

Minutes of the KPFK Local Station Board Meeting of 05/03/06

A regular meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at the UCLA Downtown Labor Center, 675 South Park View Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057, the Chair being in the chair and the Vice-Chair acting as Secretary. No minutes were approved.

Twenty-two members were present constituting a quorum: Grace Aaron, Dave Adelson, Sara Amir, Rodrigo Argueta, Lydia Brazon (leaves at 9:47 PM), Marie Deary, Israel Feuer, Bill Gallegos (leaves at 9:50 PM), Sherna Gluck, Jan Goodman, Terry Goodman, Kimberly King, Sonali Kolhatkar (leaves at 9:38pm), Arturo Lemus, Alan Minsky, Reza Pour, Margaret Prescod (leaves at 9:51 PM), Julie C. Rodriguez (leaves at 10:01 PM), Madeleine Schwab, Harrison Weil, Don White and Lamont Yeakey.

Also present: General Manager Eva Georgia and Secretary Carol Nealy (arrives at 8:45pm).

Two members were excused, having requested excuses prior to the meeting: Casey McFall and Fernando Velazquez.

Authority and Notice: This meeting was authorized by the LSB adoption of a regular meeting schedule at a special meeting on March 15, 2006. The annual schedule was subsequently posted on the KPFK web site. Specific notice was posted on the KPFK web site beginning on April 21, 2006 (see Appendix A). Announcements were broadcast beginning 7 days before the meeting, pursuant to the schedule recommended in the Foundation Bylaws.

I: Call to Order, Call of the Roll, Welcome & Acknowledgements, Review and Approval of the Agenda, Approval of Minutes, Motion for Excused Absences

The public meeting was **called to order** at approximately 8:20pm, after the conclusion of the closed meeting.

Motion: Jan Goodman moved to approve excused absences for Casey McFall and Fernando Velazquez.

Motion passed without objection.

The agenda was **approved** as amended (see Appendix B for un-amended draft).

[A] Governance

Without objection, the Governance Committee report was **scheduled** to follow the Finance Committee report.

[B] Finance/Development

Terry Goodman **reported** that the Finance Committee failed to achieve quorum on May 1st, and that its next meeting will be on the Monday prior to the LSB meeting.

There was general discussion regarding actual vs. projected listener income.

Motion: Jan Goodman moved to table the discussion until the General Manager's report.

Motion passed: Y:14, N:0, A:2

[A] Governance

Don White **presented** a verbal report, with additional comments from Lydia Brazon.

RECOMMENDATION: That the proposed bylaws amendment presented at the March PNB meeting be approved if and when it comes to a vote by the KPFK assembly of delegates.

Dave Adelson **reported** possible postponement of PNB consideration of this amendment to September.

Motion: Harrison Weil moved that the KPFK LSB ask the PNB to pass a resolution formally requesting that the white male affiliate director resign so that a female director of color can be selected, thereby achieving the diversity balance required for enhanced CPB funding.

Motion withdrawn, after discussion, without objection.

Point of order from Dave Adelson, that the question has been called.

Well taken.

[C] Management Review & Evaluation MRC 1st motion MRC 2nd motion \$5,000 for contracting

Sherna Gluck gave a verbal report, with additional comments from Margaret Prescod.

Motion (as amended): That the KPFK LSB request the expenditure of up to \$6,000 to utilize the services of a secure online company to administer the questionnaires designed by the Management Review Committee and analyze the results for both the 2005 GM and PD evaluations.

Motion passed: Y:16, N:0, A:2

Motion: That the PNB, in collaboration with the HR Director, the ED and legal counsel immediately develop a process for the bylaws-mandated evaluation of the GM and PD, including the role of the LSB in the evaluation process.

Motion referred back to committee for re-wording, without objection.

[D] Programming Oversight

Point of order from Jan Goodman, that the finance discussion was tabled until the arrival of the GM, who is here.

Not well taken, as the GM report agenda item has been re-scheduled to follow the committee reports agenda item.

Motion: The Programming Oversight Committee moves as follow:

That the LSB reconsider its adopted motion for monthly LSB Reports to the Listener in English and Spanish. Instead, the Programming Oversight Committee recommends quarterly reports in English and Spanish by the LSB, and time for the LSB in the monthly management Report to the Listener. In any event, the station should be urged to schedule a first report promptly.

Motion divided and referred.

Point of order from Dave Adelson that a motion to reconsider requires previous notice.

Not well taken. Amending a motion previously adopted requires previous notice to avoid a 2/3rd majority requirement, but notice of this motion was given in the committee's written report distributed at the last LSB meeting.

Point of order from Terry Goodman that a motion to reconsider is out of order at a subsequent meeting, so the motion should actually be to rescind or to amend a motion previously adopted.

Well taken, but the intent of the motion is clear, whatever it is called.

Motion: Terry Goodman moves to divide the question into a motion to rescind and the committee's new substitute proposal.

