

VANCOUVER COMMUNITY NETWORK
Minutes of VCN Board Meeting October 25, 2005, 6 pm.

Members present: Michael, Martin Scott, Craig, Chantal, Richard, Jim

Staff present: Peter Royce

Agenda approved – msc

Approval of the minutes from the last meeting -- msc

Remind Scott about his possible board member candidates. Craig to contact a colleague about possible board membership

Financial statements

First month of the fiscal year, not much to report. Tom to come to next meeting and explain process for bookkeeping. Chantal pointed out that we need to invest now to ensure future revenues. Peter will forward draft budget to board. Discussion about revenue sources for coming year

Technical report

VPL firewall continues to be a problem for our connectivity
R Smith moved that we ask the operations committee to investigate the possibility of moving our web servers for outside clients (e.g., World Peace Forum) as well as mailing lists to an alternative hosting (e.g., Peer1) service. -- msc

Staff report

Peter reported that the audit is underway and going smoothly and will be complete before the AGM.

World Peace Forum site is up and other than some small design glitches it is working fine.

CAP director is visiting VCN Thursday. CAP is going well, R. Gurstein is doing a great job, 25 CAP Youth hired already.

CRACIN continues, essays coming along

Peter was at a workshop for information and referral managers and teaching about content management systems; last week facilitated a face to face and virtual workshop for 80 volunteer sector leaders around the province.

AGM - Prospective new board members

Craig to contact someone. Scott to contact three people, three women. Martin contacted one person, they can't do it. Contact Madelaine, see if she wants to continue. Each one will try to meet up with one other board member, using board mailing list to arrange meetings.

AGM - Topic for main presentation

Wireless - what can we do in the current political climate?

Peter will ask Raymond Louie

Richard will ask Carolyn Lewko

Suggestion that we have a poll on the web page

phone line not occupied

possibly faster than dial-up

no time limits

mobility

AGM - Confirmation of bylaws regarding Board terms and limits.

Bring a motion forward for online voting, amending the existing section of the by-laws

Bring forward a motion to stagger board member terms, at two years