NOTES FROM THE 9-15-2013 CAB MEETING

ADDRESSING DECISIONS raises question of subjects of earlier meetings...

KEN – notes that 1st meeting addressed PART 1, held in July, regarding formal change.

KEN – notes that the August CAB meeting addressed PART 2, that is, how CAB relates to the station, staff, and community.

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

PART 1 –

KPFA exists / gets $/grant needing a CAB
Minutes of CAB are open to public
Bios may be open to public
Update site with CAB / done
Get input from community – and bring this information to the station

PART 2 –

Real desire to reach out to community
Trying to define community – concluded 5 types both social and geographically bound

PART 3 – STRATEGIES

CAROL – key is ‘ambassador’-like role to the station/ community (often dealing with local issues more than, say, global). Notes that in the past, stations were required to talk with people in community and prove that spoke with community. Tho’ this requirement was since eliminated, it reflects a sense of CAB purpose.

KEN – poses question – how to solve problem of CAB autonomy vs. communities.

KEN – How to decide what is most valuable to (1) station and (2) community

CAROL – CAB s/b broader than station in outreach. CAB s/b LINKAGE to community and bring back ideally it w/b in way that brings actual people to represent to staff

KEN – says CAB ideas need too dialogue with station first – checking if interested – before do survey

JUDITH – Notes that board is changing

STEVE – Notes that Program board is uncertain, nebulous and changing also.

NANCY – On LSB without program notes that it isn’t supposed to have one, that, actually, it follows the bylaws.
CAROL – Supports “checking” with staff but not subordinating the identity and outreach of CAB to staff

KEN – Notes that to know who decision-makers are on program changes.

STEVE – Wants something more tied to community – noting that need to start with independence of the CAB

JEN – suggests that Carol’s language of “checking in” seemed to utter the kind of position that the CAB seeks

KEN – Notes that community outreach is like a ‘town hall’ meeting’, e.g., like West Oakland, though noting that the WO experience was weak.

STEVE – Notes that no one had any relation to social justice issues in West Oakland, that people on street didn’t listen to the radio station, that often were without computers to listen, not a good precedent for community outreach. However, Steve believes there is more potential for East Side Arts because of its already existing network.

NANCY – RE Board’s relationship to programming, selecting nominees for General Manager whereas board only in general sense makes sure mission of station is not violated.

JEN – ‘Proposes’ CABs outline, where there is a semi-autonomous CAB overlapping with the staff when through “checking in” channels (visually as with two slightly overlapping spheres, CAB and staff, with arms of CAB extending into community). Chart for CAB and “key players” as relates to its mission/objectives in community and in relation to staff/station as decided during meeting:

1. Station goals / staff management mission – with CAB “check in”
2. Independent community (key contacts)
   a. CAB “check in” and representation from key areas
3. Ascertain key community issues organize Town Hall in West Oakland and KPFA East Side Arts
4. Give input to staff including:
   a. Producers
   b. Contacts
   c. LSB input
   d. Management

ROBIN – I s going to talk with Joy try to figure out whom to talk to

JUDITH – Notes that Joy may not provide information looking for as dealing with many issues

TOPIC SHIFTS TO WHO WILL DO KEN’S TASKS:

Tasks distributed to Judith, Robin, Steve, and Carol.

Group is trying to decide who will handle minutes, who will submit to station...
STEVE – Expresses frustration at the fact that the KPFA staff bureaucracy has slowed down the effectiveness of the CAB for “two years” – which he feels is again demonstrated in Miguel’s request to have minutes in a pdf and not word .doc.

(Discussion regarding how to create pdf files takes place..)

JEN – Suggests that perhaps to circumvent the hazards of bureaucratic inefficiency that Steve cites, CAB can ask the staff to include a parenthetical (“why”) with their requests.

STEVE – Agrees

TOPIC SHIFTS TO SURVEYS AND NEXT MEETING:

JUDITH – Notes that surveys need analysis considerations

CAROL – Proposes that this be subject of November meeting

DECIDED that next meeting will discuss Town Hall as on different day as meeting more in accord with community availability.