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APPROVED MINUTES

KPFK Local Station Board

Special Meeting of February 10, 2022

Re: Budget for FY 2021-2022

(via Zoom)

- I. Opening Business (28 min)
 - a. Call to Order 6:09 PM Michael Novick presiding. The Secretary calls the roll:

Delegates present: Grace Aaron, Allan Beek, Jose Benavides, Fred Blair, Miquel Calçada (KPFK General Manager), Marisol Cruz, Bella De Soto, Eric C. Jacobson, Evelia Jones, Ali Lexa, Rob Macon, Michael Novick, Oye Oyeyipo, Myla Reson, Lawrence Reyes, Ziri Rideaux, Paul Roberson, Oscar Ulloa, Polina Vasiliev, Beth von Gunten, and Harvey Wasserman.

Delegates Absent: Christina Avalos, Sandy Childs, Barbara Marbach, and Carlos Zavala.

Also Present: Jim Dingeman (PNB Delegate for WBAI), John P.Garry III, Ralph Hawkins (Secretary), Michael Heiss, Kim Kaufman (Treasurer), James Sagurton (PNB Finance Committee), Ruth Strauss, and Stephanie Wells (Pacifica Executive Director).

b. Approval of Agenda / Appointment of Timekeepers

The Chair recites the meeting agenda. Myla Reson and Michael Heiss volunteer to share duty as timekeepers.

Motion by Myla Reson and second by Ali Lexa to amend the agenda by adding 10 minutes for Treasurer Kim Kaufman to report on the Finance Committee budget meeting, following the General Manager's budget presentation and discussion. The agenda is amended without objection.

- c. Land-Back Acknowledgement Comportment: Read by the Chair.
- d. Consider Excused Absence Requests



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Sandy Childs has requested an excused absence. Calling for objections, and hearing none, the Chair declares the request is accepted.

- e. Pacific Mission Statement: Read by Bella De Soto.
- f. Appeal for Members and Funds is made by the Chair.

II. General Manager's Budget Presentation (7 min)

The Chair invites the General Manager to proceed with his budget report.

Bella De Soto moves to go to a closed session. Point of Order by Grace Aaron stating there is no precedent for budgets in general to be considered in closed session and that the Listener-Members have every right to see transparency in budget discussions. Other members take the floor in support of the Point of Order. The Chair notes that closed sessions are strictly meant for the discussion of specific personnel issues and to protect other proprietary information. The Chair recognizes a consensus to remain in open session and calls for the General Manager's budget presentation.

GM Miquel Calçada takes the floor to present his budget proposal.

(Allan Beek announces is leaving the meeting)

The Chair wishes to proceed with the Treasurer's report, with questions for the GM and the Treasurer to follow.

III. Treasurer's Report (5 min)

Treasurer Kim Kaufman presents her analysis of the proposed budget. The Treasurer recommends that the proposed budget should be rejected by the Board.

IV. Main Motion The motion from the Finance Committee reads as follows:

"Moved that the FC rejects the FY22 deficit budget. We recommend a special meeting of the LSB with the GM to deal with the budget as soon as possible."



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The Chair opens the floor to Board members' questions and discussion with the opportunity for response from the Treasurer and the General Manager.

- a. LSB members questions and discussion (20 min)
- **b.** Public comments and discussion (30 min)

V. Substitute Motion (9 min)

The Chair proposes a substitute motion to the main motion.

"Moved that the budget be adjusted to reflect a higher daily intake during fund drives for February and the actuals for the previous dives during this fiscal year, and still larger daily support for the final two drives, plus income derived from a goal of 1000 new basic members a month for the remainder of the year, and one additional sustainer each day. Additional revenue from grants should also be estimated. The LSB also recommends a further reduction in central services payments, including for the PRA, and a commitment from the Foundation to make the PRA a source of income to the Foundation by monetizing the archival material."

So moved Bella De Soto. Second by Lawrence Reyes.

The Chair asks for a roll call vote. The Secretary records the vote as follows:

Grace Aaron (No), Allan Beek (left the meeting), Jose Benavides (Yes), Fred Blair (No), Marisol Cruz (Yes), Bella De Soto (Yes), Eric C. Jacobson (No), Evelia Jones (No), Ali Lexa (No), Rob Macon (Abstain), Michael Novick (Abstain), Oye Oyeyipo (No), Myla Reson (No), Lawrence Reyes (Yes), Ziri Rideaux (No), Oscar Ulloa (Yes), Polina Vasiliev (Yes), Beth von Gunten (No), and Harvey Wasserman (No).

Vote totals 6 yea, 10 nay, and one abstention. The substitute motion fails.

VI. Consideration of the Main Motion on the Proposed Budget for FY 2022 (4 min)

The Motion is to adopt the resolution from the Finance Committee:

"Moved that the FC rejects the FY22 deficit budget. We recommend a special meeting of the LSB with the GM to deal with the budget as soon as possible."



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The Chair calls for the roll. The Secretary records the vote as follows.

Grace Aaron (Yes), Allan Beek (left the meeting), Jose Benavides (left the meeting), Fred Blair (Yes), Marisol Cruz (No), Bella De Soto (No), Eric C. Jacobson (Yes), Evelia Jones (Yes), Ali Lexa (Yes), Rob Macon (Yes), Michael Novick (No), Oye Oyeyipo (No), Myla Reson (Yes), Lawrence Reyes (No), Ziri Rideaux (Yes), Oscar Ulloa (No), Polina Vasiliev (No), Beth von Gunten (Yes), and Harvey Wasserman (Yes).

The vote count is 10 yea, 7 nay, and no abstentions. The motion *to reject* the budget is affirmed.

VII. Motion to Adjourn 8:21 PM by Myla Reson. Second by Polina Vasiliev. Meeting adjourned by consensus.