Minutes of the KPFK LSB Meeting

December 15, 2004

(Draft Pending LSB Approval)

A regular meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Wednesday, December 15, 2004 at the UCLA Downtown Labor Center, 675 S. Park View Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057-3306. The Chair, Don White, was presiding; Terry Goodman was the acting Secretary.

Twenty Delegate were present for all or part of the meeting after quorum was obtained: Dave Adelson, Maria Armoudian, Jim DiEugenio, Nile ElWardani, Israel Feuer, Bill Gallegos, Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman, Terry Goodman, Jane Hallaren, Sonali Kolhatkar, Alan Minsky, Ed Pearl, Margaret Prescod, Leslie Radford, Madeleine Schwab, Fernando Velazquez (late), Donna Warren, Harrison Weil, Don White,

Three Delegates were absent: Sara Amir, Marie Deary, Julie Rodriguez

Also present: Eva Georgia

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm

Some absences may have been excused.

There was discussion of and amendment to the proposed agenda (see Appendix A). The agenda was **approved** (as amended).

Donna Warren **volunteered** to serve as Timekeeper. There was no objection.

Motion by Jim DiEugenio

That the time limit for speakers at this meeting be two minutes.

Motion passed without objection.

Motion by Dave Adelson (as amended by Radford)

That for the section of the divided motion on the banned and fired from Leslie Radford beginning "That a plaque will be hung..." the following text shall be substituted:

Resolved, that the LSB commit to raising funds for a named Michael Taylor Internship on an ongoing basis, and that notice of the internship be widely broadcast when it is offered.

Motion passed. Y:13, N:4, A:3

Resolution passed after public comment. Y:12, N:0, A:4

Voting on the other section of the divided motion was **tabled** after public comment.

Motion by Dave Adelson:

That for the section of the divided motion on the banned and fired from Leslie Radford beginning "Whereas, in recent decades..." and ending "... to help us make amends" the following text shall be

substituted:

Resolved, that the Programming 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 failed after public comment.

Y:5 (Adelson, Gluck, T. Goodman, Kolhatkar, Schwab)

N:9 (DiEugenio, Feuer, Gallegos, J. Goodman, Hallaren, Radford, Velazquez, Warren, Weil)

A:6 (Aaron, Armoudian, ElWardani, Minsky, Pearl, Prescod)

Point of order by Harrison Weil:

How is it proper procedure to vote to substitute one part of a divided motion before public comment, but it's not proper procedure to vote to substitute the other part of a divided motion before public comment?

Not well taken if the objection is to the previous motion to substitute. The local board's special resolution on the scheduling of public comment periods does not address the handling of substitute motions or require motions to postpone voting, so appropriate compliance will at times require timely objections to the following of what would otherwise be the normal parliamentary procedure of disposing of all pending questions at the completion of discussion or the expiration of time. **Well taken** if the objection is to the current motion to substitute, since the point of order with respect

Well taken if the objection is to the current motion to substitute, since the point of order with respect to that portion of the complaint is timely.

Motion by Bill Gallegos:

That the second substitute motion be voted upon prior to listener comment so that the public will know whether the original motion or the substitute will constitute the main motion.

Motion failed. Y:7, N:9

There was a fifteen minute segment of public comment.

There was voting on motions presumed postponed for public comment.

The substitute having failed, the first part of the divided motion from the meeting of December 1, 2004 was put to a vote.

Motion from Leslie Radford:

Whereas, in recent decades former KPFK management unfairly fired and banned 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 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 made available to other programmers and producers as they wish:

"The KPK 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."

Motion tabled prior to voting.

Motion by Jan Goodman

That the pending question be tabled to the next meeting.

Motion passed. Y:8, N:6

Motion by Jan Goodman

That any portion of the divided question not already tabled to the next meeting be tabled to the next meeting.

Motion withdrawn without objection.

There was an oral **report** by Madeleine Schwab on behalf of the Ad Hoc Town Hall Task Force.

There was an oral **report** from Donna Warren regarding the upcoming Los Angeles in-person PNB meeting and plans to march in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parade.

10:08 Motion by Jane Hallaren

Resolved, that the KPFK LSB not march in the Martin Luther King Day parade.

Motion failed. Y:2, N:5

Motion by Jim DiEugenio to adjourn.

Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry Goodman

Appendix A – Proposed Agenda

KPFK Local Station Board [LSB] Proposed Agenda

Wednesday, December 15, 2004 UCLA Downtown Labor Center/Parkview at Wilshire

- I. Call to Order, Call of the Roll. Welcome & Acknowledgements, Review & Approval of Agenda [8 minutes]
- II. Comments by the Chair [1 minute]
- III. Old Business ---- [a] Radford Motion on Banned & Fired [b] Weil Motion on "Board Agenda Items from Listener-Sponsors" / Item "a" opens with Adelson's subsidiary motions [substitute motions]. [35 minutes]
- IV. Public Comment [30 minutes]
- V. Board Votes—now limited to two pro and two con and then voting [10 minutes]
- VI. KPFK/LSB Town Hall Meeting—Dec. 18 [10 minutes]
- VII. Pacifica National Board Directors' report and Issues Surrounding PNB Coming to Los Angeles in January, 2005, including Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade [40 minutes]
- VIII. Approval of LSB Minutes [20 minutes]
 - IX. Committees: [a] Program Oversight Committee [b] Arts [c] Management Evaluation [d] Others?* [15 minutes]
 - X. Local Station Board Retreat Report/Work Plan [10 minutes]
 - XI. Mil Gracias a todos! Adjournment [2 minutes]
- * LSB Committees are [1] Programming Oversight, [2] Management Evaluation, [3] Outreach, [4] Finance/Development, [5] Committee of Inclusion, [6] Structure, [7] Arts