#### WBAI LOCAL STATION BOARD Finance Committee Meeting Minutes October 19, 2022

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**Voting Members Attending:** Adriana Casenave, Jack DePalma, Jim Dingeman, Bruce Greif, John Hoffman, Noel Jameson, R. Paul Martin, Matt Mazza, Carolyn McIntyre, Darryl McPherson, Alejandrina Murphy, Berthold Reimers, Cerene Roberts, James Sagurton, Nancy Saibara-Noritomi, Geoffrey Sterne, Neale Vos, Michael D.D. White, M. Kay Williams

Also Attending: Ben Garone Caine, Denise Joyce, Mario Mastrandrea,

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## Agenda:

- 1. Call to order 7:00 PM ET
- 2. Approval of agenda (20 minutes)
- 3. Identify time keeper (2 minutes)
- 4. One minute of silence for Pat Logan (1 minute)
- 5. Excuse absences (5 minutes)
- 6. Minutes approval (10 minutes)
- 7. Treasurer's Report (15 minutes)
- 8. General Manager's Report on WBAI's finances (30 minutes)
- 9. General Manager presents draft FY22 Budget (75 minutes)
- 10. Set next meeting date (5 minutes)
- 11. New Business
- 12. Adjourn no later than 9:30 PM ET

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm ET, a quorum being present, and Chair R. Paul Martin and secretary M. Kay Williams being present.

The following agenda items were then discussed:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Adopt the Agenda (20 min)
- 3. Identify Time Keeper (2 min)
- 4. One Minute of Silence for Pat Logan (1 min)
- 5. Excuse absences (5 min)
- 6. Minutes Approval (10 min)

**Motion:** (R. Paul Martin) To adopt the agenda. Adopted without objection at 7:10 pm.

**Motion:** (R. Paul Martin) To approve Geoffrey Sterne as timekeeper. Passed without objection at 7:11pm

There followed one minute of silence at 7:12 pm for Pat Logan, who died.

The chair ruled there were no excused absences. 7:13 pm,

**Motion:** (Cerene Roberts) 7:20 pm: To appeal the ruling of the chair re unexcused absence of William Heerwagen

The chair's ruling was upheld by roll call vote with 7 yes votes, 4 no, and 4 abstentions.

**Motion:** (M. Kay Williams) To accept the 9-7-22 meeting minutes sent to the list serv on 9-18-22.

Passed without objection.

The following agenda Item was then discussed, starting at 7:39 pm

## 6. Treasurer's Report (15 minutes)

R. Paul Martin also reported on the National Finance Committee, accessible on KPFTX.ORG

The committee discussed the report.

**Motion:** (Jim Dingeman) To extend the discussion 5 minutes passed without objection at 7:58 pm.

The following agenda items were then discussed.

- 7. General Manager's Report on WBAI's finances (30 minutes)
- 8. General Manager presents draft FY22 Budget (75 minutes)

The General Manager's Report was presented by Berthold Reimers at 8:12 pm.

The committee discussed the report.

**Motion:** (Jim Dingeman) 8:41 pm. To extend the discussion 20 minutes.

**Amendment:** (Cerene Roberts) 8:42 pm. To extend the discussion 15 minutes.

The chair ruled that a motion to extend the time was not debatable.

The amendment failed by roll call vote at 8:48 pm with 4 yes, 9 no, and 6 abstentions.

The original motion passed without objection and the discussion was extended 20 minutes.

**Motion:** (R. Paul, Michael D.D. White) To extend the discussion 6 minutes.

Passed by roll call vote at 9:08 pm with 11 yes, 2 no, 4 abstentions.

The General Manager's presentation on the FY22 budget began at 9:22 pm.

The committee discussed the FY22 Budget.

**Motion:** (R. Paul) To extend the discussion 3 minutes.

Passed by roll call vote at 9:37 pm, with 13 yes, 1 no, and 2 abstentions.

**Motion:** (R. Paul) Reintroduced his motion from last meeting to send the budget as reported at last meeting to the LSB for its approval.

**Amendment:** (Cerene Roberts) To send the Budget FY22 to the LSB with the following changes:

1. All paid engineering shifts to end at 10 pm.

- 2. Local management be asked to voluntarily defer 10% of its salary for 6 months.
- 3. PNB to subsidize health care premiums for staff who choose coverage under domestic partners or spouse insurance, or a government policy, instead of using Pacifica health benefits.
- 4. The WBAI Finance Committee of the Local Station Board will request that rents received for WBAI's subcarriers will continue to be paid directly to the PNB, and not count as income for WBAI, but the amounts will be credited to WBAI's current Central Services bill.

The committee discussed these amendments.

**Motion:** (Jim Dingeman) To extend the discussion 15 minutes passed without objection at 9:51pm.

**Motion:** (M. Kay Williams) 10:10 pm. To divide the question and vote on each of the four amendments separately.

The chair ruled that a motion to divide must be upheld and didn't require a vote.

Separate Roll Call Votes were taken on each amendment with the following results:

- 1. All paid engineering shifts to end at 10 pm. Failed with 3 yes, 10 no, 2 abstentions.
- 2. Local management to voluntarily defer 10% salary for 6 months. Failed with 5 yes, 10 no, 1 abstention.
- 3. PNB subsidize premiums of staff who find alternative health coverage. Failed with 6 yes, 10 no, 0 abstentions.
- 4. WBAI get credit on current Central Services bill for subcarrier rent which will still go directly to the PNB. Passed at 9:26 pm with 9 yes, 7 no, and 0 abstentions.

The original motion passed without objection.

**Motion:** (Daryl McPherson) To extend the meeting 4 minutes passed without objection at 10:24 pm.

The Committee then discussed the following agenda items:

# 9. Set next meeting date (5 minutes)

#### 10. New Business

**Motion:** (R. Paul) To set next meeting date Nov 30 at 7 pm. Passed without objection.

There was no new business

Motion: (Michael D.D. White) To adjourn. Passed without objection at 10:34 pm.

Adjourned at 10:34 pm (ET) Submitted by M. Kay Williams, Secretary