

Regular In-Person Meeting
February 7-10, 2014
The Beacon Hotel
Washington, D.C.

MINUTES
Saturday, February 8, 2014: PNB OPEN SESSION. 9:12 am (ET)

- I. A. Call to Order/ Opening Business.** Pro tem Chair Margy Wilkinson called meeting to order on Saturday, February 8, 2014, at 9:12 am, at the Beacon Hotel, Washington, D.C.

King moved that:

Consistent with the call from WPFW listeners, I move that this PNB reconsider its position to seat Tony Norman on this PNB which violates Art. 4, Sec. 2A, which prohibits the seating of an elected public official, which Tony Norman is. He serves in the District of Columbia as an Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner in ANC 1.

- B. Roll Call/ Establish Quorum.** Pro tem Secretary Cerene Roberts called the roll. Quorum achieved.

Box Legend Attendance: *X* Present; *Ab* Absent; *Exc* Excused Absence; *AL* Arrived Late.

KPFA - Berkeley, CA	KPFK - L.A., CA:	KPFT - Houston, TX:	WBAI - NY, NY:
<i>X</i> Brian Edwards-Tiekert	<i>X</i> Rodrigo Argueta	<i>X</i> Adriana Casenave	<i>X</i> Carolyn Birden
<i>X</i> Janet Kobren	<i>X</i> Lydia Brazon	<i>X</i> Hank Lamb	<i>X</i> Janet Coleman
<i>X</i> Jose Luis Fuentes-Roman	<i>X</i> Kim Kaufman	<i>X</i> George Reiter	<i>X</i> Cerene Roberts
<i>X</i> Margy Wilkinson	<i>X</i> Lawrence Reyes	<i>X</i> Richard Uzzell	<i>X</i> Manijeh Saba

WPFW – Wash., DC:	AFFILIATES:
<i>X</i> Jim Brown	<i>X</i> Heather Gray
<i>X</i> Benito Diaz	<i>X</i> Janis Lane-Ewart
<i>X</i> Luzette King	
<i>X</i> Tony Norman	

Norman raised as a Point of Order that (King's) motion was out of order:

Point of Order from Tony Norman that the Motion is out of order as it is an agenda amendment, he was seated on the PNB on January 30 without objection, it was not raised at the LSB upon his election to the PNB in January where the moving member was present and where he received more votes than any other member, and that the PNB has previously spent a day in open and closed session on this issue and ruled that the position was advisory.

Chair rules that Norman's point of order was well-taken and King's motion was out of order.

Uzzell challenges ruling of chair and requests roll-call vote.

Ruling of chair upheld: 11Y, 4N, 7 Abstentions

Yes: Edwards-Tiekert, Fuentes; Argueta, Brazon; Casenave, Lamb, Reiter; Roberts; Brown, Diaz, Norman

No: Kobren; Uzzell; Coleman; Gray

Abstain: Kaufman, Reyes; Birden, Saba; King; Lane-Ewart; Wilkinson

II. Orientation / Training

An orientation was conducted.

III. Election of 2014 PNB Officers

Chair:

King nominated Reiter.

Reyes nominated Wilkinson.

Uzzell moved that each Director be allowed to ask the candidates one question before the vote.

Lamb amended Uzzell motion that no comment and no preface go with the question.

Amendment passed 18Y

Motion as amended passed 15Y, 4N

Secretary pro tem Roberts chaired election process starting with statements from candidates for Chair followed by questions from Directors to candidates.

Acting Chair Roberts gave the following balloting instructions (transcribed verbatim):

“There are two names on the ballot. You may choose as many or as few as you wish. Your ballots are being distributed. They have numbers on the back. We don't know what the numbers are. You're picking your own number, you're picking your own sheet, so that if at some future date you decide you want to go see if number 21 was the magic one, you know how you voted. You can rank as many or as few of the candidates as you wish. We'll have two

members of the public collect the ballots when you're done voting, and they will do the tally publicly, as we did yesterday."

Candidate George Reiter added the following instruction (transcribed verbatim): "There is a little subtlety about the election which needs to be understood beforehand. It has to do with in case there's a tie. In case there's a tie, the second place votes are counted... so if you really don't want the other person, don't put them down for second... Does anyone not understand what I said? Is it not clear? If it is a tie, the tie is broken by the second place votes. You don't have to vote for anybody for second place, but you can. If the second place votes are a tie then we flip a coin."

Acting Chair Roberts summarized as follows (transcribed verbatim): "Is everyone clear? If you don't want someone in that position, do not rank them at all. Choose the one you want most, you can choose all or none. You may vote now."

Two members of the public serving as volunteer tellers collected, counted and tallied the ballots. They reported the first-place votes as follows: Reiter -11; Wilkinson - 11
The acting Chair asked "Are there any ballots that have more than one choice on them?"
The tellers reported that, of the ballots with Reiter marked number 1, one ranked Wilkinson number 2 and one ranked Wilkinson number 5. Of the ballots with Wilkinson marked number 1, one ranked Reiter number 2. All other ballots had no other ranking.
A third member of the public confirms the ballot tally.

Acting Chair Roberts declares Margy Wilkinson elected.

Kobren challenges the ruling of the chair.

Reiter moved that election process be postponed until after the local reports and public comment which follow lunch and executive session. The motion passes without objection.

Open Session of Saturday, February 8, 2014, adjourned to closed session lunch at approximately 12:47 pm.

Session resumes 3:45 pm with Chair pro tem Wilkinson presiding.

IV. WPFW Reports

WPFW Interim General Manager, Michelle Price Johnson and

WPFW Local Station Board Chair Ola Cole Laryea give their reports.

(Archive at Hour 5 (abt. 31 min. in the Saturday 2/8/14 archive at: <http://kpftx.org/archive.php>)

V. Public Comment. Comments made by Public. Text of comments shall not appear in the Minutes, but a record shall be maintained in the Recordings of the meeting.

This also includes Q&A with FCC Attorney Melodie Virtue, who discussed FCC rules with respect to non-profit FCC licenses entering into a Local Marketing Agreement (LMA) or Public Service Operating Agreement (PSOA).

- (Public Comment audio at Hour 6 (it's actually 1 hour and 32 min.) with LMA Q&A at Hour 7 – for about 25 minutes – in the Saturday 2/8/14 archive at: <http://kpftx.org/archive.php>)

Open Session recesses for dinner at approximately 6:29 pm and resumes at 7:50 pm.

WPFW Reports (resume)

Question & Answer period with PNB and WPFW's Interim General Manager and with its Local Station Board Chair.

(Audio at Hour 8 in the Saturday 2/8/14 archive at: <http://kpftx.org/archive.php>)

VI. Development - Fundraising Discussion

Report from Brian DeShazor, Director of the Pacifica Radio Archives.

(Audio at Hour 9 in the Saturday 2/8/14 archive at: <http://kpftx.org/archive.php>)

Lamb moved to have report from Coordinator of Affiliate Program and resolve Chair election tonight. Motion passes.

Report from Ursula Ruedenberg, Coordinator, Pacifica Affiliate Program including proposal to administer underwriting cooperative for Affiliate radio stations.

(Audio of presentation and Q&A at Hour 10 in the Saturday 2/8/14 archive at: <http://kpftx.org/archive.php>)

Open Session of Saturday, February 8, 2014, ends at approximately 11:11 pm.