

Pacifica National Board—Teleconference (Open Session)

8:30 PM EST, 7:30 PM CST, 5:30 PM PST (scheduled)

Originating in Various Locations

Thursday, December 13, 2012

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order and Opening Business

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chair at 5:40 PM Pacific Standard Time with an initial quorum of 18.

a. Roll Call / Establish Quorum

Twenty-one members were present, constituting a quorum:

Ken Aaron (KPFK), Teresa Allen (KPFT), Nia Bediako (WBAI), Wesley Bethune (KPFT), Carolyn Birden (WBAI), Lydia Brazon (KPFK), Bill Crosier (Vice-Chair, KPFT), Kathy Davis (WBAI), Revalyn Gold (WPFW), Heather Gray (Affiliates), Campbell Johnson (WPFW), Ali Lexa (KPFK), Efia Nwangaza (Secretary, Affiliates), Laura Prives (KPFA), Summer Reese (Chair, iED, KPFK), Marcel Reid (WPFW), George Reiter (KPFT), Tracy Rosenberg (KPFA), Dan Siegel (KPFA), Alex Steinberg (WBAI), Andrea Turner (KPFA).

One member was absent: Ivon Alcime (WPFW).

Also present: John P. Garry III (Recording Secretary).

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I.b. Determine Excused Absences

None submitted.

I.c. Designate Timekeeper (5:44)

Without objection, Rosenberg volunteered to be the timekeeper.

II. Open Session Agenda Approval (5:44)

Reiter **moved to amend**: Bylaws Amendments shall be 45 minutes in length, with a time limit of 6 minutes for each Amendment. Brazon seconded.

Motion **passed** by a roll call vote: Yes—9, No—7, Abstain—1.

Yes—Bediako, Bethune, Brazon, Gold, Johnson, Prives, Reid, Reiter, Siegel.

No—Aaron, Allen, Birden, Gray, Lexa, Rosenberg, Steinberg.

Abstain—Nwangaza.

Present not voting—Crosier.

Bediako **moved** to set a time-certain for adjournment of the open session at 10:30 PM EST. Johnson seconded. Reiter **called the question**. No second recorded, motion withdrawn, discussion continued.

Rosenberg **moved to substitute**: Open session shall end at 11:00 PM EST. Birden seconded.

Substitute motion **failed** by a roll call vote: Yes—7, No—10, Abstain—1.

Yes—Aaron, Alcime, Bethune, Birden, Lexa, Rosenberg, Steinberg.

No—Bediako, Brazon, Gold, Johnson, Nwangaza, Prives, Reid, Reiter, Siegel, Turner.

Abstain—Gray.

Present not voting—Crosier.

Main motion **passed** by a roll call vote: Yes—10, No—6, Abstain—2.

Yes—Bediako, Brazon, Gold, Johnson, Nwangaza, Prives, Reid, Reiter, Siegel, Turner.

No—Aaron, Allen, Bethune, Birden, Gray, Steinberg.

Abstain—Lexa, Rosenberg.

Present not voting—Crosier.

Without objection, it was agreed that iED Report shall occur after the arrival of the iED, at the end of a completed agenda item.

The amended agenda was **approved** without objection.

III. Open Session Minutes Approval (6:08)

After enumerating proposed corrections, Bediako **moved to postpone** approval of the December 6, 2012 minutes. Johnson seconded. **Passed** without objection.

VI, V. PNB Chair's Report / iED Report

Delayed without objection.

VII. Bylaws Amendments (6:10)

Without objection, the full reading of the Proposed Amendments was dispensed with.

Reiter **moved approval** of Proposed Amendment 1: Reduce the size of LSBs and delegate assemblies to 16 (from 24, a reduction of 1/3). Allen seconded.

The Chair joined the call at 6:20.

Amendment 1 was **approved** by a roll call vote: Yes—12, No—8, Abstain—0.

Yes—Aaron, Allen, Birden, Crosier, Gray, Lexa, Prives, Reese, Reiter, Rosenberg, Siegel, Steinberg.

No—Bediako, Bethune, Brazon, Gold, Johnson, Nwangaza, Reid, Turner.

Reese took the Chair.

Proposed Amendment 2: Reduce the size of the PNB to 17 (from 22)

Amendment 2 was **approved** by a roll call vote: Yes—12, No—8, Abstain—0.

Yes—Aaron, Allen, Crosier, Gray, Johnson, Lexa, Prives, Reese, Reiter, Rosenberg, Siegel, Steinberg.

