

**Lake Champlain Access Television
Meeting of the Board of Directors
May 28, 2013
Meeting Site: North Hero Chamber of Commerce**

Present: Sam Conant, Neil Hilt, Rich Hamlin, Kary Towne, Kevin Christopher, Bob Sekerak

1. Call to Order
 - a. Sam called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm
2. Approve Agenda
 - a. Neil made the motion, Rich second, to approve the agenda. Motion passed.
3. Board, Staff, Public comments
 - a. Sam reported he was invited to the St. Albans station's annual meeting which was held in North Hero. He felt it was an impressive evening which included several awards. This is something we might consider doing. Neil had attended a school board meeting where a question came up about how to get St. Albans events on our channels. Kevin reminded everyone that we met with the St. Albans staff and board members in March and discussed program sharing. They are open to this. Our problem now is space—we need to be thinking about a 3rd channel. He briefly explained the procedure for this.
4. Approval of minutes of 4/26/13
 - a. Bob made the motion, Kary second, to approve the minutes of 4/26/13. Motion passed.
5. Old Business:
 - a. *Alternative funding, underwriting and sponsorship* : Sam continues to work on this . Neil suggested that this could be a part time job and there was a brief discussion about this. Sam will contact some (non profit) grant writers and find out their fee schedule. Kevin presented an idea about studio utilization. He has connections to some theater groups who would be interested in bringing their sets and shows to the studio for a performance. Our studio could hold 35 paying audience members. We would split the profits. The Board liked this idea and encouraged Kevin to move forward with this plan.
 - b. *Future of digital media program*: The current plan is for Kevin to meet with the librarians at Milton, Colchester and Georgia to let them know of our plan to reorganize the DMP. We would reclaim the unused funds and determine how we can update it – the current equipment available is now out of date. Kevin will keep us updated.
 - c. *New outreach opportunities*: Sam continues to think about businesses and agencies who might benefit from our resources. He encouraged the Board to think about who is in our community and reaching out to them. The history of Colchester was a project that Stephanie worked on for 2 years with Colchester citizens. Neil and Rich will talk about how to move forward for a similar project in Georgia. Kevin and Bob will consider approaching the Milton Historical Society.
6. Treasurer's Report
 - a. There is no balance sheet available at this meeting. Kevin, Dick and Carol have been busy getting all the paperwork in order and current for the signer at the financial institutions we use.
7. New Business:
 - a. Election forums: Kevin is interested in making some changes. For the last election, he contacted the local papers and proposed a collaborative effort—a taped forum with the people running for office in front of an audience. The Milton Independent ran an article

with the details of the forum. It went well in Milton. He is considering moving to this format in the future. This could work well considering we now have 8 towns.

8. Future agenda items:
 - a. 3rd channel
 - b. Outreach (get ideas to Kevin)
 - c. Alternative funding/underwriting
 - d. DMP
 - e. Georgia Historical Society

9. Executive Session
 - a. None needed
10. Adjournment
 - a. At 6:48 Bob made the motion, Neil second, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned. Kevin will contact us via email to schedule our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kary Towne
Secretary