minutes] XI. Next Meeting; Motion for Adjournment [4 minutes]

APPENDIX C - Summary of Public Comments

This report on public comments has been prepared by the Secretary and is attached to the minutes for general reference. Inclusion of this report is no representation from the LSB or the speakers mentioned as to its accuracy or completeness, nor is it an endorsement of any content herein.

FIRST SESSION

Luis Garcia [20041201-kpfklsb_3, 2:30]

It was said at the East LA College LSB meeting that meetings would be "streamed." When will this happen? Minutes and audio should be posted. There also seems to be missing LAB minutes. All the old LAB minutes should be found and posted.

Margot Eiser

I have prepared draft minutes for the last LSB meeting, but couldn't get copies made. Please pass this around.

Lawrence Reyes

Harrison's motion should have been clarified, as a matter of decorum.

Rafael Renteria

The model proposed at the Los Angeles Bylaws Convention was to have a National Program Council made up of representatives from the Program Councils of each station.

Dele Ailemon

Why are LSB meetings moving around? Where's the outreach? Are the listeners here today going to be the only ones who attend the upcoming Town Hall?

SECOND SESSION

Audio from which to abstract the second segment of public comment was not available when this report was prepared. Speakers in that segment were Luis Garcia, Rafael Renteria, Lawrence Reyes, Dele Ailemon, Margot Eiser, Reza Pour, and Pope'.