

Lake Champlain Access Television
Meeting of the Board of Directors
November 23, 2009
Georgia Library

Present: Dick Pecor (DP), Neil Hilt (NH), Peter Russom (PR), Ron Stotyn (RS)
Channel Director Kevin Christopher (KC)

DP called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Public/Board/Staff Member comments:
There were no comments at this time.

Approval of Minutes:
RS made the motion, PR second, to approve the minutes of 9/28, 10/14 and 10/27/09.
Motion passed (DP abstain).

Old Business:
Service Territory: KC reported that the 12/7/09 meeting with Westford may be rescheduled to January as there may not be time of their December agenda. He should know more in a few days. KC met with Scott Campitelli and Oak LoGalbo, discussing program sharing and, as a result, 3 stations will be sharing programs to service Westford (LCATV, RETN and MMCTV).

Web platform: December 14, 2009 will be the official soft launch of the new web platform. This is also the date of our next meeting. KC has used the PayPal mechanism and it seems to work well. The website is currently at lcatv.cctv.org but the domain will transfer to www.lcatv.org for the launch.

Contract: Sector groups are going well. There are 3-4 more scheduled for after the first of the year as well as individual interviews in the near future.

Digital Medial Program: KC has met with Sue at the Georgia Library to explain the capital ownership changes in the DMP. As soon as all the paperwork has been completed, KC will contact Comcast and update them. KC let the Board know that the Milton Independent had an article about LCATV, Neil and the Georgia program in their last issue. Rebecca Padula will be doing an equipment primer course for the libraries. Board members are welcome to attend. KC will send out an email and let us know the dates.

New Facility Exploration: Mike Simoneau sent Jim Carroll's response letter to KC who forwarded it to the Board for review. After brief discussion, the Board had many questions and essentially needed clarification on many issues raised in the letter. KC will follow up on this.

Staff Restructuring: There is nothing to report at this time.

New Business:

Review budget: KC presented 2 drafts. Version #1 reflects business as usual. Version #2 reflects expenses related to new territory, increased staff, equipment and a new facility. The budget will probably look like a combination of the two drafts as our situation changes. RS made the motion, PR second, to adopt draft #1 at this time. Motion passed. KC reminded us that the upgrade of the control system is not included in the budgets as the Board approved use of reserve funds for this earlier in the year.

Treasurer's Report: Total current assets \$364,956.18. Total assets \$435,330.35. This does not include a recent deposit of ~\$83,000 which represented a quarterly funding check.

RS wondered if we shouldn't put more money into CD's. KC will talk with Maureen Garafano about doing this, probably with ~\$100,000, as long as it didn't interfere should be make a facility purchase.

Future Agenda Items:

Follow up with Mike Simoneau on a contract

Next meeting: 12/14: regular meeting at 5:30; friends, family, guests at 6 pm with catering by Junior's. KC will extend an invitation to a wide group of people who he has been in contact with this past year.

Adjournment:

At 6:25 pm, PR made the motion, NH second, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned. Next Meeting 12/14/09 at the Colchester site.

Respectfully submitted,

Kary Towne
Secretary