

# A9CC - Educational Access Committee

Area 9 Cable Council, 17 Crawford Road, Westport, CT 06880 | <http://edaccess.a9cc.org/>

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To: A9CC Ed Access Committee Members      Date: June 1, 2015  
From: Jennifer Cirino, Acting Secretary  
Re: Minutes of Meeting (June 1, 2015)

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**ATTENDANCE:** (yellow highlight & asterisk(\*) = present)

| <b>TOWN</b>              | <b>Member(s)</b> |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Darien:                  | Ivan Crowther    |
| Easton/Redding:          | TBD              |
| Greenwich:               | Susan Morris*    |
| Greenwich /Sacred Heart: | Karl Haeseler    |
| NCC:                     | Stoney Duren     |
| New Canaan:              | Roman Cebulski*  |
| Weston:                  | Kosta Myzithras  |
| Westport:                | Jennifer Cirino* |
| Wilton:                  | Ken Boehm        |
| Cablevision:             | Jennifer Young   |

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Jennifer called the A9CC Ed Access Meeting to order at 2:03pm. 3 towns were represented (3 districts).

Minutes from 5/4/15 approved. Motion by Susan; Roman seconded.

## 1. Old Business

- a. New Canaan has still not been contacted about the installation of the new Head End unit from Cablevision.
  - i. Roman will reach out to Jennifer Young to get an update, as end of school year is quickly approaching.
- b. Jenn shared AAA videos with Hal for showing at the final A9CC overall meeting this Wednesday, June 3rd.

## 2. 2015 Spring Grants

- a. Greenwich grant - \$4,008.96
  - i. \$3,000 for technical operations - for a project that will allow Greenwich Public schools to fix their transmission issues, such as video and audio quality and intermittent signals;
  - ii. \$1,008.96 for cables, connectors and other various A/V components
  - iii. Jenn motion to approve; Roman seconded. Approved.

## 3. 2015 AAA Contest Debrief

- a. Thought that this year went exceptionally well; addition of those categories was

- great, didn't add much time, and it gave kids more expression; the stop motion ones were exciting
- b. Need to tweak the form, to make it easier to complete; need to look at credits – do we change the length of the videos to accommodate credits, specifically with the PSAs?
  - c. Ellyn had mentioned that the copyright scoring for the News Shows was an issue because they penalized the shows for content that they had a valid license for;
    - i. Next year make sure to share the copyright portion or the entire form entry for the News Shows with the Cablevision personalities;
  - d. It is nice to change the venue for voting every year.
  - e. We should allot more money for trophies next year, since the costs do go up.
    - i. Possibly explore other purchasing options for obtaining trophies in March of next year.

#### **4. Ed Access Committee Organization**

- a. Members:
  - i. Roman will contact Superintendents of non-participating towns about opportunities that their districts are missing out on;
  - ii. figure out their current status, and how we can assist them in getting up and running
- b. Ed Access Leadership Positions for 2015-2016:
  - i. President: Jenn and Roman will co-lead again (Jenn will be on maternity leave in the fall)
  - ii. Grant Coordinator: Susan has agreed to take over as Grant Coordinator
  - iii. Secretary: will contact Kosta to see if he is willing to take over this position
- c. By-laws:
  - i. Beginning in the fall – update the by-laws

#### **5. Meetings Schedule**

- a. Continue with meeting the first Monday of each month so that we meet before the Government meetings.
- b. Proposed meetings:
  - i. November 2, 2015
  - ii. December 7, 2015
  - iii. January 4, 2016
  - iv. February 1, 2016
  - v. March 7, 2016
  - vi. April 4, 2016
  - vii. May 2, 2016
  - viii. June 6, 2016

Motion to adjourn by Roman; Susan seconded.  
Meeting adjourned at 3:04 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Cirino  
Acting Secretary