## DCAT Governance Committee Minutes Wednesday, April 14, 2010, 7:00 PM Durham Police Department Meeting Room

- Members Present: Chip Neal, Craig Stevens, Dianne Thompson (chair), Ed Valena, Kathleen Young
- Members Absent: Council Representative, Erika Mantz, Todd Ziemek
  - I. Call to order at 7:00; agenda approved.
  - II. Approval of Minutes from meeting of March 10, 2010 minutes approved.
  - III. Public Concerns None
  - IV. DCAT Supervisor's Report Craig reported a relatively uneventful month with no extraordinary circumstances.
  - V. ORCSD Report Kathleen reported on a live program with an adult audience  $(90\pm$  in attendance) presented by the Durham Police Department and a UNH representative. The topic was marijuana and alcohol abuse in the public schools. Kathleen shot the program and it is being edited for broadcast.

Kathleen reported on her efforts to build a template with librarians and teachers in order to facilitate the creation of new programming.

Craig and Kathleen discussed the communication of timing school and town DCAT schedules.

Kathleen reported that a high school student is making an ad for the upcoming musical performance of <u>Bye Bye Birdie</u>. She hopes it will be finished soon so as to be played before broadcasts of upcoming public meetings.

VI. Old Business – Dianne led a discussion in the recent editing of DCAT policies; points covered included 1) the use of authorization forms, 2) the use of facilities (town and school) and training, and 3) other general policy considerations. References to certain language changes were also made. This is an ongoing process and will be continued at the next meeting.

There was a discussion of the possibility of two cable stations, one dedicated to the town and the other to the schools. There was talk about how the channel numbers will be allocated (#3, #13, and #22 are up for grabs). Craig stated that the town would likely wish to maintain #22 given the continuity, as well as that Newmarket and Lee utilize #13 and there could be overlap. Following this thinking, the school would utilize #3 (a channel number that might offer fantastic logo opportunities). Craig and Kathleen agreed to provide Dianne a copy of their weekly schedules as evidence for the need for the second channel. VII. New Business – Dianne noted that new officers for the committee would have to be selected at the next meeting.

There was general discussion about Portsmouth's new second channel and the benefits to DCAT that could result.

VIII. Next meeting date: May 12, 2010