

A.N.C.C. - Ed Access

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TO: ED COMMITTEE MEMBERS
FROM: JOHN REPICKY
RE: MINUTES OF MEETING (Nov. 1, 2004)

Nov. 9, 2004

Darien:	Kelly Duncan
Easton:	
Greenwich:	
New Canaan:	Randy Clark
Norwalk:	Bill DeFilice
Redding:	
Stamford:	
Weston:	Peggy Jorgenson
Westport:	Candace McGovern
Wilton:	John Repicky
Wright Tech:	
Maritime Aq.	
Cablevision	Chris Klimek

1) Meeting began at 1:55 pm with 5 towns represented. Minutes of Oct. 4, 2004 were approved. Approved minutes will be posted on the ANCC web site.

2) Grants:

JR reviewed the status of the grant programs. Deadline in 12/31. CM submitted grant report for Westport's 2003 grant. Since we are nearing the deadline, JR asked how many districts were planning to apply. Grants from Westport, Weston, Norwalk, New Cannan and possibly the Convent of the Sacred Heart are anticipated. This led to a discussion of access for independent schools (see next item) and the allocation of remaining funds. At this point, it appears that 10 of the 12 grants will be filled. Please e-mail grant requests prior to the 12/6 meeting.

- New Canann is exploring the possibility of going totally digital for video, from creation to transmission on CH 78 as part of their HS renovation. The group discussed the possibility of an extended grant to help cover the cost.

3) Independent Schools: Each ed access channel is in effect a "3rd party provider" and must provide access for legitimate educational institutions. For example, Norwalk runs NCC programming. To facilitate this access, we need contact information for town's access channel. That is, the name, e-mail and phone number of the person responsible for programming the channel and playing the tapes.

4) Award Program:

- CK distributed grant program materials. Please copy and distribute to schools. JR will get materials on ANCC web site (Copies in MS Word will be available)
- CK needs to arrange photo ops for press releases in local papers announcing the program.
- CM did a PSA to run on CV in December.
- PJ presented a scoring rubric. The group will work on it at the 12/6 meeting. A copy will be sent prior to the meeting. Please review it and prepare a check-list of concepts for each of the 8 categories. We will worry about point distribution later. Maybe each could be in question form, for example: "Does the video support the school's purpose?"

5) Other:

KD asked about copyright clearance for music used in access programming. CK noted that, although CV does have an agreement with ASCAP, the limits of use are unclear. It is best to avoid music that is not cleared. The use of cleared music libraries is recommended. (Access funds can be used to purchase production music.) For more info, check the following web sites:

Creative Commons:	http://creativecommons.org
The Alliance for Community Media:	http://www.alliancecm.org/
Center for the Public Domain	http://www.centerforthepublicdomain.org/
Electronic Frontier Foundation	http://www.eff.org
Public Domain Info	http://www.pdinfo.com/

6) Remember, each transmission location must display at least a graphic by Jan. 1, 2005. CV is monitoring the I-net for content and gathering the contact names for I-net use.

Adjourned: 2:59 pm