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APPROVED MINUTES

KPFK Local Station Board

Meeting of January 23, 2022

(via Zoom)

I. Call to Order 10:59 AM

Michael Novick presiding. This is a continuation of the meeting of January 19, 2022. The Chair calls for the roll to be taken. John Garry to serve as timekeeper. Ralph Hawkins is Secretary.

Delegates present: Grace Aaron, Jose Benevides, Sandy Childs, Marisol Cruz, Bella De Soto, Eric C. Jacobson, Evelia Jones, Ai Lexa, Rob Macon, Barbara Marbach, Michael Novick, Oye Oyeyipo, Myla Reson, Lawrence Reyes, Ziri Rideaux, Paul Roberson, Oscar Ulloa, Polina Vasiliev, Beth von Gunten, and Carlos Zavala.

Absent: Fred Blair and Harvey Wasserman are excused.

Listener-Members participating include Sue Cohen-Johnson, Jeanine Rohn, and Ruth Strauss.

II. PNB Directors' Reports & Discussion

Ali Lexa, Lawrence Reyes, and Beth von Guten spoke to current issues before the Pacifica National Board. (*Written reports are appended below*). The Directors fielded questions from the Board and Listener-Members. Time allotted for this agenda item was extended, and discussion ensued for approx. 40 minutes.

III. Committee Reports

Oversight Committee efforts were covered by Beth von Gunten. Activity by the Outreach Committee was reported by Bella De Soto. Efforts of the Fundraising Committee were detailed by Jeanine Rohn. Michael Novick emphasized the importance of increasing Listener-Member participation in the Community Advisory Board, as well as all standing committees of the Local Station Board.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Kim Kaufman gave a report for the Finance Committee. Questions and answers ensued for approx. 15 minutes.

V. Motion to Adjourn 12:31 PM by Fred Blair, Second by Beth von Gunten. Hearing no objections, the Chair adjourns the meeting.

APPENDIX: PNB Directors' Reports

Lawrence Reyes, KPFK PNB Listener Director Report 01/19/2022

The PNB has hired an Executive Director, Stephanie Wells, and she has already hit the ground running with help in the transition from the outgoing and very effective Interim Executive Director, Lydia Brazon, who navigated our Network and Foundation through some very challenging situations. We the PNB and the Pacifica National Office have been approved for another EIDL Loan of a substantial amount, and we are in the tail end of the review process.

Pacifica has also closed on the Houston property that housed KPFT, and soon KPFT will be building out a new Station Site to be determined.

Two affiliate directors have been elected to serve on the PNB this year after a By-Laws Challenge to the election by me. The Elections Committee has been reviewing complaints related to the recent election and working on proposals for ensuring a Bylaws compliant election this year. The Programming Committee is working on a proposal for special national programming during Black History Month in February. The 2022 PNB will convene towards the end of the month when directors have been elected at all five stations.

PNB Directors Report Ali Lexa Al-Hilali Tue Jan 18, 2022

Since the last LSB meeting the PNB has selected a new executive director.

As a member of the Personnel Committee I can report the process was thorough and the result of hard work by all the members. In spite of numerous obstacles and difficulties encountered along the way, the PNB has made their final selection.

The fine points of the contract with the new ED have been finalized and Pacifica's Legal Counsel along with our HR representative have finalized the hiring of the new ED Stephanie Wells, who is eager to start and get to work. Her official start date was Jan 16, 2022

The PNB also voted to retain the current iED for a transition period.

An EIDL load has been finalized with the current amount of the loan set at \$2million and the distribution of the loan to Pacifica is expected to take place very soon.

The sale of the old KPFT building in Houston has also been finalized and the search for a new facility for that station is already underway.

Thank you, Ali Lexa Al-Hilali KPFK PNB Staff Representative