

VCN Board Meeting
Thursday, Apr. 22, 2010
411 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Directors in attendance: Jim Sayre, Craig McLachlan, Brendan Houle, Travis Keyworth, Anthony Swain, Chantal Iorio, Hamida Hajee, Michael Felczak.

Staff in attendance: Izabela Krekora, Chris Chanhsamone, Tom Hansen.

Meeting started at 6:20 PM.

MOTION to approve minutes from Mar. 11, 2010 board meeting – m/s/c.

Chris presented the technical report:

- Replacement server for our main server will be moved from CentOS to Ubuntu Server to compare Ubuntu to CentOS. Ubuntu Server looks to have more frequent software upgrades, but it'll be good to have some working and testing experience with it before we officially move to it on our servers.
- There were two hard drive failures on our main server. The server is setup to be able to handle such failures and continued to work. The hard drives will be upgraded and replaced.
- New server for the office is being setup. Several servers will be combined to reduce space and maintenance.
- Bell will be upgrading their T1 PRI hardware in 3-4 weeks. There will be some downtime for our dial-up users. More details from Bell to follow.

Tom presented the financial report:

- CAP for 2010 is officially completed as of March 31, 2010.
- Although CAP has been technically renewed for next year, unless funds come in before Aug. 31st, we will be running a deficit for the period of Apr. 1 to Aug. 31st based on our budget.

Izabela presented the staff report:

- CAPYI is officially finished for 2010. We are currently compiling all the youth and operator reports to submit to Industry Canada.
- CAP is also officially finished for 2010 and all reports have been submitted to Industry Canada.
- Izabela met with the DTES CAP network comprised of 11 CAP sites within the DTES. Plan to meet again in two weeks to discuss continuation and co-ordination of the network in the future and potential additional support via CAPYI technical interns.
- Web Team is finalizing the details on the “Spread the Web” campaign. Website is almost complete and agreement with BCIT will be signed.
- As of May 1st, the Program Coordinator position hours will be reduced to part-time.
- Izabela looked into potential funding options and government projects that VCN could potentially apply for. Potential areas include ICT youth-focused and skills-development programs.
- Izabela and Steven have been attending Woodward's meetings to discuss the upcoming move-in. No firm move-in date, but the City is aiming for July 15, 2010.

Hamida discussed her recent review of existing VPL and VCN computer and Internet services:

- VPL includes public terminals for word processing, email, Internet, etc. but there is a time limit for

use (1 hour).

- Library software is commonly used software and most terminals includes a limited subset: OpenOffice, Firefox, Internet Explorer, etc.
- We can do a better job informing library users about additional Internet services in the community: promoting both the CAP network as well as our Internet services for both individuals and community groups.

Hamida discussed reviewing and refreshing our public profile and communication:

- Both our website and pamphlet should be reviewed. The board decided to meet to discuss and review the content for both of these.

Next meeting:

- Thursday, May 20th, 2010 @ 6:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.