

Minutes of the KPFK Local Station Board Meeting of August 11, 2012

A special meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Saturday, August 11, 2012 at 1:17 PM at Peace Center West, 3916 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City, CA 90230, the Chair (Michael Novick) being in the Chair and the Secretary (John P. Garry III) being present. No minutes were approved.

Seventeen members were present, constituting a quorum:

Ken Aaron, Ankin Antaram (arrived 1:51), Fred Blair, Lydia Brazon, John Cromshaw, John De Simio, Aryana Gladney, Tej Grewall (1:21), Leonard Isenberg, Kim Kaufman, Jim Lafferty, Brenda Medina (1:40), Margie Murray, Michael Novick, Summer Reese (1:20), Lawrence Reyes, John Wenger.

Four members were excused: Chuck Anderson, Fred Klunder, Ali Lexa, Dutch Merrick.

Three members were absent: Rodrigo Argueta, John Parker, Lamont Yeakey.

Also present: Bernard Duncan (KPFK General Manager) and members of the public.

Authority and Notice: This meeting was authorized by the LSB by a motion approved at its meeting of July 28, 2012. The date was posted on KPFK.org, KPFTX.org and other websites beginning on August 3, 2012 (see Appendix A).

Audio Recording: Due to a technical error the audio of the meeting is not available.

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL (1:17)

The meeting was **called to order** by the Chair at 1:17 PM with a quorum of 13.

EXCUSED ABSENCES (1:21)

The excused absence requests of Anderson and Lexa were approved without objection.

GROUND RULES FOR COMMUNICATION (1:21)

Chair reiterated ground rules for Board communication and public participation. A speaking time limit of 90 seconds per speaker time was established for Board comments.

II. SCHEDULING (1:22)

Wednesday, August 29, 2012 was approved as the next meeting date by a roll call vote.

AGENDA APPROVAL (1:28)

Wenger **moved** a counter-agenda to the Proposed Agenda. No vote taken. Kaufman **moved** to postpone discussion of the Town Hall Task Force Report until the end of the meeting.

Motion **passed** by a show of hands: Yes—7, No—6, Abstain—1.

The Agenda was approved without objection.

III. GENERAL MANAGER FY2013 BUDGET PRESENTATION (1:33)

The GM reported on the FY2013 Budget with a digital projection. (1:52) Discussion followed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT I (2:25)

Public comment was heard for six minutes.

V. FINANCE COMMITTEE ANALYSIS OF KPFC FY2013 BUDGET (2:32)

The Finance Committee Chair declined to report because she had not have time enough to review the budget. Discussion of the budget continued.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT II (3:03)

Public comment was heard for eight minutes.

VII. BOARD DISCUSSION OF BUDGET (3:11)

Murray **moved**: The station shall send out a mailing for donations so fund-drive days can be shortened. Reyes seconded. Brazon **moved to amend**: The mailing shall be at the end of the year, no later than December 1. Seconded.

Amendment **failed** by a show of hands: Yes—5, No—8.

The main motion was **passed** by a show of hands: Yes—15, No—1, Abstain--0.

Grewall **moved**: The station shall establish a local evening newscast by October 1 so that listeners will have an incentive to donate to the station. Lafferty seconded.

Motion **passed** by a show of hands: Yes—13, No—1, Abstain--1.

Novick **moved**: The LSB shall conduct an annual fundraising event or campaign to benefit the station commencing no later than early December 2012. Individual members of the LSB shall have the responsibility in generating at least \$_____ in funds via this event or campaign (through raffling off chances, sale of tickets, arrangements for reservations by supportive organizations, etc). Lafferty

seconded.

Kaufman **moved** (amended by Cromshaw) to set adjournment at 4:15. Seconded. The Chair committed to end the meeting at 4:15.

Cromshaw **moved to divide**. The Chair divided the motion without objection.

Motion Part 1: The LSB shall conduct an annual fundraising event or campaign to benefit the station commencing no later than early December 2012.

Motion **passed** by a show of hands: Yes—17, No—0, Abstain—1.

Motion Part 2: Individual members of the LSB shall have the responsibility in generating at least \$_____ in funds via this event or campaign (through raffling off chances, sale of tickets, arrangements for reservations by supportive organizations, etc).

