

COMPLAINT PBRC009

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Anonymous: No

KPFT is still playing a cart, at least daily, that says the new Bylaws are on pacificafirst.org, but that directs listeners to call 713-526-4000 for more information about the Bylaws election. That number is the main office number for KPFT, but there is usually no one there to answer the phone - it just goes to a voice menu so people can select which extension to dial. If someone does answer it (usually a volunteer in this case), it's unlikely they'll know what to say to anyone who asks about the election, or they may just give their personal opinion of whether to vote yes or no. And they probably won't know what to tell people who say they did not get a ballot or when is the voting deadline, etc.

Suggested remedy:

Ensure that cart is removed from air play, and that KPFT management informs all staff that if someone does call to ask about the Bylaws election that the caller should be told to go to elections.pacificafirst.org (or pacificafirst.org) for more information.

For this and all other complaints, I suggest you e-mail all three of the election inspectors, and also fill out the online complaint form (see link below).

Here's what the online Fair Campaign Provisions say, on elections.pacificafirst.org/wordpress/2020-fair-campaign-provisions-bylaws-referendum/ (other parts of that web page need significant revision, too, but that can be the topic of another complaint):

Election Inspectors Response: The NES directed station management to remove the cart in question from airplay.