To: KPFA LSB

Fr: Susan McDonough

Re: Minutes, 11-8-08 LSB & Delegates' Meeting at the IAM Hall, Fresno, CA 12pm-3:30pm

Approved at the Jan 2009 LSB meeting

Dt: November 24, 2008

### **Item #1:** Call to Order

Aki Tanaka Joe Wanzala Brian Edwards-Susan McDonough Andrea Turner **Tiekert Rych Withers** Tico Chacin Anthony Fest Chandra Hauptman Shahram Aghamir Tracy Rosenberg **Bonnie Simmons** Conn Hallinan Sherry Gendelman Warren Mar

Henry Norr Sureya Sayadi

#### **Item #2: Introductions and Announcements**

**Item #3: Absent LSB Members Excused:** Dianne Enriquez, Matthew Hallinan, Sarv Randhawa, Lewis Sawyer, Naji Ali and Noelle Hanrahan.

# Item #4: Agenda Review and Approval

Motion to amended agenda made & seconded to add GM Evaluation to Committee Reports, to add to New Business a request from Unite HERE #2 (Susan) and a discussion on the December meeting. No objections.

It was moved and seconded to cancel the December LSB meeting. Question called, objection by Chandra. Vote to end debate: Yes 7, No: 0. Proposal to move the previously scheduled December meeting from Dec 13 to Dec 6 (KPFA Crafts Fair is Dec 13-14, many will be working at it). Vote on Dec 6 meeting date: Yes: 8, No: 8, Chair votes No breaking tie, motion fails. Motion made and seconded that the next LSB meeting will be January 10, 2009, with no December meeting. Vote: Yes:8, No: 8, Chair breaks tie voting Yes. Next LSB meeting will be January 10, 2009. Motion made and seconded that the location of the January meeting will be left to the officers with options being So Berk Sr Ctr, Frt & Salvage, Café de la Paz or the East Side Arts Alliance. No objections.

## **Item # 5: Minutes Review and Approval**

Motion made to approve amended minutes. Seconded, no objections.

#### **Item #6: Consent Calendar**

No consent calendar.

### **Item #7: Public Comment**

Public speakers included: Vickie Fouts, Jim Compton-Schmidt, Jan Slagter, Jack Van Aken, Faye Rowland, Debbie Speer. Motion made & seconded to suspend rules for remainder of public comment for informal discussion with audience. No objections.

**Item #8: Treasurer's Report** - Treasurer delivered his report.

## **Item #9: Committee Reports:**

Chandra will send out an email to schedule a Personnel Committee meeting.

Motion made and seconded to take up five PNB bylaws amendments as it is time sensitive. No objections. Moved and seconded to recess for the purpose of reconvening as delegates. No objections.

#### PNB PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS:

### PBA1. Proposed amendment to Article Seventeen, Section 1(B) of the Pacifica Bylaws:

[This amendment would permit Directors to propose Bylaws amendments at any time in a given year, without thereby imposing a restriction (in the form of a 2/3 vote requirement) on newly elected or returning Directors who may be seated in January of the subsequent year.]

## ARTICLE 17: AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BYLAWS

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

B. VOTING AND APPROVAL

(1) Unless the Board by a 2/3 vote decides otherwise, there shall be a maximum of one ballot per 12 month period calendar year related to the amendment of the Foundation's Bylaws, which annual voting period shall be determined by the Board. All properly proposed Bylaw amendments shall be held until that date which is 60 days before the earliest of the voting dates of the Board and of the Delegates, as determined by the Board (the "Notice Date"). On the Notice Date, the proposed amendment(s) to the Bylaws shall be posted on the Foundation's website and the Foundation's radio stations shall broadcast an announcement twice a day for a period of 60 days (the "Notice Period") regarding the existence of the proposed amendment(s) on the Foundation's website for review and the upcoming vote by the Board and Delegates regarding said amendment(s). The results of said voting by the Board and the Delegates on the proposed amendment(s) shall be reported within 15 days of the Board and Delegates meetings to vote on these amendments.

[The above amendment has been endorsed by Directors: (1) Carolyn Birden, (2) Mike Martin, (3) Efia Nwangaza (4) Rob Robinson, (5) Jamie Ross, (6) Wendy Schroell, (7) Bonnie Simmons, (8) Jack VanAken, (9) Joe Wanzala, (10) Yosh Yamanaka]

Motion made and seconded, in favor of PBA1: Yes – 14. Passes.

