

WBAI LSB GM & PD Search Committee 10-29-24

Present: Jim Dingeman (Chair), Eleanor Elizabeth Forman, Sally Gellert, Gloria Guillo, Alejandrina Murphy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Cerene Roberts

Absent: Simon Fitzgerald, Michael D.D. White

Also present: Kay Williams (Secretary), Daryl McPherson, Steve, Jim's friend from Berkeley

Final Agenda

1-Call to order – 1 min

2-Roll call - 3 min

3. Adopt Agenda and discuss executive sessions– 5 min

4. Approve minutes - 4 min

5-Discuss where to advertise job and assign tasks - 20 min

6. Set next meeting dates

7.-Adjourn - 2minutes

7 :10 pm ET – Call to order

Roll Call – results as above

7:17 pm ET Motion (Jim Dingeman) Motion to adopt agenda.

Amendment (Cerene Roberts) To discuss scheduling and advance notice of executive session.

Both the amendment and the original motion passed without objection.

The Chair asked if there were minutes to approve. M. Kay stated she had multiple time-consuming problems health and financial problems to contend with this week, and didn't have minutes to present at this time. They will be made available as soon as possible.

Gloria Guillo volunteered as timekeeper. The Chair asked for 90 minute limit on member contributions. There was an objection that R. Paul and other Robert's Rules experts have stated that there is no necessity for time limits on speakers in committees. The Chair acquiesced to this and there was no objection.

7:18 pm ET The committee discussed the scheduling and advance notice of executive sessions.

Jim stated that, while all sessions are pre-announced on kpftx, that part or all of the meeting may be in executive session, he will announce now that the beginning of the next meeting on 11-12-24 will be in executive session and last ½ hour. There was no objection.

7:24 pm ET The committee discussed free advertising possibilities.

Jim has already approached contacts at the NY Journalism schools and will continue with them.

Eleanor Elizabeth Forman volunteered to contact Radical Elders.

Katherine O'Sullivan and Sally Gellert volunteered, requesting Jim to give them an assignment.

Cerene requested that Jim post on the public list a dedicated thread of job posting locations by Thursday 10/31/24 and he stated that he would do that.

7:34 pm ET The committee again discussed the email where to have resumes sent.

Jim will contact Otis to see if he can set up a confidential gmail account.

Kay Williams reminded the group that lsb@wbai.org is a confidential gmail account which has been functional for many years, is free and available, and is already one of WBAI's resources.

Cerene Roberts expressed the opinion that this email doesn't function according to Pacifica bylaws.

Kay informed the group that this was discussed extensively at two meetings of the WBAI in April and May of 2023, for an hour each time, during which there were screenshares of the Pacifica bylaw passed in April 2021 regarding email contacts for the Board members. There were no motions or resolutions presented or voted on. There also was no consensus among the members how they wanted their email handled. Half wanted all of it to be sent without filter. But when this was done they complained that it was spam and they were afraid to open it. The other half wanted the secretary to filter out spam and any email suspicious of containing malware. The reason they are not getting email from the website is that almost all of it was spam or suspicious. There was one letter from a sincere listener which was forwarded. She objected to the pro-Palestinian slant on WBAI's mid-East programming. Some decided this letter must be bogus because the listener disagreed with the majority of the Board. This item has been on the agenda this whole year but we haven't gotten back to it to make a definitive decision. But it is a confidential gmail, a WBAI resource, and available without delay right now.

7:41 pm ET Next meeting dates were set for Tues, Nov 12 at 7 pm ET and Tues, Nov 19 at 7 pm ET.

7:45 pm ET The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by M. Kay Williams, Secretary