# Draft Agenda - *Public* Version Pacifica National Board Session Teleconference Meeting Thursday, September 21, 2023, 8:30 pm ET All times are Eastern Time

(meeting notice appended to the end of this agenda)

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#### Others:

Stephanie Wells, Executive Director Arthur Schwartz, Pacifica Counsel Nancy Sorden, Secretary

- 1. Preliminary Items -5 min.
  - A. Call to Order by Chair
  - B. Roll Call
  - C. Report-out from the executive session of September 7, 2023 meeting of the PNB: The PNB met in closed session to discuss confidential personnel and contractual matters and took no action.
  - D. Excused Absences
  - E. Identify Timekeepers
- 2. Agenda approval for the open portion of the agenda -5 min.
- 3. Approve minutes of open sessions -5 min.
- 4. Issue of Disqualification of Candidates at WBAI 20 min.
- 5. KPFK LSB Committee Elections Issue 30 min.
- 6. ED Report and Q & A 20 min.
  - a. Update on CABs at Pacifica Stations
- 7. General Counsel Report and Q & A 10 min.

- 8. Motion from Strategic Planning Committee 15 min.
- 9. Motion on Community Advisory Boards from Strategic Planning Committee (see APPENDIX) 5 min.
- 10. Unfinished business -5 min.
  - a) Protocol for Members to Voice Concerns about Staff, from 7/20/2023
  - b) Cleaned up version of Underwriting motion from 11/17/2022
- 11. New Business 5 min.

Motions forwarded to PNB Secretary and PNB at least 48 hours prior are presumed to be included here.

- Any motions sent after, if voted onto the agenda as an amendment.
- 12. Motion to Move into Executive Session at time certain of 10:30 pm 1 min.
- 13. Agenda approval for executive portion of the agenda -5 min.
- 14. Approve minutes of closed sessions 5 min.
- 15. Confidential Contractual Matter 40 min.
- 16. Confidential Financial Matter 30 min.
- 17. General Counsel Report and Q & A 15 min.
- 18. ED Report and Q & A 15 min.
- 19. Confidential Disciplinary Matter 10 min.
- 20. Confidential Disciplinary Matter 10 min.
- 21. Unfinished Business 5 min.
- 22. New Business 1 min.
- 23. Discuss what from this session may be shared with LSBs in closed session 5 min.
- 24. Report-out for kpftx.org and for reading at the next open session -3 min.
- 25. Rise and report (includes reading the report-out) -1 min.
- 26. Adjourn at a time certain of 12:00 am ET.

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#### **APPENDIX**

============ FOR OPEN SESSION ==============

## 8. Motion on Community Advisory Boards from SPC

The Strategic Planning Committee of the PNB recommends that the Executive Director gather fundraising and audience data from the stations. This information should be as granular as can be, with details about what shows are raising money as well as which premiums are functioning to increase revenue on an hourly basis. It should cover the entire 24/7 grid of each station.

This information is necessary to reinforce the grids and help decision making as to what the current state of health of the Foundation is. This financial data supplements the motions made in this regard in 2022 and 2023. This information needs to be supplied in the next two weeks to the ED starting from September 21, 2023.

# 9. Motion on Community Advisory Boards from SPC

WHEREAS, the Pacifica National Board (PNB) has resolved to pursue actively Community Service Grants (CSG's) and other programs offered by the Corporation of Public Broadcasting to support public and community broadcasting throughout the United States. One of the requirements for successfully completing the application process is to prove that Community Advisory Boards are set up and functioning with PROOF of their existence,

The CPB requires that the recipient annually certify "their compliance with the CAB requirements. This certification is a part of CPB's required CSG Agreement and Certification of Eligibility."

BE IT RESOLVED that all Local Station Boards are required to give an update in writing as to the status of the Community Advisory Boards at each station, KPFA, KPFT, WBAI, WPFW and KPFK by the next regularly scheduled meeting of the PNB. This report should include written confirmation of the following facts:

- A-Does a community advisory board exist?
- B-What is its composition?
- C-How was it formed?
- D-How many times has it met during the past year?
- E-Does it meet at "regular intervals annually"?
- F-Do its members regularly attend its meetings?
- G-Is its composition "reasonably representative of the diverse needs and interests of the communities served by such station."?
- H-Has it reviewed "the programming goals established by the station, the service provided by the station, and the significant policy decisions rendered by the station."? Do such reports exist in writing?
- I-Is there proof of the announcement of CAB meetings to the public via save Mp3's, engineer logs, website postings and other forms of verification?

J-Has the CAB advised the "the governing body of the station with respect to whether the programming and other policies of the station are meeting the specialized educational and cultural needs of the communities served by the station"?

K-Has the CAB made in written and oral form any "recommendations as it considers appropriate to meet such needs."?

L-What rules do the CABs practice regarding absences, latenesses and removing members who do not participate?

# 10a. Discussion on Protocol for Members to Voice Concerns about Staff

Sample website content that would be required on every unit's webpage:

Members who wish to voice concerns about staff or programs can send an email to <a href="mailto:concerns@pacifica.org">concerns@pacifica.org</a>. Station staff report to the General Manager, who reports to the Executive Director, who reports to the Pacifica National Board. Concerns about staff are generally personnel issues which should be handled by management rather than elected delegates or directors. Management will routinely monitor emails sent to <a href="mailto:concerns@pacifica.org">concerns@pacifica.org</a> and ensure that the appropriate actions are taken. Concerns about Pacifica policy can be sent to the LSB (insert station's LSB email) or to the PNB (<a href="mailto:pnb@pacifica.org">pnb@pacifica.org</a>) as appropriate. Delegates serve as volunteers and will take up your concerns as time and priorities permit.

============= FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION ===============

### **MEETING NOTICE:**

Thursday, September 21, 2023

**Pacifica National Board** 

**Purpose:** The second regular meeting of the month. Part of the meeting may be closed.

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