

Minutes  
Regular Pacifica National Board OPEN Session

Teleconference Meeting  
Thursday, April 8, 2021, 8:30 pm ET  
CONTINUATION from April 1, 2021  
All times are Eastern Time

Directors:

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Chris Cory, KPFA, Listener – P  
Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, WPFW, Listener – P  
Lynden Foley, DPFT, Listener – P  
Jose S Gutierrez, Jr, KAOS, Affiliate  
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  
Jim Osborne, KPFK, Listener – P  
Ron Pinchback, WPFW, Staff – P  
Ralph Poynter, WBAI, Listener – P  
Sandra Rawline, KPFT, Listener – P  
Lawrence Reyes, KPFK, Listener – P  
Shawn Rhodes, WBAI, Staff – P  
James Sagurton, WBAI, Listener – P  
Alex Steinberg, WBAI, Listener – P  
Andrea Turner, KPFA, Listener – P  
Elizabeth von Gunten, KPFK, Listener – P  
Tom Voorhees, KPFA, Listener – P

Others:

Lydia Brazon, Interim Executive Director – excused  
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. The continuation of the meeting was called to order at 8:39.
  - A. Roll Call
  - B. Excused Absences – Jose Gutierrez and Lydia Brazon were excused
  - C. Identify Timekeepers
    - people – James Sagurton
    - topics – Lynden Foley
  - D. Report out from Closed Session of 3/31/2021

“The Pacifica National Board met in closed session to approve the extension of the FJC loan for 18 months on the positive recommendation of the auditor.”

2. Agenda approval 5 min. - DONE 4/1

3. Committee Reports – 45 mins 8:45

4. Motion from Lynden Foley on PPP funds (see Appendix A)

Lynden read the motion and moved its approval. Ali Lexa seconded.

Ron Pinchback moved to postpone consideration of the motion until the PNB can hear from iED.

Ralph Poynter seconded.

The following people voted in favor of postponing this question:

Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, Heather Gray, Julie Hewitt, DeWayne Lark, Thomas O'Rourke, Ron Pinchback, Ralph Poynter, Lawrence Reyes, Shawn Rhodes, Elizabeth von Gunten, and Tom Voorhees.

The following people voted against postponing the question:

Lynden Foley, Wally James, Ali Lexa, Jim Osborne, and Sandra Rawline.

The following people abstained:

Chris Cory, Sabrina Jacobs, James Sagurton, Andrea Turner, and Alex Steinberg.

There were 12 yes votes, 5 no votes, and 5 abstentions. The motion was postponed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40

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Appendix

**A. Motion from Lynden Foley:**

I move that the portion of PPP funds round 1 and 2 that were not used for the purposes of salary and benefits but instead used to pay Pacifica Foundation operating expenses be credited to the stations Central Services in proportion to what each station was assessed Central Services in FY2020 for the purpose of ameliorating unpaid amounts to the extent that is possible.

If we were functioning as designed then these bills that were paid with PPP funds would have been paid with funds from the stations in the form of Central Services assessments, therefore I propose that we treat the portion of PPP1 and PPP2 that was used to pay Accounts Payable (\$465,628) as funds collected through Central Services. If this was done in the same proportion as the stations were assessed Central Services for FY2020 then KPFK would be forgiven \$148,479 of \$220,974 unpaid CS from FY2020. KPFT would be forgiven \$47,911 of \$51,664 unpaid CS from FY2020. WBAI would be \$67,767 of \$151,137 and WPFW would be \$61,711 of \$62,689.

This does disadvantage KPFA for having paid CS in the no good deed goes unpunished way but they did receive about \$700,000 in PPP funds compared to KPFT's \$70,000. I have attached spreadsheets from NETA that I have made some additions to. The PPP2 is dated but that doesn't change the concept. The tab Rev CS 2020 has the calculations in columns R and S, lines 6-11.



