

Draft Minutes
 Regular Pacifica National Board OPEN Session
 Teleconference Meeting
 Thursday, October 7, 2021, 8:30 pm ET
 All times are Eastern Time
 (meeting notice appended to the end of this agenda)

Directors:

Chris Cory, KPFA, Listener - p Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, WPFW, Listener - p Lynden Foley, KPFT, Listener - p Jose S. Gutierrez, Jr., KAOS, Affiliate - p Heather Gray, WRFG, Affiliate - p Julie Hewitt, WPFW, Listener - p Sabrina Jacobs, KPFA, Staff - p Wally James, KPFT, Staff - p DeWayne Lark, KPFT, Listener- p Ali Lexa, KPFK, Staff - p Thomas O'Rourke, WPFW, Listener - p	Ron Pinchback, WPFW, Staff - p Lydia Ponce, KPFK, Listener - p Ralph Poynter, WBAI, Listener - p Sandra Rawline, KPFT, Listener, Vice-Chair Lawrence Reyes, KPFK, Listener - p Shawn Rhodes, WBAI, Staff - p James Sagurton, WBAI, Listener - p Alex Steinberg, WBAI, Listener, Chair - p Andrea Turner, KPFA, Listener Elizabeth von Gunten, KPFK, Listener - p Tom Voorhees, KPFA, Listener - p
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logged on 5:20.

Others:

Lydia Brazon, Interim Executive Director - p
 Anita Sims, Interim Chief Financial Officer - p
 Polina Vasiliev, PNB Secretary - p
 Arthur Schwartz, Pacifica Counsel
 John Tatum, Parliamentarian - p
 Marianne Edain, 2021 Recording Secretary - p

1. Preliminary items 5 min.

A. Call to order – The meeting was called to order at 8:38 pm

B. Roll Call

C. Report-out from closed session of 9/30/21:

“The PNB met in closed session to discuss confidential personnel and legal matters. In addition Pacifica accepted an offer on 419 Lovett and proceeds of sale will be used to relocate and furnish KPFT at another site.”

D. Excused Absences – Ralph Poynter, Andrea Turner

E. Identify Timekeepers
 people – Heather Gray
 topics – Julie Hewitt

F. Announcements

2. Agenda approval 5 min. The agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approve Minutes of the Open Sessions of 9-30-21. 5 min.

The minutes had not yet been distributed.

4. iED Report & Q & A – Lydia Brazon 10 min.

iED Lydia reported that there are many documents in storage which need to be reviewed, but a policy needs to be adopted to determine what is to be retained. She requested that the PNB approve a policy document concerning the retention policy.

Lawrence Reyes moved and Ali Lexa seconded that the proposed policy be adopted.

Beth von Gunten moved and Chris Cory seconded that a vote on the proposed policy be postponed until the next PNB meeting, to allow time for review of the document.

The question of postponement was put to a vote.

Voting yes were Chris Cory, Jose Gutierrez, Wally James, Shawn Rhodes, James Sagurton, and Beth von Gunten.

Voting no were Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, Heather Gray, Julie Hewitt, Sabrina Jacobs, Thomas O'Rourke, Lydia Ponce, Ron Pinchback, Lawrence Reyes, and Tom Voorhees.

There being 6 yes votes and 9 no votes, the motion failed.

There was further discussion on the motion concerning a policy on retention of documents

The motion was put to a vote

Voting yes were Chris Cory, Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, Lynden Foley, heather Gray, Julie Hewitt, Thomas O'Rourke, Lydia Ponce, Ron Pinchback, Lawrence Reyes, Tom Voorhees, and Alex Steinberg.

Voting no were Jose Gutierrez, Wally James, DeWayne Lark, James Sagurton, and Beth von Gunten.

There being 11 yes votes and 5 no votes, the motion carried.

5. iCFO report and Q & A - Anita Sims 10 min.

Anita had no report.

