

TWIN CITIES YOUTH MEDIA NETWORK



Minutes November 19th 2008

Location:

MTN 125 SE Main Street #244 Minneapolis, MN 55414

Present:

Sarah Morreim, Graham Hartley, Nicola Pine, Peter Kirschmann, Nancy Norwood, Mary Pumphrey, Jake Bell, John Akre, Witt Siasoco, Mike Hazard

10 am

Welcome : Review Agenda

Coordinator Updates

- John G., Rebecca and Nicola meet with Joanna to begin an executive committee they will meet every other month.
- The Conference call with Tim and Jeremy(NY), Deacon, Nicola, Deacon and Joanna took place.
- Locations are interested in screening the 2008 TCYMN Showcase. I am following up with them. I am also looking to get a copy of the showcase without the films that have copyrighted music to be broadcasted on SPNN.
- Would like to set our Dec., meeting for earlier in the month for greater attendance and invite two people to help discuss the TCYMN Web site. Where it is now and how we would like to finish the development.
- Attached is a budget for TCYMN provided by John G.
- Is January a good meeting to arrange for a panel to talk about funding in 2009?
- The Evaluation workshop had Joanna and Deacon in attendance with presenter Beki Saito. Beki has offered to come present for 40minutes before or after a Steering Committee Meeting to discuss evaluation.
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Discuss having Beki Saito join next meeting

Having 40 min. on front or back of next meeting to have Beki present on Program Evaluation at our January meeting.

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Update on TPT possibilities – Dan

Dan was not in attendance to give an update.

TCYMN Web Update and Proposal

Mary and Jake attended the meeting to discuss the needed updates for the TCYMN website and possible collaboration with the NYMAP site. Jake discussed developing a Drupal based video upload module for TCYMN to us that would house videos on the NYMAP site. It was touched on that a module like this one has not been developed in the Drupal Community and that it may help many other users once created. This plan would also mean that TCYMN videos would be accessible on the NYMAP site. Updates to the site, would still need to be made by Joanna.

ACTION: To use some of the unrestricted money in the Bush Grant to make these changes to the website.

ACTION: TCYMN would cover the upgrade to bandwidth for NYMAP to sustain this work.

10:25am

Discussion about YMLN

We discussed the three options (below) proposed by Tim in a conference call with TCYMN members. One concern was to not duplicate what PCAE is already doing for teaching trainings in the summer.

ACTION: to follow up with Tim and set up an Intensive training in February for practitioners from TCYMN organizations and Steering Committee Members.

ACTION: During the Intensive training, ask Tim to present about the work of YMLN in NY.

ACTION: Follow up after this training to decide if we will go forward with a nine month fellowship with YMLN.

10:40am

Subcommittees

ACTION: Tabled until December.

Screenings / Youth Conference:

Begin design strategy for One Day Early May Youth Media Conference.

- Pick date for Youth meeting. (preferably in January)
- Draft questions for general youth input.
- Pick a location & desired Number for attendance
- Discuss budget and whether or not to pay youth involved in design.

Network and Structure / Fundraising:

- Review grant requirements prepared by Joanna
- Identify Specific grant(s) to apply for
- Identify budget amounts to apply for
- Who will write the grant(s)
- Identify next steps

- 11:30am** **Update on the Showcase from Witt**
Witt reported on the success of the festival and the youth curator's experience. The idea was raised to have the showcase involve meeting at other organizations or possibly have more involvement from other TCYMN members.
- 12:00pm** **Select next date and location**
December 10th, 10-12pm at the Walker Art Center
Adjourn

Youth Conference Previous decisions made:

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.

GRANTS:

Surdna- \$25,000

Steps- letter of inquiry than application

Nonprofit Infrastructure Grants

I. Harness capital for social impact

II. Expand media and communication in the public interest

III. Improve nonprofit capacity to inform the public policy process at the local, state and national level.

In addition to the three major program themes above, the Surdna Foundation provides a limited amount of support for key nonprofit sector infrastructure groups that serve the broad field of nonprofit and philanthropic action by building a base of knowledge, best practices and core data. Up to 12 grants of roughly \$25,000 each are available annually.

Generally, Surdna does not support: Capacity-building activities of individual nonprofit organizations in support of the above-stated goals or academic research concerning the nonprofit sector.

Target Foundation

Overview

Target store grants support nonprofit programs that impact the arts, early childhood reading and family violence prevention in the areas where we do business.

Target funds arts programs that bring the arts to schools or make it affordable for youth and families to participate in cultural experiences, such as school touring programs, field trips to the theater or symphony, or artists residencies and workshops in schools. Programs that make the arts accessible to school children are of particular interest to us.

Guidelines

The 2008 grant application deadline has passed. Please visit again between March 1 and May 31, 2009 to apply for a grant. If you have applied for a grant, you will be notified of our decision by September 30, 2008. Most grants average between \$1,000 and \$3,000.

Best Buy – no deadline found or \$ amount

Best Buy Children's Foundation supports and strengthens communities by funding nonprofit organizations and programs that provide opportunities for youth. Our goal is to create positive experiences that will empower them to excel in school, engage in their communities, and develop leadership skills.

Annenberg Foundation-

The Annenberg Foundation provides support for projects within its grantmaking interest areas of: education and youth development; arts, culture and humanities; civic and community; health and human services; and animal services and the environment. The Foundation only considers organizations defined as a public charity and tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Please review this section for the procedure to apply for funding.

The Annenberg Foundation accepts letters of inquiry at all times during the year and there are no deadlines. After review of the inquiry by Foundation staff, the applicant will be contacted within 6 to 8 weeks as to the status of the request. At this point, a full proposal may be requested by a Foundation officer or other representative. We do not accept proposals unless requested by a Foundation representative.

Lots of Arts grants in the \$50,000 range. Some as high as \$400,000. At a quick glance, I saw none under \$50,000 in the arts.