

DRAFT AGENDA FOR PNB GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AUGUST 24, 2022

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting
5. Chair reports on PNB meeting where Governance motions were presented
6. Unfinished business
7. New business: Three motions to be considered

A.

The Pacifica National Elections Committee moves that the Pacifica National Board work with Pacifica management to:

- Notify the Pacifica membership that Pacifica Management has stated that there are no funds available for the bylaws mandated 2022 Local Station Board Elections.
- In the event that bylaws mandated 2022 Delegate Elections do not occur, ensure that as Local Station Board Delegates end their terms in December of 2022, vacant Delegate seats will not be extended for those terming out or be filled by those defeated in a past election and that the Local Stations Boards will be smaller for part or all of 2023 until elections are held. And further ensure that the smaller 2023 Local Station Boards will elect PNB Directors in January of 2023 and these new Directors will be on the boards for part or all of the year 2023 depending on when new elections are held.
- Implement plans to reduce the costs of elections, raise funds for an election including creating a mechanism for Pacifica members to donate specifically for elections, develop a workable timeline for an election based on the availability of funding and contract only with neutral persons to be involved in making election rulings.

Vanessa Dixon-Briggs will be presenting a minority report on this motion, focusing on the second clause, providing that members whose term ends in Dec. 2022 who are not term-limited will continue to serve until replaced when the elections are held, and that members whose term is ending and are term-limited will be replaced by the next available runners-up in the last election.

B.

The EC recommends to the PNB to launch an immediate and on-going off-air membership drive, with high-quality design and implementation, focusing on identifying supporters and allies with influence in mass-membership organizations and communities in general alignment with Pacifica's mission, to seek and encourage large-scale enrollment of their members as listener-sponsors members of Pacifica's stations.

Further moved that the EC recommends to the PNB that it mandate a series of twice-monthly national days of special programming, beginning in August and continuing to and through the November elections, focusing on overcoming voter suppression and other threats to democracy, and on suppression and censorship of critical social, economic and political issues not being sufficiently addressed in corporate media coverage of the elections, to raise funds nationally to help balance Pacifica's books and fund the already delayed delegate elections.

Chari Reyes states: I do not know of a minority report on this one, though there was an amendment proposed and defeated to strike the language about "help balance Pacifica' books" that may be brought up again at the PNB.

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C.

Moved that EC recommends to the PNB that it direct the ED to swiftly, and before the end of the current fiscal year, require station management to complete the process of developing and maintaining accurate, current and de-duped membership lists of all listener-sponsor members of each station and of staff members (paid and unpaid) at each station, including the vetting of staff lists with the existing staff to ensure this an accurate and complete roster of all staff members with accurate current contact information.