6. Committee Reports - Total: ___ 30

a. Elections - see APPENDIX for motion (20 minutes) NES and elections comm. 20 min

This item was discussed and debated at great length.

Lawrence Reyes moved to extend time for this item by another 5 minutes. There being objections, the matter was put to a vote.

Voting yes were Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, Jose Gutierrez, Heather Gray, DeWayne Lark, Thomas O'Rourke, Lydia Ponce, Ron Pinchback, and Lawrence Reyes.

Voting no were Lynden Foley, Wally James, James Sagurton, and Tom Voorhees.

The vote being 8 yes and 4. no, the motion passed and time was extended.

The motion by the Elections Committee was brought to a vote

Voting yes were DeWayne Lark, Thomas O'Rourke, Lydia Ponce, and Lawrence Reyes

Voting no were Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, Lynden Foley, Jose Gutierrez, Heather Gray, Wally James, Ron Pinchback, Shawn Rhodes, James Sagurton, and Beth von Gunten.

The vote being 5 yes and 10 no, the motion failed.

Other committee reports - (10 minutes)

7. Unfinished business

8. New Business: MOTION re bylaws amendment timeline - (See APPENDIX) 10 min.

Lawrence Reyes submitted and Lydia Ponce seconded a motion to rescind and replace certain notice dates concerning bylaw amendments.

There being no objections, the motion was approved as presented.

9. Adjourn (to closed session) The meeting adjourned at 11:18 pm 5 min

Meeting Notice

Thursday, October 7, 2021

8:30 PM ET

Pacifica National Board

Teleconference

Purpose: Regular meeting of the PNB. Some of the meeting will be in executive session.

Committee Members

Alex Steinberg

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Posted: 06/29/2021 - 3:49 PM

Updated: 06/29/2021 - 3:49 P

MOTION from Elections Committee Motion to PNB:

Whereas the ongoing elections for listener and staff delegates at all five stations began and have continued without adequate information for members regarding the candidates and issues, a flaw that is manifest in the low turnout of members who have voted at most stations with only about 1 week of the total of 9 weeks of balloting remaining,

Whereas in addition to lack of effective informational carts, this anemic turnout across the network being disenfranchising, there is also a deep concern and specific citings from governing members within the network that not all membership has received their ballots.

Whereas the NES has admitted to the Elections Committee that she does not have the clout to ensure her directives are followed at the stations.

Be it resolved that the voting be immediately extended at all 5 stations; and that a joint meeting be convened for both the PNB and the Elections Committee (to include the NES and iEG) and scheduled by 10/7/21 to ensure that all 5 stations can record and air full candidate carts and forums to run for 30 days in entirety in full rotation and that

direct outreach to the membership is conducted to inform of the election and confirm ballot receipt so that the process can be compliant with the Bylaws; and be it further Resolved that for the scheduled listener and staff delegate elections next year, no ballots be distributed until adequate and Bylaws-mandated candidate statements and forums have first started to run prior to ballots going out and continue running during the voting period.

APPENDIX:

MOTION to Rescind and Replace Notice Date

Whereas, pursuant to Article 17, Section 1 (B), Bylaw amendments introduced by six Directors or the majority of two stations' Delegates require 30 days of on-air notice and then approval by 3 stations' Delegates and the PNB in any order within 45 days, and

Whereas, all stations are holding Delegates elections with newly elected Delegates to be seated in December, and

Whereas, the previously decided notice period beginning October 16, 2021 would end on November 15 which will be after the regular November 10 meeting date of the Local Station Boards at KPFT, WBAI, and WPFW requiring special meetings of the Delegates which might be problematic and the failure of which scheduling would result in the automatic death of any proposed amendment,

Be it hereby resolved that, the previous notice re. October 16, 2021 is rescinded and a new record date for amendments is set at October 10, 2021, 30 days from which will be November 9, 2021, allowing the three above-referenced stations to vote on November 10, 2021. Delegates at KPFA and KPFK would be able to vote on November 20 and 21, respectively.

Lawrence Reyes KPFK Listener Director