

## COMPLAINT PBRC007

2/28/2020 8:36:06

[email address redacted]

Sherry Gendelman

Anonymous: No

This is an harassing email sent by [name redacted] to those who have signed the staff letter and willing to have their name be added to the list of supporters of the new by-laws. Several staff members have received the same email and staff at the other stations have also. "> From: [name redacted] <[email address redacted]

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> Subject: Re: Are you supporting a 'Yes' vote? Your name is being used in the promo for a 'Yes' vote

> Date: February 27, 2020 at 4:27:54 PM PST

> To: [name redacted] <[email address redacted]

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> I am appalled that you would hand over Pacifica to people controlled by the [name redacted] group at KPFA who want to break up the network and sell assets.

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> This is NOT in the best interests of Pacifica or KPFA. You are sadly misinformed.

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> [name redacted]

>home: [phone number redacted]

>cell: [phone number redacted]

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>> On Feb 27, 2020, at 4:17 PM, [name redacted] <[email address redacted]

> wrote:

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>> Dear [name redacted],

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>> The below email is being circulated broadly including your name as a supporter of a 'Yes' vote on the proposed Bylaws Amendments. Is this true? Are you publicly taking a position in support of these Bylaws?

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>> Please let me know if you have any questions I can answer. Lots of things happening with Pacifica have been very complex and don't lend themselves to bumper sticker type analyses. I'd be happy to explain the rationale behind the 'No' argument.

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>> Let me mention a couple of things. First, because the new Board, if this referendum passes, would be heavily influenced by people from KPFA who were the main architects of these Bylaws, I think it more than likely that the KPFA building would be sold to pay the principal of the \$3.1 million loan. Of course, I think the ultimate intent is to sell the WBAI signal, but that is a lengthy process and cash will be needed to pay that loan. Personally, I would opt to refinance the loan. That can be done easily. But I think the KPFA folks, who have spoken on many occasions against refinancing the loan, would opt to sell our building. Also, I think the first action of this new appointed Board would be to rehire [name redacted], who shut down WBAI. I think he would redo that, but with Board approval, of course. There are many reasons why that would be a financial catastrophe. Too many to outline here.

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>> It may seem that I'm being hyperbolic. But we've just been through the shutdown of WBAI which was done without the knowledge or approval of the National Board and which was ILLEGAL.

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>> The people behind these new Bylaws supported that shutdown.  
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>> Contact me if you have any questions. I would be happy to hear from you.  
>>  
>> In peace,  
>> [name redacted]  
>> home: [phone number redacted]  
>>cell: [phone number redacted]

**Election Inspectors Response: The email in question shows no evidence of being distributed using Pacifica Foundation resources and so is out of the purview of the Election Inspectors Committee. If there is a question of staff members allegedly suffering harassment from a member of governance, that too is out of our purview. No action taken.**