Reyes **moved to table**. Motion **tabled** without objection.

Wenger **moved**: The LSB shall establish funding priorities by an STV election. Members shall forward priorities via email (see Appendix C for complete text). Reese seconded.

Brazon **moved to substitute**: Use Wenger's emailed priorities list as a ballot form for consideration at the next meeting. Wenger shall tabulate the results. The deadline for submission shall be a week from today, August 20. Lafferty seconded. Motion **withdrawn** after discussion.

Reese **moved to substitute**: There shall be an online poll. LSB members shall forward budget priorities. Results shall be forwarded to the GM.

XII. TOWN HALL TASK FORCE REPORT (4:00)

Reyes and Ankin reported on the format for the upcoming on-air Town Hall Meeting.

The budget discussion resumed at 4:06 PM.

The substitute motion **passed** by a show of hands: Yes—14, No—1, Abstain--2.

The new main motion **passed** by a show of hands: Yes—16, Abstain—1.

Motion to extend 7.5 minutes for listener comments **passed** without objection.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT III (4:15)

Public comment was heard for five minutes.

The meeting **adjourned** due to the expiration of time at 4:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted by John P. Garry III, Secretary
(these minutes were approved on August 29, 2012)

Appendix A—Public Notices

Emailed by Terry Goodman on Friday, August 3, 2012 8:09:28 PM

The KPFK Local Station Board will hold a special meeting focused on approval of a budget for the 2013 fiscal year on Saturday, August 11, 2012 at 1:00 PM at the Culver City Peace Center, 3916 S. Sepulveda Blvd, Culver City, CA 90230-4640.

Refs:

<http://www.kpfb.org/lspbmenu/93-calenderandnotices/6278-lsb-special-meeting-8112012-100-pm.html>

http://www.kpftx.org/pacalendar/cal_show1.php?eventdate=20120811

http://www.kpfb.org/eventcal.html?task=view_detail&agid=2922&year=2012&month=08&day=11

Appendix B—Approved Agenda

**Proposed Agenda for the KPFK Special LSB Meeting of 8-11-2012
(all agenda times include Board discussion)**

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| I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Excused Absence Requests, Agenda Approval, Ground Rules for Communication | (10 min) |
| II. Scheduling / Location / Notice of Meetings | (5 min) |
| III. General Manager FY2013 Budget Presentation | (30 min) |
| IV. Public Comment I | (7.5min) |
| V. Finance Committee Analysis of KPFK FY2013 Budget | (30 min) |
| VI. Public Comment II | (7.5 min) |

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| VII. Board Discussion of Budget | (30 min) |
| VIII. Public Comment III (before pending motions) | (7.5 min) |
| IX. Board Votes on Motions | (25 min) |
| X. Public Comment IV | (7.5 min) |
| XI. Board vote on budget | (5 min) |
| XII. Town Hall Task Force Report | (5 min) |
| | total 170 min |

Appendix C--Motion from John Wenger:

I move that during our Special Meeting on the Budget, we list our individual budget priorities, and then discuss them for a while, and then vote on them using STV to get the results for the entire group.

To get this process started, here are my budget priorities for the next Fiscal Year as of right now, and before I hear the ideas of the other members.

1. Cap the fund driving for FY 2013 at 83 days or less. This was a motion passed by the Finance Committee Monday Afternoon, and Bernard said that he does not oppose this.
2. Local News seven days per week. News is one of the three legs of the Mission.
3. Producers to support volunteer programmers.
4. Paid Programmers who bring in more money than their shows cost (total expenses, salaries, producers, phone calls, etc.).
5. Union jobs, Non-Programmers, Preservation.
6. Paid Programmers Who Don't Pay Their Own Ways Preservation.
7. Managerial Staff: Assistant mgrs and admin staff preservation.

The next step is to add the priorities of the other LSB members to the list, and to discuss them. The last step is voting on them at the end of the meeting to provide our directions to the GM for constructing a FY 2013 Budget that implements our priorities.

I move that we vote on these priorities completely openly, with a roll call vote, recorded by the Secretary.

I will bring software for counting the votes during or just after the meeting if the board wants immediate results.

John Wenger
