Draft Minutes

Pacifica National Board Regular Monthly Meeting, Public/Open Session

Teleconference Meeting

Thursday, Jan. 2, 2020 8:30 pm ET (The posting of this meeting is copied at the end of this agenda)

Directors:

Grace Aaron, KPFK, Listener

Garry Boast, Cerebral Radio, Affiliate absent

Robin Collier, KCEI, Affiliate Chris Cory, KPFA, Listener Bill Crosier, KPFT, Listener

Donald Goldmacher, KPFA, Listener absent

Jan Goodman, KPFK, Listener Sabrina Jacobs, KPFA, Staff

Wally James, KPFT, Staff arrives 6:15 pm DeWayne Lark, KPFT, Listener arrives 9:12 pm Martha Peterson, WPFW, Listener absent/excused

Ron Pinchback, WPFW, Staff Ralph Poynter, WBAI, Listener Lawrence Reyes, KPFK, Listener Shawn Rhodes, WBAI, Staff Eileen Rosin, WPFW, Listener

Mansoor Sabbagh, KPFK, Staff absent/excused

James Sagurton, WBAI, Listener Nancy Sorden, WPFW, Listener Alex Steinberg, WBAI, Listener Tom Voorhees, KPFA, Listener

Others:

Lydia Brazon, interim Executive Director Otis Maclay, Webmaster, web streamer John Tatum, Parliamentarian

Alex Steinberg, Chair Pro Tem, calls the meeting to order at 8:42 pm.

Item # Description Time

1. Preliminary items

10 min.

- A. Call to Order by Chair Pro Tem at 8:42 pm.
 - B. Roll Call by Secretary Pro Tem 14 Directors are present constituting a quorum.
 - C. Elect a **Chair Pro Tem Alex Steinberg re-elected** without objection.
 - D. Elect a **Vice Chair Pro Tem Dewayne Lark is re-elected** with one objection from Bill Crosier.
 - E. Elect a **Secretary Pro Tem Grace Aaron re-elected** without objection. 8:48 pm
 - F. Excused Absences Absences are excused for Martha Peterson and Mansoor Sabbagh.
 - G. Identify Timekeepers Lawrence Reyes keeps time for people, Nancy Sorden keeps time for topics.
- 2. Agenda Approval Agenda is approved without objection. 9:27 pm

5 min.

3. Minutes Approval - Approve Dec. 20, 2019 Open Session Minutes

3 min.

Minutes for Dec. 20, 2019 Open Session approved without objection. 9:28 pm

4. Mediation Update and Schedule – Nancy Sorden

7 min.

Nancy Sorden moves:

The PNB agrees to meet for the first session for mediation facilitation on Jan 9, 2019, at 8:30 pm ET.

Eileen Rosin proposes an amendment:

Newly elected Directors who have not been seated will be allowed to listen but not participate in this first mediation session.

Eileen Rosin's Amendment passes: Yes: 12, No: 2, Abstain 3

Yes: Collier, Cory, Crosier, Goodman, Jacobs, James, Lark, Reyes, Rosin, Sagurton, Sorden,

Voorhees

No: Pinchback, Poynter

Abstain: Aaron, Rhodes, Steinberg

Nancy Sorden's Main Motion passes: Yes: 11, No: 0, Abstain: 6

Yes: Collier, Cory, Crosier, Goodman, Jacobs, James, Reyes, Rosin, Sagurton, Sorden,

Voorhees

Abstain: Aaron, Lark, Pinchback, Poynter, Rhodes, Steinberg 10:05 pm

5. iED Report & Q & A

15 min.

IED Report and Q & A concludes at 10:21 pm.

6. Attorney Engagement Motion

10 min.

Resolved that Arthur Schwartz be authorized to retain Adam Grant as Local Counsel when such is needed in California and,

Further, that Adam D.H. Grant Esq. serve as the California Agent for Service of Process for the Pacifica Foundation, Inc.

(After a brief discussion the Board decides to move into Closed Session to discuss this Motion.)

Recess of Open Session at 10:33 pm

Open Session Resumes at 11:41 pm

The Secretary calls the roll – 16 members are present

Present: Aaron, Collier, Cory, Crosier, Goodman, Jacobs, James, Lark, Pinchback, Poynter,

Reyes, Rhodes, Rosin, Sagurton, Sorden, Steinberg

Absent: Boast, Peterson, Sabbagh, Voorhees

The absences of Martha Peterson and Mansoor Sabbagh are excused without objection.

