

Minutes of the KPFK Local Station Board Meeting

**August 15, 2004**

(DRAFT – Subject to LSB Approval)

An adjourned meeting of the KPFK Local Station Board was held on Sunday, August 15, 2004 in the basement of the Echo Park United Methodist Church, 1226 N Alvarado St, Los Angeles, CA 90026-3127, with Vice Chair Maria Armoudian presiding and Terry Goodman serving as Secretary. No minutes were approved.

**Fifteen Delegates were present during all or part of the meeting:** Grace Aaron, Dave Adelson, Maria Armoudian, Jim DiEugenio (arrived at 1:58), Israel Feuer, Sherna Gluck (left at 3:47), Jan Goodman, Terry Goodman, Jane Hallaren, Sonali Kolhatkar, Alan Minsky (arrived at 2:04), Ed Pearl, Leslie Radford, Madeleine Schwab, Harrison Weil

**Six Delegates were excused:** Marie Deary, Bill Gallegos, Margaret Prescod, Julie Rodriguez, Fernando Velazquez, Don White

**Three Delegates were absent:** Sara Amir, Nile ElWardani, Donna Warren

**Also absent:** General Manager Eva Georgia, Treasurer Simone Wyatt

**Authority and Notice:** This meeting was authorized by a motion approved at the LSB meeting of August 1, 2004. Specific notice was posted on the KPK web site and announcements were broadcast beginning at least 7 days before the meeting, pursuant to the schedule recommended in the Foundation Bylaws, though technically not required for adjourned meetings.

The meeting was **called to order** at 1:24 pm.

This being an adjourned meeting, the approved agenda from the previous meeting was continued, but there was discussion to determine what business had been completed and what business had been postponed to allow listener comment.

**Motion** from Ed Pearl:

That LSB discussions proceed under the Round system, whereby each member has one opportunity to speak on an issue, unless the body decides by majority vote either to have a second round or to proceed to two each pro and con speakers.

**Motion failed.** Y:6, N:6, A:1

**Point of order** by Harrison Weil:

A member who has obtained the floor for a point of procedure may not then make a motion.

**Not well taken.** The member did not obtain the floor for a point of order. The motion was procedural and is in order because it did not interrupt a speaker and there was no motion on the floor.

Dave Adelson was **appointed** Timekeeper.

**Point of order** by Terry Goodman:

There is a rule for discussion on motions, so proposing a new rule for discussion on motions is effectively a motion to suspend the rules. A motion to suspend the rules is voted upon immediately without amendment or debate.

**Not well taken.** The motion is specific rather than general, so debate is in order.

**Motion** from Terry Goodman:

To continue the agenda with voting on a motion from Dave Adelson that was postponed for public comment during the Programming Oversight Committee Report at the previous meeting.

**Motion passed.** Y:8, N:3, A:3

**Motion** to end debate from Jan Goodman

**Motion passed.** Y:10, N:1, A:3

#### POSTPONED VOTING ON COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Motion** from Dave Adelson:

*Resolved*, that the Programming Oversight Committee meet with management to discuss the issue of due process with respect to program cancellation, and that the Programming Oversight Committee shall also meet with programmers whose programs have been cancelled for their input, including Dr. Kwaiku Person-Lynne, producer of the Afrikan Mental Liberation Weekend.

**Motion failed.**

Y:5 (Aaron, Adelson, J. Goodman, T. Goodman, Kolhatkar)

N:6 (DiEugenio, Gluck, Hallaren, Radford, Schwab, Weil)

A:2 (Feuer, Pearl)

**Point of order** by Dave Adelson:

The motion was made, seconded, discussed, and publicly commented upon at the previous meeting and time expired. We just have to vote.

**Well taken.**

**Objection to consideration** by Sherna Gluck:

The Programming Oversight Committee is already in discussions with station management on this issue.

**Objection not timely.**

**Motion** by Dave Adelson

To reconsider the Structure Committee motion (as amended) which failed on August 1.

**Motion passed.** Y:9, N:4

**Motion** to end debate by Sonali Kolhatkar

**Motion passed.** Y:10, N:2, A:1

**Motion** from the Structure Committee (as amended by Adelson):

*Resolved*, that LSB committees are authorized to bring forward resolutions on issues that they consider fall within their scope.

**Motion passed** (after listener comments). Y:10, N:4, A:0

**Point of order** by Dave Adelson:

Debate on a debatable motion begins anew if reconsideration is approved.

**Well taken.**

There was discussion on the motion.

