

A.N.C.C. - Ed Access

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TO: ED COMMITTEE MEMBERS
FROM: JOHN REPICKY
RE: MINUTES OF MEETING (Jan. 23, 2006 - Westport)

Jan. 24, 2006

Darien:	Vicki MarkAnthony
Easton:	
Greenwich:	Charlie Chiesa
New Canaan:	
Norwalk:	Bill De Felice
Redding:	Gayle Bogel
Stamford:	
Weston:	
Westport:	
Wilton:	John Repicky
Wright Tech:	Randy Whitman
NCC	Stoney Duren
Maritime Aq.	Andy Bess
Sacred Heart	
Conv. Of Sac. Hrt.	
Cablevision	Dominic Antonacci

1) Meeting began at 1:35 pm with 7 schools represented. Minutes of Dec. 5, 2005 were approved. Approved minutes will be posted on the ANCC web site.

2) 2005 Grants:

- JR noted that 2 grant recipients (NC & Nwlk) have not yet submitted the voucher for funds. (see ANCC website for form)

- To date, grants totaling \$50,045.20 have been made; there is \$9049.46 remaining in the account.

Motion: To roll over the remaining funds into the 2006 grant program. Approved: Unan.

- Grant reports are due from the following: NC, Norwalk, Redding, Westport, NCC, Conv. Of Sacred Heart, Wright Tech. Forms are available on the ANCC website.

- C Chiesa asked that the ANCC consider providing a larger share of the 2006 funds to the Ed Access community as there are more entities producing programs for CH 78.

3) Access Awards:

- Due date for elementary entries is March 15. Secondary entries are due April 15. The committee decided to cancel the Feb. 27 meeting and set meetings for 3/27 and 4/24 to judge the entries.

Members are asked to notify JR of the number of entries they are bringing as soon after the due dates as possible.

4) Construction Issues:

- The Darien I-Net is in but there may be issues with picture quality. Darien needs help to set up a TV to monitor the I-Net. Although the drop is in, the playback equipment has not yet been installed. Once the equipment is in, they will need someone from CV to test the system and set levels. (Dominic will make arrangements.)
- NCC received a quote of \$5955 for the cost of moving its drop. SD provided Dominic with a PO to cover the cost.
- DA reported that S. Staples school (Easton) is in the process of receiving its I-Net drop. Until Chris' position is filled, please contact Dominic with construction issues.
(dantonac@cablevision.com)

5) I-Net Reports:

Reports are due by the end of January. Reports have not yet been received from: NC, Stamford, & Westport.

6) Copyright-free Music:

The group discussed the desirability of obtaining copyright cleared music for the ANCC's E&G access users. JR and A. Bess have used a product called SmartSound. CC has used the Kool Kat library. CC noted that students often don't take the time to search disks. He suggested trying to find a web-based library that could provide downloads.

The committee will consult with David Dreyfuss to gather his expertise.

- RW also suggested a product called "Garage Band" which allows you to create your own music.
- JR asked Dominic to forward the copyright notice that has been posted in the lobby of CV for access producers.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Next Meetings: Monday, March 27, 1:30 pm; Monday, April 24, 1:30 pm