

Draft Minutes  
Regular Pacifica National Board OPEN Session  
Teleconference Meeting  
Thursday, January 28, 2021, 8:30 pm ET  
All times are Eastern Time

Directors:

Wayne Bruce, WPFW, Listener Chris Cory, KPFA, Listener Vanessa Dixon-Briggs, WPFW, Listener Lynden Foley, KPFT, Listener Jose S. Gutierrez, Jr., KAOS, Affiliate Heather Gray, WFRG, Affiliate Julie Hewitt, WPFW, Listener Sabrina Jacobs, KPFA, Staff Wally James, KPFT, Staff DeWayne Lark, KPFT, Listener, Vice-Chair Ali Lexa, KPFK, Staff	Jim Osbourne, KPFK, Listener Ron Pinchback, WPFW, Staff Ralph Poynter, WBAI, Listener Sandra Rawline, KPFT, Listener Shawn Rhodes, WBAI, Staff James Sagurton, WBAI, Listener Alex Steinberg, WBAI, Listener Andrea Turner, KPFA, Listener Elizabeth von Gunten, KPFK, Listener Tom Voorhees, KPFA, Listener Lawrence Reyes, KPFK, Listener, chair protem
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Others:

Lydia Brazon, Interim Executive Director  
Anita Sims, Interim Chief Financial Officer  
Nancy Sorden, PNB Secretary Protem  
Arthur Schwartz, Pacifica Counsel  
John Tatum, Parliamentarian  
Marianne Edain, Recording Secretary

1. Preliminary items 5 min.

8:42

A. Call Meeting to Order – Lawrence Reyes, Chair Protem

B. Roll Call – New director Gutierrez is absent so is not seated

The new directors are Beth von Gunten – KPFK, James Osborne - KPFK, Ali Lexa - KPFK, Wayne Bruce - WPFW, Julie Hewitt - WPFW, Jose Gutierrez - KAOS

8:48

C. Elect Protem Officers

pro-tem chair nominations: DeWayne Lark and Alex Steinberg

Alex was elected chair for the remainder of the meeting.

DeWayne: 6, Alex: 9

8:56

Lawrence Reyes was elected vice chair pro-tem, there being no other candidate.

Nancy Sorden was elected secretary pro-tem, there being no other candidate.

9:02

D. Excused Absences – Jose Gutierrez

E. Identify Timekeepers

people – Heather Gray 90 seconds per person

topics – Sandra Rawline

F. Announcements - there were no announcements

2. Agenda approval 5 min.

9:06

Lawrence – moved to have his motion concerning the governance committee added to the open session agenda, perhaps during the time for the governance committee report.

There being no objection, the item was added to the agenda.

Lynden – moved that item 10.a. unfinished business be moved to position 6.a.

There being no objection, item 10.a was moved to 6.a

Ron – moves that committee orientation be postponed to the next meeting.

There being no objection, this item was postponed

9:20

The agenda was adopted as amended.

3. Approve Minutes of the Open Session of 1-7-21 continued on 1-14-21 3 min.

These minutes were not yet available for approval.

4. 2021 PNB Members Introductions - 30 min

Members introduced themselves, with short descriptions of themselves and their work with Pacifica.

5. Election of permanent officers – 30 mins

a) verify official email addresses of PNB members for ballot receipt

Secretary Nancy proposed to send out test emails for verification.

9:23

c) Nominations for permanent officers

chair: Lawrence Reyes

Alex Steinberg

James Sagurton - declines

vice chair: DeWayne Lark

James Sagurton – declines

Vanessa Dixon-Briggs -declines

Ron Pinchback – declines

Sandra Rawline

secretary: Nancy is pro-tem

Nancy

Polina

b) Vote on protocol and deadline for email election

***Motion for 2021 PNB Officers Elections (Submitted by DeWayne Lark, 2021 PNB Vice Chair, Pro-tem)***

*Whereas, Terry Goodman has agreed to serve as teller for the 2021 PNB Officers Election and John Garry has agreed to serve as assistant teller;*

*Whereas, 12th Edition Rules authorize ballot distribution by tellers,*

*I move that the PNB Secretary immediately send the names and email addresses of all voting members to the teller (Terry Goodman), and that the following timeline be adopted for the 2021 PNB Officers Election*

*1/28/2021 @ 11:59 pm EST - deadline for nominations*

*1/31/2021 - email ballots to voting members*

*2/5/2021 @ 10:00 pm EST - deadline to receive ballots*

*2/10/2021 - ballots processed and tabulated*

***Motion to Establish Voting Process for Elections of PNB Officers (Presented by Alex Steinberg)***

*Voting for the following elections shall be by Instant Runoff Voting (IRV) to elect one Director to each position, in accordance with prior and current Board policies and practices: PNB Chair, PNB Vice Chair, PNB Secretary.*

*The Current Secretary or Secretary Pro Tem shall e-mail ballots and voting instructions to the PNB Directors, before midnight Eastern Time on Jan 29, 2021. The ballots shall be returned to Terry Goodman who shall be the Election Teller, and to John Garry who shall be the Secondary Ballot Recipient, with the ballot return deadline being midnight Eastern Time on Feb 2, 2021. The Teller and Secondary Ballot Recipient shall tabulate the ballots via a Zoom conference that is accessible to the public for viewing no earlier than Noon Feb 3 Eastern Time. The link to the Zoom conference of the voting tabulation shall be noticed on the [kpfix.org](http://kpfix.org) web site no later than Jan. 30 2021. Election results shall be reported by the Teller to the PNB via email before midnight Eastern Time on the date of the public tallies.*

*If any of the IRV elections results in a tie vote, then the winner shall be decided by a coin toss performed by the Election Teller and witnessed by at least one other person who is physically or virtually present.*

The motion is approved.  
10:58

Secretary pro-tem Nancy verifies that all board members are receiving email from pnb.org.

Lydia makes a quick announcement – ppp2 has been approved. \$1.2 million in relief funds. She gives enormous thanks to Tamra, Anita, & the bankers. This is a forgivable loan.

12. Adjourn to Closed Session - The meeting was adjourned to closed session  
11:03

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Meeting Notice

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Purpose: Nominations and set election process for PNB Officers and Committees [Committee Members](#)

Agenda

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