

KPFK Programming Oversight Committee (PrOC)  
March 7, 2005

Present: Sherna Gluck, Israel Feuer, Alan minsky, Eva Georgia, Armando Guidino, Bill Gallegos, Don White, Rodrigo Argueta, Francisco Martinez, Rafael Renteria, Margo Eiser

Facilitator: Sherna Gluck  
Note-taker: Bill Gallegos

#### 1. Role of the Program Oversight Committee, the iPC, and the CAB

- The PrOC assesses whether policies and procedures related to programming are in place and being correctly applied.
- The Community Advisory Board conducts an annual assessment of programming diversity
- iPC – develops policy proposals related to new programming, removing current programs.

As a follow-up to the discussion at the Board Orientation re organizing some discussions on the future role of a Program Council, the tenure of the iPC etc. those present at the PrOC meeting during the discussion agreed that it would be a good idea to hold a joint meeting with the Organization Committee of the iPC, which is also beginning to discuss these issues. A tentative date of 17<sup>th</sup> March, immediately before the LSB meeting (5 to 7pm) was agreeable to the members of both the PrOC and iPC Organization Committee who were present during the discussion. Eiser took responsibility for contacting the convener of the Organization Committee, Kimberly King.

#### 2. Role of Management on PrOC

The station manager is an ex-officio voting member of the PrOC.

The program director is an ex-officio, non-voting member of the PrOC.

#### 3. Special Programming

Special event programming requires more foresight and planning. The station will develop a calendar of special events such as International Woman's Day, May Day, the Chicano Moratorium, etc. and request proposals from programmers for programs for these events. Final decision on this program is with management.

#### 4. LSB and iPC members and programming

- There have been cases of LSB members proposing or developing new programs. Because there should not be even the appearance of undue pressure or favoritism for LSB members with regard to programming, the following policy is proposed by PrOC.

#### Policy Proposal:

- Local Station Board Members and iPC members not elected by programmers can not host regular shows on KPFK. This policy does not apply to existing collectives of which LB members are a part, or who have current programs.
- LB members and iPC members can go on the air if asked to be part of a specific program that

relates to their field of expertise.

- Henceforth, an LSB member can be a member of a programming collective as long as they do not go on the air.

#### 5. Indecency Policy

Eva Georgia said that since the fine for violation of FCC indecency policy is \$500,000, and since such a fine could cripple KPFK, there needs to be a much stricter policy in place for violations.

#### 6. Promos

How do promos get on the air? What is the policy?

- Programmers can promote whatever events or activities they want, as long as it doesn't raise money, or represent a call to action.

#### 7. Issues related to collectives

Francisco asked the committee for clarification of a problem related to the Central American program. Although the PrOC decided that this issue was not something we could address, the committee decided to review the definition of Collectives, using as a starting point the original proposal by Acting GM Starr.

#### 8. Issues related to Dr. Person-Lynn

The issue relating to Dr. Person-Lynn has been unresolved for a long time and both station management and Dr. Person-Lynn desire resolution. Rafael Renteria reported that he and Sister Charlene Muhammad had been asked to represent Dr. Person-Lynn in any further discussions.

The following proposal was offered to try and resolve this matter: It did not come to a vote. The PrOC ask Dr. Person-Lynn and Management to each provide the committee with a one-page summary of their position. The papers would be distributed to both parties. The PrOC would meet with each party individually and give them ten minutes for an oral presentation/response/question and answer. After this process has been completed, the PrOC would make a recommendation to the Local Station Board.