

**MEETING MINUTES
DCAT GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
May 22, 2007**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Erika Mantz, Mark Morong, Carol Camp, Tom Merrick, Todd Ziemek, Paul Gasowski, George Kachadorian

EXCUSED: David Langley

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Tom Merrick called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.
- II. AGENDA APPROVAL:** Approved with removal of minutes approval
- III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Tom nominated Todd as chairperson, seconded by Mark. He was unanimously approved. Mark recommended delaying the election of a vice chair, Carol seconded. Unanimously approved. Tom nominated Erika as secretary, seconded by Mark. Erika was unanimously approved. **At the end of the meeting Tom nominated George as vice chair, seconded by Carol. George unanimously approved.
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** None
- V. DCAT SUPERVISOR REPORT:** Craig was unable to attend but submitted a written report as follows: ~New speakers installed in Council Chambers. One issue we didn't anticipate, the A/C being as loud as it is. It tends to drown out the speakers. Turning up the volume beyond what is recommended, creates feedback. We may try and move the speakers back further toward the back wall and mount them side by side, instead of front to back.

~I've contacted the "new" Comcast Representative, and have asked him to look into us adding an additional channel for ORCSD. This is going to take some time. I'll have more info as I follow up with him. I'll also get his name and number to all.

~We have been having some signal issues. It would seem, we have taken on the Paul's problem signal. I have been in touch with Comcast and they have been by a couple of times to review. They were going to try and watch (from the head end) while a meeting was live and get back to me. If I don't hear from them in the next few days, I'll contact them.

~I've contacted the "Active Retirement Assoc." about the possibility of a volunteer or two. They are going to bring it up at their next meeting.

~I've received a video from Kucinich for President campaign. Filmed at the Manchester Access Station. This video has not been sponsored by a Durham resident, so it will sit in the pile of non-sponsored videos.

~Luke and I are hammering out the details on website changes. We have figured out what works for him, to be sure he makes the changes weekly. So far so good. The only issue, he won't make changes to the website until Friday afternoon.

VI.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS OF MEMBERS: George: No April meeting due to lack of quorum. Paul: Todd is working part time with Paul; doing School Board meetings and other projects. Problem with adding an

additional channel is that the one available is 13 and it's already used in Lee and Newmarket. He is going to ask Comcast if it's possible to provide numbers of people watching Channel 22. We won't be streaming anything any time soon. Next year is Paul's last year with Oyster River Cooperative School District. Todd: May have a conflict with June meeting. Tom: Recognized the work of Paul in pulling interviews out of the archives for reairing and for the program on the Carbon Challenge. Tom raised the issue from a March e-mail about DTA, DNA and ORYA being featured on the DCAT Bulletin Board. Do we need a disclaimer on the bulletin board? Concord Community TV policies submitted by Henry. Mark: Encouraged Paul to send information on programming to the town for inclusion in the weekly e-mail.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

- A.** Weekly Schedule: bulletin board is cycling faster; schedule issues are done now that town election season is over.
- B.** Candidate forum(s): One next year paid by town. This will be an item on the agenda for the June meeting.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- A.** Budget: This will be on next month's agenda.
- B.** Openings on DCAT: Mark encouraged members to think about new members for next month.

X. NEXT MEETINGS: June 26, July 24

XI. ADJOURNMENT: 8:30 p.m.

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