## PBA2. Proposed amendment to Article Six, Sections 3 & 4 of the Pacifica Bylaws:

[In addition to in-person meetings and special meetings, this amendment will create a third category called "monthly" meetings. It enables the elimination of the restriction which prohibits the holding of board meetings by telephone, video conferencing, or other communications equipment unless it is a special meeting. The prohibition against holding the first three in-person meetings by telephone or video equipment is maintained.]

# ARTICLE SIX:MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### **SECTION 3. TELEPHONIC MEETINGS**

The Board may hold **monthly or** special meetings, but not regular meetings, by telephone conference, video screen communication or other communications equipment, provided, however, that telephoneic or videographic appearance at meetings scheduled as "in-person" meetings is not permitted **except when the 4<sup>th</sup> in-person is held pursuant to Article Six, section 1 as amended in November, 2008**. Participation in a telephonic meeting under this Section shall constitute presence at the meeting if all of the following apply:

- A. Each Director participating in the meeting can communicate concurrently with all other Directors.
- B. Each Director is provided the means of participating in all matters for the Board, including the capacity to propose, or to interpose an objection to, a specific action to be taken by the Foundation.
- C. The Board has a means of verifying that the person participating at the meeting is a Director and that all votes cast during said meeting are cast only by Directors.

## **SECTION 4. NOTICE**

Notice of every regular monthly or in-person meeting of the Board of Directors, stating the time and place of said meeting, and the purposes thereof, shall be sent to each Director by first class mail, facsimile or email, according to the preference each Director specifies in writing to the Foundation's Secretary, at least thirty (30) twenty-one (21) days before any such meeting. Special meetings shall require only seven (7) days advance notice, but shall also require telephonic notice by leaving a message at the telephone number given to the Foundation's Secretary for such notice by each Director, and shall specify the purpose of the meeting. No additional business not stated in the notice shall be conducted at a special meeting. Notice of all meetings shall be placed on the Foundation's website and announced a minimum of 3 times daily on air for five consecutive days on all Foundation radio stations, beginning, whenever reasonably possible, no later than ten days before the date of said meeting.

Notice of a meeting hereunder will be deemed waived by a Director who affirmatively agrees to attend a meeting or to

waive this advance notice requirement, signs a waiver of notice or a written consent to hold the meeting, or who attends the meeting without protesting prior to the meeting or upon commencement of the meeting to the lack of notice to that Director

[The above amendment to sections 3 and 4 have been endorsed by Directors: (1) Grace Aaron, (2) Mike Martin, (3) Efia Nwangaza, (4) Rob Robinson, (5) Jamie Ross, (6) Joe Wanzala, (7) Yosh Yamanaka.]

Motion made and seconded. PBA2: Yes: 5, No:8. Amendment fails.

# PBA3. Proposed amendment to Article Six, Section 1 of the Pacifica Bylaws

[The proposed amendment would permit the Pacifica National Board to eliminate one of the four in-person meetings presently required under the Bylaws, but only if 2/3rds of the Directors agree that elimination of the 4<sup>th</sup> in-person meeting is necessitated by "financial or other emergency conditions."]

#### ARTICLE SIX: MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1 - TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS

The "Annual Meeting" of the Board of Directors shall take place in late January each year, or at such other time and place as agreed to by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. The Board shall also regularly meet in March, June and September of each year. The Board shall also meet in person no fewer than three other times each year, unless by a two-thirds vote, the Board determines that financial or other emergency conditions require canceling one of the other three meetings. In the event that such an in-person meeting is cancelled, the Board shall arrange for a telephonic and/or electronic meeting that includes provisions for public comment during the meeting by broadly accessible means. The four regular Board meetings shall rotate through the five Foundation radio station areas so that meetings do not take place twice in the radio same station area until a meeting has been held in all other station areas. Inperson board meetings shall rotate among the five Foundation radio station signal areas except when the board determines by a two-thirds vote that financial or other emergency conditions require a modification in the rotation order. Each signal area shall host an in-person board meeting at least once during any 24-month period but no more than once in any 12-month period.

[The above amendment has been recommended by a majority vote of all the Delegates at KPFK and KPFA.]

Motion made and seconded. Yes:1, No: 12. Amendment fails.

