

March 5, 2010

a. Community Advisory Boards.

Resolution: Pacifica Community Advisory Boards.

Be it resolved that the LSB's as committees of the Pacifica National Board shall form Community Advisory Boards ("CABs") pursuant to this resolution. LSBs should consult the CPB guidelines for further guidance on related matters not directly addressed in this resolution:

The station management shall produce a document stating programming goals for the station and submit it to the CAB for review no later than May of each year. The CAB shall also conduct a community needs assessment ("CNA").

The CAB will prepare a report, based on the CNA, advising the governing body of the station on whether the programming and other policies of the station are meeting the specialized educational and cultural needs of the communities served by the station and whether the station is meeting its programming goals. This report and the CNA shall be presented to the LSB no later than October of each year.

The LSB and CAB should coordinate their schedules to ensure that the CAB members, or designated representatives from that body, may present this report to the LSB, and discuss its findings, during a regularly scheduled or special meeting of the LSB.

Each LSB may delegate other responsibilities to the advisory board to assist the governing board or station personnel. However, the law states: "In no case shall the [community advisory board] have any authority to exercise any control over the daily management or operation of the station."

General Managers, as non-voting members of the LSBs, may work with the LSBs on the implementation of this resolution. In addition, the General Manager will act as the liaison between the CAB and the station and will make available such resources to the CAB as are reasonably necessary in order for the CAB to carry out its duties.

All compliance documentation submitted to the CPB shall be made available for inspection at each station and at the Pacifica national office. The CAB's schedule of meetings, meeting minutes, and the names and short biographies of the CAB members shall be posted on the station website.

The CAB of each station shall comprise minimum of 4 members and a maximum of 24 members. Nominations to the CAB are invited from community groups, educational and cultural institutions, past and present CAB members, LSBs and individual candidates. Individuals may also self-nominate. The LSB makes its appointments to the CAB from the group of nominees using the single transferable vote ("STV") preferential voting system, for a term of three years. CAB members may serve no more than two (2) consecutive three-year terms. CAB members need not be members of the Pacifica Foundation. LSB members may not serve on the CAB.

This policy will go into effect in February 2010 and the LSB's shall ensure that new CABs are in place by May of 2010. All current CAB members may remain on the board while new members are added under this new Pacifica policy. Current CAB members shall be subject to the same term limit restrictions as new members. Stations are encouraged to develop materials on their websites to educate community members about the purpose and role of the CABs.

See for example:

<http://kpft.wordpress.com/2009/02/14/kpft-wants-members-of-cab-pc-huh/>
(see) http://www.wgbh.org/about/cab_factsheet.cfm for CAB nomination form exemplar)