

Approved Minutes
Pacifica National Board Special Call-In Meeting
Open/Public Session, Thursday September 14,
2017 – 8:30 PM ET

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5. Motion: Telephonic Meeting

Motion: RESOLUTION PERMITTING TELEPHONIC PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL STATION BOARD AND DELEGATE MEETINGS by Jan Goodman

WHEREAS the Pacifica Bylaws are silent on the issue of telephonic participation in LSB/Delegate meetings; and

WHEREAS certain elected Members of Local Station Boards/Delegates (Members) are periodically unable to attend LSB and/or Delegate Meetings (hereafter Meeting) due to exigent circumstances.

Said exigent circumstances include the following:

- I. Some Members have health issues which would be adversely affected by attending a Meeting; and
- II. Some stations have terrestrial listeners who live more than 100 miles away from where meetings are held; and
- III. Some Members cannot attend a or several meetings because they have travelled more than 100 miles away at the time that a Meeting takes place.

Whereas when such a member is unable to participate in meetings, the democratic nature of the Pacifica Foundations governance structure is compromised.

THEREFORE, In order to facilitate more democratic participation in the Pacifica Governance Structure;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

Members of Local Station Boards/Delegates may participate in regular and special meetings by telephone conference, video screen communication or other communications equipment, in exigent circumstances, defined as

1. The health limitations of the Delegate/LSB Member (hereafter Member) would be harmed or impinged upon by attending an LSB or Delegate Meeting (hereafter Meeting); or
2. The Delegate/LSB member is 50 or more miles away from the meeting at the time that the meeting takes place.

Telephonic presence of the member under this Section shall constitute presence at the meeting if all of the following apply:

- A. Said Member participating in the meeting can communicate concurrently with all other Members and viceversa, on a comparable basis to in-person attendees such that each member can communicate with each other at said meeting.
- B. Said Member is provided the means of participating in all matters before the Board, including the capacity to propose or to interpose an objection to, a specific action to be taken by the Foundation, and including the right to vote either by voice vote or by email
- C. The Board has a means of verifying that the person participating at the meeting is a Member (including by other members recognizing the voice of said member); and that.
- D. The Public is able to hear all communications among all members.

Yes: Grace Aaron, Jonathan Alexander, David Beaton, Bill Crosier, Rhonda Garner, Sabrina Jacobs, Ken Laufer, Mansoor Sabbagh, TM Scruggs, Alex Steinberg, Akio Tanaka,

No: Adriana Casenave, Benito Diaz, Cerene Roberts, Themba Tshinba,
Abstain: Jim Brown, Robert Mark, Maskeelah Washington [11Y – 4N –

3A: Motion passes]