# PBA4. Proposed amendment to Article Five, Sections 4(A) and 4(B) of the Pacifica Bylaws:

[This amendment would change the Affiliate Directors election timeline to facilitate election of Affiliate Directors (by the Pacifica National Board) prior to the close of Director terms in January. The advantage provided is that new Affiliate Directors would be seated concurrently with other new and returning Directors in January of each year, and have the same opportunities to vote in PNB Officer elections, and elections to standing committees. Changes in bold indicate the shift of timeline. Also, the election would most likely take place by email or postal mail balloting.]

## ARTICLE FIVE: BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FOUNDATION

Section 4: Nomination and Election of Affiliate Representative Directors A. NOMINATION

Any Foundation "affiliate station" (as defined below) or any association of affiliate stations may nominate one or more candidates for the two Affiliate Director positions on the Board. Nominations shall close on February November 15th each year and shall be submitted in writing to the Foundation Secretary for forwarding to the board. Every affiliate station or association of affiliate stations submitting nominee(s) shall include with said nomination(s) a written explanation of its procedure for selecting the nominee(s). Said statement shall be certified by the station general manager or the governing board secretary of each affiliate station nominating said candidate(s) or by the secretary of the association of affiliate stations, as appropriate. In addition, each nominee shall submit his/her resume and a statement of his/her interest in serving as a Director of the Foundation. The Foundation Secretary shall forward to all Foundation Directors all materials submitted supporting each nominee not later than March-December 1<sup>st</sup>.

For purposes of this Section, an "affiliate station" shall be defined as any non-profit non-commercial broadcaster that broadcasts programming provided or distributed by the Foundation pursuant to a written agreement with the Foundation, including, for example, community radio stations, internet broadcasters or digital broadcasters, as such technology may be

developed. An affiliate station shall not be a radio station whose broadcast license is held by the Foundation. For purposes of this Section, an "association of affiliate stations" shall be defined as any group of affiliate stations that have joined together to form an association, provided that said association has adopted bylaws and its membership is limited solely of affiliate stations.

#### B. ELECTION

As the first order of business, and given 30 days advance notice, at the a Board meeting in March-December each year, the Directors present and voting (excluding any then current Affiliate or At-Large Directors from the vote) shall establish a protocol for balloting and shall elect two (2) Affiliate Representative Directors from the nominees submitted by affiliate stations and/or affiliate station associations, using the Single Transferable Voting method. Affiliate Directors shall serve for a one-year term which shall commence immediately upon their election with their seating at the regular January Board meeting.

[The above amendment has been endorsed by Directors: (1) Nia Bediako, (2) Efia Nwangaza, (3) Sarv Randhawa (4) Rob Robinson, (5) James Ross, (6) Jack VanAken.]

Motion made and seconded. Yes:14 No:0 . Amendment passes

# PBA5. Proposed amendment to the Pacifica Bylaws:

ARTICLE SIX: MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION THREE - TELEPHONIC MEETINGS

[This amendment will eliminate the restriction which prohibits the holding of <u>regular</u> board meetings by telephone, video conferencing, or other communications equipment.]

The Board may hold special meetings, but not regular meetings by telephone conference, video screen communication or other communications equipment, provided, however, that telephone appearance at meetings scheduled as "in-person" meetings is not permitted. Participation in a telephonic meeting under this Section shall constitute presence at the meeting if all of the following apply:

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- C. The Board has a means of verifying that the person participating at the meeting is a Director and that all votes cast during said meeting are cast only by Directors.

[The above amendment has been recommended by a majority vote of all the Delegates at KPFK and KPFA.]

Motion made and seconded. Yes:2 No:13 amendment fails.

Motion made to reconvene regular LSB and seconded. No objections.

## Item #10: Report from KFCF

Motion made and seconded to move the KFCF report up on the agenda from Item 11 to Item 10. Requires 2/3 vote: Yes: 13, Oppose: 1. Motion carries.

Station manager Rych Withers gave report on station and invited guests and LSB members to go on a tour of the station following the LSB meeting.

#### **Item #11: LSB Self Evaluation:**

Motion made and seconded to postpone item to next meeting.

### **Item #12: New Business**

Motion made and seconded to endorse Unite HERE Local 2 hotel campaign. No objections; Passes.

# 3:30pm LSB Adjourned