No—Bediako, Bethune, Birden, Brazon, Gold, Nwangaza, Reid, Turner.

Proposed Amendment 3: Reduce the size of national committees, let LSBs select alternate members.

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Amendment 3 **failed** by a roll call vote: Yes—10, No—10, Abstain—1.

Yes—Aaron, Allen, Crosier, Gray, Johnson, Lexa, Prives, Reid, Siegel, Turner.

No—Bediako, Bethune, Birden, Brazon, Davis, Gold, Nwangaza, Reese, Reiter, Steinberg.
Abstain—Rosenberg.

Proposed Amendment 4: Remove Technology and Programming from list of “standing committees”

Amendment 4 was **approved** by a roll call vote: Yes—14, No—7, Abstain—0.

Yes—Aaron, Allen, Birden, Crosier, Gray, Johnson, Lexa, Prives, Reese, Reid, Rosenberg, Siegel, Steinberg, Turner.

No—Bediako. Bethune, Brazon, Davis, Gold, Nwangaza, Reiter.

Proposed Amendment 5: Simplify Amendment Process

Reiter **moved to extend** 15 minutes. Nwangaza seconded. **Passed** without objection. (6:58)
Aaron **called the agenda**.

Amendment 5 was **approved** by a roll call vote: Yes—17, No—1, Abstain—0.

Yes—Aaron, Allen, Birden, Brazon, Crosier, Davis, Gold, Gray, Johnson, Lexa, Prives, Reese, Reid, Reiter, Rosenberg, Siegel, Steinberg.

No—Bediako.

Proposed Amendment 6: In-Person Meetings of the Pacifica National Board.

Amendment 6 **failed** by a roll call vote: Yes—9, No—11, Abstain—1.

Yes—Allen, Bediako, Brazon, Gray, Johnson, Prives, Reid, Siegel, Turner.

No—Aaron, Bethune, Birden, Crosier, Davis, Gold, Lexa, Nwangaza, Reiter, Rosenberg, Steinberg.

Abstain—Reese.

Proposed Amendment 7: LSB Town Halls & Fund Raising

Johnson **called the question**.

Amendment 7 was **passed** by a roll call vote: Yes—14, No—2, Abstain—5.

Yes—Allen, Bediako, Birden, Crosier, Davis, Gold, Gray, Johnson, Nwangaza, Prives, Reid, Siegel, Steinberg, Turner.

No—Aaron, Brazon.

Abstain—Bethune, Lexa, Reese, Reiter, Rosenberg.

Point of order from Rosenberg: We are over-time on this item and have a time-certain for adjournment in 12 minutes.

Responding to a request by Brazon, the Chair committed to look into the matter of KPFA re-voting on Bylaws Amendments (The KPFA LSB voted before the notice period was extended).

IV, V. PNB Chair's Report / iED Report (7:19)

Point of order from Rosenberg: If the consolidated budget is not passed tonight, that item will be moved to 2013. It can be passed tonight. The Chair concurred.

The iED reported briefly and committed to address certain subjects in the closed session..

X. Committee & Task Force Reports (7:21)

Finance Committee (7:21)

Rosenberg (Finance Committee Chair) reported and **moved** the following:

Motion 1 – Consolidated Budget

Approve the FY2013 Pacifica Consolidated budget as presented by the NFC.

Consolidated Budget **approved** by a roll call vote: Yes—11, No—6, Abstain—3.

Yes—Aaron, Allen, Bethune, Birden, Crosier, Davis, Gray, Lexa, Reiter, Rosenberg, Steinberg.

No—Bediako, Brazon, Gold, Nwangaza, Prives, Turner.

Abstain—Johnson, Reid, Siegel.

Present not voting—Reese.

Crosier **moved to extend** 15 minutes. Reiter seconded. **Failed** by substitution.

Point of order from Johnson: We had a time-certain to adjourn at 10:30. **Point of**

order from Rosenberg: We have to resolve this before ending the call. Bediako **moved to substitute**: Extend 10 minutes. Crosier seconded. **Passed** without objection.

The Chair reported on technical staffing for the January In-Person Meeting. Streaming will not be available in New York City at that time. Discussion followed.

Steinberg **moved** (amended by Brazon): The PNB In-Person Meeting scheduled for January 2013 shall be postponed until February 22-25, 2013. Bediako seconded.

Motion **passed** without objection.

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM due to the expiration of time.

The Board reconvened in executive session from 7:46 PM to 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Efia Nwangaza, Secretary
John P. Garry III, Recording Secretary
(these minutes were approved on January 24, 2013)
