

TWIN CITIES YOUTH MEDIA NETWORK



Minutes October 22nd 2008

Location:

PCTV 3901 Chicago Ave. S. Minneapolis, MN 55407

Present: John Gwinn, Dan Bergin, Deacon Warner, Rebecca Bullen, John Akre, Peter Kirschmann, Nancy Norwood, Joanna Kohler

10 am **Welcome : Review Agenda**
Coordinator Update

- Andy Driscoll with KFAI and Civic Media wants to join
- MNArtists.org and ThreeSixty wrote Showcase articles
- Tim was out of town, but still interested in phone conf.
- The Depot Coffee House wants to work with TCYMN
- Website is still in negotiation/development
- Evaluation Workshop rescheduled for Nov. 6th 10-12 IFP

ACTION: Joanna will set up a phone meeting with Tim and John G. and other interested members for Oct. 29th at 1pm.

10:10am **Witt was not in attendance for a Showcase Update**

10:10am **Budget Update & Funding Update – John G.**

John G. reported that \$31,000 remains from the Bush Grant. After the coordinator position extension through June 30th 2009 and (\$?) for website is subtracted, \$21,000 will remain for TCYMN to use. A detailed budget was not presented.

The idea of an Executive Committee was brought up as a way to insure TCYMN's finances are handled without the greatest burden being carried by one organization (Fiscal Sponsor).

John G. communicated that PCTV will not be able to facilitate future grants for TCYMN.

John was unable to connect with Tom from the Board of PCTV.

ACTION: Joanna will begin the work and communication with TCYMN members to bring a panel together that will include Robert Byrd, Tom Borrup and possible others. This panel will be designed to address members specific needs for a strategy to find funding for youth media in 2009.

ACTION: Dan will look into production funding opportunities for TCYMN.

10:30am Steering Committee met as a whole group to discuss Fundraising and Youth Conference.

Network Structure and Membership/ Fundraising:

ACTION: Joanna will research NEA, Kellogg, Surdna, Best Buy, Target, Annenberg foundations before next meeting. Specifically looking at deadlines, range of funding and areas of focus.

Screenings / Youth Conference:

ACTION: Steering Committee agreed to begin designing a Youth Media Conference to happen at the beginning of May, 2009. The conference will be one day specifically focused on youth and adults who are currently working with youth media. Participants will be from Minnesota. A meeting where all interested youth will be invited to brainstorm the content of this conference. A second meeting made up of one youth and one adult from TCYMN member organizations will meet to organize and further design the conference.

ACTION: Subcommittee to meet on Youth Conference at the next meeting.

Member Updates

PCTV is putting together a political video looking at the Obama and McCain campaigns.

MTN is gearing up for "Voices" and is looking for Documentary filmmakers to talk with students.

SPNN is beginning Media Mondays: Screening and workshops for youth.

PCAE is getting ready to accept applications this February.

Next Meeting Date: November 19th 10-12pm at MTN

11:45am Adjourn