

WPFW Regular LSB Meeting

May 13, 2020

Teleconference

Washington, DC

SabooH Hakim – Chair

Tony Leon – Vice Chair

Nick Arena - Treasurer

Ellen Williams Carter - Secretary

### **I. Call to order**

SabooH Hakim, chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Quorum was established at 6:40pm.

### **II. Roll call**

23 - Members that were present at roll call: Craig Hall, Craig Williams, Dennis Williams, Eileen Rosin, Ellen Williams Carter, Julie Hewitt, Louis Wolf, Marsha Coleman Adebayo, Martha Peterson, Maskeelah Washington, Thomas Blanton, Tony Leon, Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, Wayne Bruce, Arthur McCloud, Lucille Perez, Tim Willard, Kathleen Malloy, SabooH Hikim, Nancy Sorden, Ron Pinchback, Thomas O'Rourke, Nick Arena, Jay Winter Nightwolf, Donna Grimes

1 - Unexcused Absences: Chuk Nixon,

There are no resignations.

The General Manager and Program Director were present.

Timekeeper: Arthur

Sergeant at Arms: Donna

### **III. Agenda**

Approval of Agenda: with the following additions:

Motions were requested to be heard.

Ron's motion- LSB voted that Ron's motion will be discussed during the MASC report.

Kathleen's motion- LSB voted that Kathleen's motion will be discussed in executive session.

Tony's agenda item – LSB voted that Tony's agenda item will not be discussed.

Thomas O'Rourke- LSB show will be discussed.

Craig Williams's motion- will be discussed.

Vote for executive session: Yes- 15 No-7

#### **IV. Approval of the Minutes**

The April 8, 2020 minutes were approved.

#### **V. Management Reports**

##### ***General Manager***

As a result of the lengthy discussion regarding the agenda, the General Manager was unable to share his report. He had to return to pitching for programs during the pledge drive.

##### ***Program Director***

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Both managers attended the meeting. They have been unable to submit a written report.

#### **VI. Finance Report**

A written report was submitted.

The Bank Balances were \$64,000 as of March 31. The past due Central Services payments from FY2019 (4-8) and there are other past due payments including approximately \$20,000 in National Election costs that are not included in the FY2020 budget. The Station has not been asked to make payments for the National Election to date. Loan interest payments of \$3,150 per month are included in the Budget starting in December 2019. Budgeted Expenses include \$50,000 for the HD transmitter costs which were not made in January due to lack of funds.

#### **VII. Community Comment**

Joe Brown-

He supports Nightwolf. He wants information about the consequences regarding the individuals responsible for the WBAI shut down.

Cliff Smith-

Nightwolf should be given more than one night for his program. He should receive 2 hours. He thinks that more information should be given about WBAI.

#### **VIII. PNB Report**

No report was shared.

#### **IX. MASC Committee**

Ron's motion: The WPFW LSB should eliminate the management assessment and search committee effective immediately. The positions will be conducted by the whole body of the LSB. LSB will resume its duties as outlined in the bylaws. Vote: Yes - 13 No – 9 **MASC- disbanded**

#### **X. Outreach and Development**

A written report was submitted.

A virtual Town Hall is planned for June 27th from 2pm to 5pm or 3pm to 6pm or in person in July. They will discuss Bylaws, listeners' view of WPFW programming, alternatives to fundraising, and listener survey questions

Several fundraisers are planned: A Night with Nap Turner, a Reggae Festival, and 5K Run/Walk on October 3rd at Bladensburg Waterfront Park. The WPFW Blues Fest maybe postponed.

Motion: Craig' motion: I move to establish a yearly non-binding "give or get" target for all LSB members to be added to the agenda. The LSB decided that this issue should be discussed during the O&D committee meeting.

#### **XI. Programming Committee**

A written report was submitted.

They want to meet with the news team to discuss adding more news. During their meeting, they planned the Friday May 29 LSB show.

#### **XII. New Business**

A motion was requested by Kathleen. The motion that was made wasn't addressed in the open meeting. It involved personnel masters. The regular meeting convened and the LSB went into executive session.

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**XIII. Adjourned** the Regular Meeting at 10:26 pm

**Convened the Executive Session** 10:30 pm

Sabooh Hikim, **Chair adjourned** the meeting at 11:29 pm

Minutes submitted by: Secretary, Ellen Williams Carter