The Secretary reads the Report Out from the Closed Meeting that just took place when the Open Meeting was recessed. The Board reported out the following Motion that was passed in the Closed Session:

Attorney Engagement Motion

Resolved that Arthur Schwartz be authorized to retain Adam Grant as Local Counsel when such is needed in California and.

Further, that Adam D.H. Grant Esq. serve as the California Agent for Service of Process for the Pacifica Foundation, Inc.

Chris Corey moves to extend the meeting to 12:30 am. The extension passes without objection.

7. Posting Privileges Motion – Dewayne Lark

10 min.

(added to the Agenda during the meeting)

Whereas there is no clear understanding of who has access or authority to post, alter, delete, or adjust items on <u>KPFTX.ORG</u>, I move that the PNB instruct the IED to report who has access to aforementioned privileges and to set a policy for the future.

Submitted by DeWayne Lark PNB Director

Motion passes with 1 objection from Bill Crosier.

8. Station & Unit Management Control - Grace Aaron & Lydia Brazon

10 min.

As it is necessary and vital to ensure that the Executive Director and others always are able to contact the person responsible for the management of any of our stations or other units, therefore, be it resolved that:

In the absence of the General Manager or Unit Director that the General Manager or Unit Director contact the Executive Director with the name and contact information of the responsible party for their station or unit.

Motion passes without objection. 12:22 am

9. Committee Reports

20 min.

Motion: (Chris Cory) "The NFC recommends the following strategy for paying the interest (on the "big loan"): full payments starting in December with it in mind to not use the escrow account for the remainder of the term of the loan." "The NFC (also) recommends that the quarterly interest payments starting with December 2019 be apportioned by station membership as of December 1, 2019, and revised annually according to changes in membership."

Amendment: (Chris Cory): First payment should proceed on earliest possible schedule, but no later than 30 days following the passage of this motion. Payments are to be made to the escrow account (presently) set up for the "big loan".

chris cory

NFC chair

Motion passes: Yes: 7, No: 5, Abstain: 3

Yes: Collier, Cory, Crosier, Goodman, Jacobs, James, Sagurton

No: Lark, Pinchback, Reyes, Sorden, Steinberg

Abstain: Aaron, Rhodes, Rosin

The Meeting Adjourns at 12:38 am.

The following Agenda Item was not considered and will be added to the next Open Session Agenda:

10. Motion to Reconsider Delegate Removal - Dewayne Lark

10 min.

(added to the Agenda during the meeting)

Whereas, the PNB decided to remove Tom Harper from the KPFT LSB, I move to reconsider the PNB decision based on Mr. Harper's request. The following statement is Tom Harper's request.

I, Tom Harper, am filing a appeal on the grounds of my removal from my seat *from Local Station Board KPFT from 2018. I was a runner up, 1st runner up to be precise .I was replacing a member who had either stepped down or was removed .I have been a member sustaining and a Volunteer since 2017 .I have accumulated more hours and have worked hard to help keep KPFT going .I can see if I have done nothing and not contributed to KPFT or Pacifica and I would have been removed without question I also feel the re-instatement of the two removed board members were a violation of Pacifica bylaws and the way that it was done was wrong. One Member was terminated from KPFT and the other member also failed to follow the rules of the bylaws .Each board member in my understanding is required to pull volunteer hours i rarely see any Board members with exceptions of a few have pulled volunteer hours and contribute to KPFT also Susie Moreno was also was unjust and not fair if you're going to send Susie back to PNB for a decision and then in all fairness i also as well should be considered .Also the remarks that we're made that we have a all white board was offensive and degrading if we are going to allow racism to continue among the members of the board then there is no reason to have a LSB and KPFT should be handled by the PNB only .In closing i hear by request reconsidering and i finish out the term i was called to do thank you. Tom Harper..

Submitted by DeWayne Lark PNB Director

Other Upcoming Agenda item:

Approve 2018 Audit, when it's available.

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Thursday, January 2, 2020 Pacifica National Board

8:30 PM ET Teleconference

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Committee Members

This will be cancelled if the Board decides to have the Regular meeting on Jan 9 instead.

Nancy Sorden

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