**Motion** to end debate by Grace Aaron.

**Motion passed.** Y:9, N:4, A:1

#### POSTPONED VOTING ON DIRECTOR REPORTS

**Motion** from Leslie Radford (as amended by Adelson):

*Whereas*, the interim Pacifica National Board approved the Race and Nationality Guidelines on June 23, 2002 and ordered their implementation on September 21, 2003; and

*Whereas* the Pacifica Race and Nationality Policy has not been implemented; and

*Whereas* at the July 26<sup>th</sup> PNB meeting the PNB agreed that at its next regular meeting the Pacifica Race and Nationality Policy be reaffirmed and implemented;

*Resolved*, that we charge the KPFK PNB Members to support fully this reaffirmation and its immediate implementation.

**Motion passed** (after listener comments).

Y:8 (Adelson, DiEugenio, Gluck, J. Goodman, Hallaren, Kolhatkar, Minsky, Weil)

N:2 (T. Goodman, Radford)

A:4 (Aaron, Feuer, Pearl, Schwab)

There was discussion on the motion.

**Motion** to table until the next meeting by Grace Aaron

**Motion failed.** Y:3, N:8

**Motion** by Dave Adelson to recess for five minutes.

**Motion passed** without objection.

There was a short recess at approximately 3:05 pm.

There was a fifteen minute segment of listener comment after the recess, then the LSB voted on two motions for which its voting was postponed pursuant to a special rule adopted at a recent meeting.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Motion** by Sonali Kolhatkar (as amended by Hallaren):

*Whereas*, the staff delegates to the Local Station Board have been elected by a defined constituency of paid and unpaid staff as per Pacifica's bylaws;

*Whereas*, listener members have access to their delegates through the airwaves (for example, during the elections staff members do not);

*Whereas*, a means of communication with this defined constituency would enable staff delegates to receive feedback on issues, agenda items from voters, as well as inform voters of LSB motions and votes;

*Whereas*, an email list of staff voters is already available and easily accessible through the station's staff;

*Therefore be it resolved*, that an internet listserv comprising eligible staff voters be created for staff delegates by blind invitation in order to enable communication between delegates and their constituents. Such a list would not be controlled or moderated by any of the staff delegates or members and would be available for subscription to anyone who fit eligibility criteria for staff under the Pacifica bylaws. Email addresses would not be public.

**Motion passed** (after public comment).

Y:11 (Aaron, Adelson, Feuer, J. Goodman, T. Goodman, Kolhatkar, Minsky, Pearl, Radford, Schwab, Weil)

N:2 (DiEugenio, Hallaren)

A:0

**Motion** by Harrison Weil:

To amend the Kolhatkar motion to additionally mandate the creation of an internet listserv comprising eligible listener-sponsor voters for listener-sponsor delegates.

**Motion referred** to committee,

**Motion** by Dave Adelson:

To refer the Weil amendment to the LSB Structure Committee as a concept for development.

**Motion passed.** Y:10 , N:2 , A:1

**Motion** to end debate by Grace Aaron,

**Motion passed.** Y:9, N:3, A:2

**Motion** by Dave Adelson:

The KPK LSB recommends to the management

- 1) That a weekly one-hour Report to the Listener program be instituted as soon as possible to deal with internal issues at KPDK and Pacifica;
- 2) That the program rotate each week between presentations from different constituencies and/or bodies:
- 3) [Specifically:]
  - a) Once monthly the report should be a report from the management,

- b) Once monthly the report should be a report from the LSB and PNB,
  - c) Once monthly the report should be a report from the staff, paid and unpaid, and
  - d) That the remaining presentations be allocated to other bodies which might include organized listener groups (for example, FPNN), the Community Advisory Board, the interim Program Council, etc. at the discretion of management in consultation with the LSB;
- 4) That the LSB Programming Oversight Committee will propose a mechanism at our next LSB meeting for insuring that access to the air during the Report to the Listener is fairly distributed, using the following proposal as a starting point for discussion:
- a) That for reports from constituencies other than management the program be organized such that several presenters from that constituency appear on the program,
  - b) Each person appearing on the program has adequate time to present her or his views; i.e. on the order of eight to ten minutes each,
  - c) That in the case of the LSB, the PNB, the staff, and any other formal body (CAB, iPC, FPNN), the presenters from the body or constituency be rotated so that all the members of that body or constituency that wish to appear are able to do so and no members of that constituency or body appear more than once until all who wish to appear have had the opportunity to do so once (allowing for exceptions on occasion in the case of scheduling conflicts, but in keeping with the spirit of this rule), and that for the purposes of this rule PNB Members shall be considered a separate constituency from the LSB, paid staff and unpaid staff shall be considered separate constituencies due to the differing proportions of each and to allow members of each to appear on that show.
  - d) That the order in which members appear be random (i.e., selected by drawing numbers from a hat), and
  - e) That a minimum of twenty minutes of the program be allotted to unscreened listener call-ins, and listeners be given up to two minutes each to state their questions or comments.

