

KPFT – Pacifica Radio Houston

Minutes of the Trial of Bill Crosier , November 10, 2017
Held at the Shape Community Center

Adriana Casenave	P	Robert Mark	P	
Bill Crosier	P	Peri McCary	P	Staff
Elayne Duncan	P	Susie Moreno	P	Rhonda Garner P
Joseph Davis	P	Katherine Sinclair	P	Robert Gartner P
Nick Economides	A	Deb Shafto	P	Wally James P
Anisa Faruqi	P	Rita Washington	P	Mike Lewis EX
Alexandra Hunter	A	Vanecia Williams	A	Cliff Smith P
Jim Krafka	A	Ted Weisgal	P	
DeWayne Lark	P			
Gerald Lynch	P			

Board Chair Ted Weisgal Convenes Meeting,
Board agrees without objection to hold meeting in open session.
Roll is Called

Katherine Sinclair takes chair of the meeting.
Explains the protocol and procedures to be followed
.Vote taken on whether entire trial will be public. Motion passes
Secretary of board Deb Shafto reads charges.
First advise of the Charge: Conduct that is adverse to the best interests of the Foundation or the radio station, KPFT.

Specification A. On 7/14/2017, Mr. Crosier fired IGM, Dr. Obedike Kamau in an manner that is inconsistent with Pacifica Bylaws and Dr. Kamau’s employment agreement, straining the cause between KPFT, Pacifica and the community that supports them.

Plea: Not Guilty.

Specification B. By firing IGM Dr. Kamau, Mr Crosier derailed an estimated \$1,000,00.00 in revenue.

Plea: Not Guilty

Specification C: Mr. Crosier misappropriated funds by extending the employment of former GM, Duane Bradley.

Plea: Not Guilty

Specification D: Mr. Crosier left KPFT and the Foundation vulnerable to litigation through, firings that did not conform to process, lying to government agencies and bribery.

Plea: Not Guilty

Dr. George Reiter, acting as Bill Crosiers attorney, asks for more specific details of what the charges are, and states that they should have been provided earlier so that a defense can be made.

He cites RR as requiring it. Pg 660 of RR is read in support of claim. Chair rules charges are sufficiently detailed. Reiter appeals decision of chair, citing the absence of any evidence presented for charges of bribery and lying to state agencies and asks for a vote of the board that the charge be dropped. Appeal fails 11-7

Prosecutor for the board PK McCrary gives opening remarks. @23 min

Dr. Reiter gives opening remarks in defense. @28min

Obedike Kamau testifies 35:40

Greg Audel testifies 1:01:00

Mr. Sinclair testifies 1:29:30

Rhonda Garner testifies 1:43:47

Bill Crosier testifies 2:03:30

Tucker Wilson testifies 2:45:30

Adrienne LaViolette testifies 3:14:30

Obedike Kamau testifies 3:25:45

Wendy Schroell testifies 3:58:15

Recess 4:11:15

Summation-PK McCrary 4:16.51

Summation-Dr. Reiter 4:22:47

Chair explains final process 4:26:13

Board deliberation on charges begins 4:29:04

Ted Weisgal asks if a majority vote is sufficient to pass verdicts. Chair rules that is all RR requires.

Roll Call Vote on Section A of the charges begins 4:43:26

Casenave Y

Duncan N

Faruqui Y

LaViolette Y

Lynch Y

Mark N

McCary Y

Moreno Y

Shafto N

.Weisgal Y

Garner N

Gartner Y

James N

Davis Y

Smith A

Lark Y

Washington Y

Verdict is guilty

Vote on section B of the charges begins 4:51:34

Casenave Y

Duncan N

Faruqui A

LaViolette Y

Lynch A

Mark N

McCary Y
Moreno Y
Shafto N
.Weisgal Y
Garner N
Gartner Y
James N
Davis N
Smith A
Lark N
Washington A
Verdict is not guilty

Vote begins on Section C of the charge 4:59:00

Casenave Y
Duncan N
Faruqui Y
LaViolette Y
Lynch Y
Mark N
McCary Y
Moreno Y
Shafto N
.Weisgal Y
Garner Y
Gartner Y
James N
Davis Y
Smith Y
Lark Y
Washington Y
Verdict is guilty

Discussion begins on section D of the charges

Lynch moves to strike lying to government agencies and bribery from the charge.

Motion to amend charge passes

Voting begins at 5:09:01

Casenave Y
Duncan N
Faruqui Y
LaViolette Y
Lynch Y
Mark N
McCary Y
Moreno Y
Shafto N
.Weisgal Y

Garner N
Gartner Y
James N
Davis Y
Smith Y
Lark Y
Washington Y
Verdict is guilty of charge D as amended.

PK Mccary moves that Bill Crosier be unable to vote on the LSB through the end of the year. 5:20:57

Motion not seconded

Lark moves to sanction for three months by removal of voting rights

LaViolette moves to extend to six months the loss of voting rights

LaViolette moves additional amendment to require Crosier to arrange arbitration for Kamau

Second amendment passes 12-5

First amendment passes 12-5

Vote begins on motion as amended 5:39:57

Casenave Y

Duncan N

Faruqui Y

LaViolette Y

Lynch Y

Mark N

McCary Y

Moreno Y

Shafto N

.Weisgal Y

Garner N

Gartner Y

James N

Davis Y

Smith Y

Lark Y

Lark motion passes as amended.

Summary of results by chair 5:41:32

Meeting adjourned 5:43:00

Deborah Shafto, Secretary