Motion passes: Y:17, N:0, A:0

Motion: Terry Goodman moves to rescind the motion previously adopted, which specified that the LSB have a monthly report to the listeners in English and Spanish.

Motion to rescind failed: Y:7, N:7, A:5

Motion: Dave Adelson moves that an Ad Hoc Committee be formed to produce the first LSB Report to the Listener.

Motion failed for lack of a second, but Dave announced a planning meeting to be held Sunday at 1 pm following the diversity training, with all interested invited. Jan Goodman volunteered to participate.

The remaining portion of the divided motion was **referred** back to committee, without objection.

Motion: The Programming Oversight Committee presents the following motion:

That an on-line "listener feedback corner" (on programming) be established on the station web site with an input form for listener comments that would go to PrOC members, with copies to particular programmer and management, and on-line links from program web pages; that an automatic response be sent to acknowledge receipt and explain the process of consideration (with US mail as non-electronic method of sending in comments.) Further, that the station should run a cart publicizing this method of encouraging and responding to listener feedback.

Motion passes: Y:10, N:0, A:8

There was discussion of progress (and lack of progress) on the National Spanish Language Newscast project.

Public comment was heard for five minutes.

III. Report by the General Manager [15 minutes]

There was a general discussion of the budget, contrasting monthly versus annual income projections, mentioning various possible FY07 LSB budget priorities, and discussing strategies for improving pledge fulfillment.

V. Public Comment [10 minutes]

Public comment was heard for nine minutes.

The GM **responded** to the comments and suggestions of the LSB and the public, outlined management's priorities that will be in its FY07 budget proposal and that are reflected in ongoing grant applications, and responded to additional questions from LSB members.

VI. Pacific National Board/Directors' Report [15 minutes]

Allen Minsky **gave** a verbal report, focusing on progress in defining a national program coordinator position. Dave Adelson **indicated** that there was insufficient time in the LSB meeting for a useful report, and offered to report comprehensively in a separate meeting. Don White **agreed** that more time was needed.

VII. Old Business

10:14 PM Town Hall

Kimberly King **gave** a verbal report, indicating that the committee needed more volunteers willing to work on Town Hall planning and coordination.

VIII. New Business [10 minutes]

New business was **postponed** until the next meeting.

X. Next Meeting/ Adjournment [3 minutes]

The next LSB meeting is Saturday, June 10, 2006.

IX. Public Comment [10 minutes]

Public comment was heard for two minutes.

Terry Goodman **gave notice** of three motions:

- 1) Motion to rescind the motion previously adopted, which specified that the LSB have a monthly report to the listeners in English and Spanish.
- 2) Motion to rescind the motion previously adopted ordering redaction of a portion of audio from an LSB meeting recording.
- 3) Motion to unseal the minutes of certain closed LSB meetings.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 10:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Nealy

KPFK LSB Secretary

These minutes were approved on 07/05/06.

Appendix A - Meeting Notice

A regular meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board (LSB) is scheduled for Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at 7:45 pm at the UCLA Downtown Labor Center, 675 S. Park View St., Los Angeles, CA 90057, overlooking MacArthur Park, just south of Wilshire Blvd. between Vermont Av. and Alvarado St. At 7:00 pm, before the public meeting, the LSB will meet in closed session to go over personnel matters.

The 2006 KPFK LSB meeting calendar and membership roster is online at http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=362&Itemid=100.

A 2006 PNB Committee roster is online at

http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1316&Itemid=102

Posting Refs:

http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1600&Itemid=100

http://www.kpfk.org/index.php?option=com_events&task=view_detail&agid=938&year=2006&month=05&day=03&Itemid=63

<http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=165346;article=39151>

<http://disc.server.com/discussion.cgi?disc=203188;article=8669>

APPENDIX B - Proposed Agenda

[There have been suggestions to reschedule Item VI to allow more time for item VII. -TLG]

Proposed Agenda

KPFK Local Station Board Meeting

May 3, 2006

UCLA Downtown Labor Center,
675 S. Park View Street
Los Angeles, CA

I: Call To Order, Call Of The Roll, Welcome & Acknowledgements, Review And Approval Of The Agenda, Approval Of Minutes, Motion For Excused Absences [8 Minutes]

II: Comments By The Chair [3 minutes]

III. Report by the General Manager [15 minutes]

IV: Committee Reports: [A] Governance [B] Finance/Development [C] Management Review & Evaluation [D] Programming Oversight [E]Outreach [F] Arts Committee [G] Committee Of Inclusion [All committees have 10 minutes as needed; some committee reports can be shorter = 45 minutes]

V. Public Comment [10 minutes]

VI. Pacific National Board/Directors' Report [15 minutes]

VII. Discussion of KPFFK '07 Budget Priorities [15 minutes]

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Public Comment [10 minutes]

XI. Next Meeting/ Adjournment [3 minutes]

(Consistent with Board Policy the Chair will call for Public Comment at various points in the agenda. Any unused portion of the 30minutes assigned to Public Comment will be used in Agenda Item VII.)