**Clauses 1 & 2 of the motion passed** (after public comment).

Y:12 (Aaron, Adelson, Feuer, J. Goodman, T. Goodman, Hallaren, Kolhatkar, Minsky, Pearl, Radford, Schwab, Weil)

N:0

A:1 (DiEugenio)

**Clauses 3 & 4 of the motion passed** (after public comment).

Y:6 (Aaron, Adelson, J. Goodman, Kolhatkar, Pearl, Schwab)

N:5 (DiEugenio, T. Goodman, Halleran, Radford, Weil)

A:2 (Feuer, Minsky)

**Motion** from Jane Halleran

That the Adelson motion be referred to the PrOC and the iPC.

**Motion temporarily passed.** Y:8, N:3

**Approval rescinded** by the approval of a motion to reconsider.

**Motion** from Adelson to end debate

**Motion passed.** Y:12, N:0, A:1

**Motion** from J. Goodman to reconsider the Halleran motion to refer.

**Motion passed.** Y:7, N:6

**Motion** to end debate from Adelson.

**Motion passed.** Y:12, N:0, A:2

**Motion** from Leslie Radford:

To divide the Adelson motion after clause 2.

**Motion passed.** Y:10, N:2, A:1

**Motion** to end debate from DiEugenio.

**Motion passed.** Y:9, N:1, A:2

**Motion** to end debate from J. Goodman

**Motion passed.** Y:9, N:1, A:1

**Motion** from Jane Hallaren (as amended by Schwab):

1) The elected Secretary is the official Secretary of the KPFK LSB and shall retain all the powers and duties of secretary. The runner-up in the election will act as assistant if he/she wishes to do so. Wherever possible the official secretary shall arrange for the assistant to perform the duties of a corresponding secretary. For example,

- a) Take his/her place when he/she is late or absent in terms of recording the minutes, but not perform any other duties as Secretary of the LSB;
- b) Place the announcements of the LSB and committee meetings on the KPFK web site and on the LSB listserv and other public outlets;
- c) Send thank you messages to those who help the LSB;
- d) Elaborate the transcription of motions, documenting the attendance and voting.

2. Other conditions of labor or collaboration between the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary will be by mutual consent.

3. Since he/she was democratically elected as Secretary of the KPFK LSB, he/she will oversee and have final judgment and responsibility for any and all efforts coming from him/her and the assistant secretary.

4. The relationship will terminate when new LSB officers are elected.

*[An amendment from Schwab is missing from this version]*

**Motion passed** (after public comment).

Y:11 (Aaron, DiEugenio, J. Goodman, T. Goodman, Halleran, Kolhatkar, Minsky, Pearl, Radford, Schwab, Weil)

N:0

A:2 (Adelson, Feuer)

**Motion** from Madeleine Schwab

To amend the Hallaren motion somehow. *[Missing audio, not restated.]*

**Motion passed.**

**Motion** to end debate by Sonali Kolhatkar.

**Motion passed.** Y:11, N:0, A:0

**Motion** from Dave Adelson

To postpone the remaining items of unfinished business to the next meeting.

**Motion passed.** Y:8, N:0, A:0

There was a fifteen minute section of public comment.

There were some responses to public comment.

The board voted on postponed motions.

**Motion to adjourn** from Harrison Weil.

**Motion failed** for lack of a second.

NEW BUSINESS

Jane Hallaren presented an oral report from the Ad Hoc Retreat Committee.

**Motion to adjourn** from Harrison Weil.

**Motion passed.** Y:7

The meeting was adjourned sometime after 4:37 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Goodman, LSB Secretary

(This version reconstructed from meeting notes and audio on October 9, 2016)

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APPENDIX A – Meeting Notice

LOCAL STATION BOARD MEETING

Sunday, August 15th, 1:00 pm

The next LSB meeting will begin at 1:00 pm on Sunday, August 15, 2004, in the basement of the Echo Park United Methodist Church, 1226 N Alvarado St, Los Angeles, CA 90026-3127. The church is one long block north of the intersection of Alvarado St and Sunset Blvd on the east side of the

street. From the 101 freeway take the Alvarado off-ramp and drive north. Enter through the parking lot on the east side of the church. note: We are returning to the Echo Park Methodist Church for the second time in a row...the August 15 meeting will be in the same site as the Aug. 1st meeting.