CCTV Center for Media & Democracy

The mission of CCTV Center for Media & Democracy is to open the door for democratic social change to happen. We aim to be a trusted provider of free speech training, tools and channels. We serve activists, civic leaders, nonprofits and community members who want to increase their reach and impact.

MINUTES

Thursday 17 March 2016 Time: 8 AM - 9:10 A.M. | Location: Feldman's Bagels

Present: Mike M, Jason P, Erin M, Jane K, Tess G Staff: Jackie M, LG Davitian

Approval of Minutes – February 2016 - Approved

Financial Statements 2/29/16 - Approved

UPDATES

ED Report - March 2016 - Accepted

Burlington Telecom Update - The Burlington City Council will review BTAB's report proposed criteria to inform the sale of Burlington Telecom at its next meeting on Monday March 21st. It is likely that this will take place in Executive Session, but it is important for the public to weigh in. It is expected that they will vote on these criteria at the April 11th meeting. Opportunities for the public to weigh in are available at the City Council Public Forum on Monday March 21st and Monday April 11th.

VCF Investment Resolution - Resolution: To invest \$100,000 into Vermont Community Foundation Reserve fund, either in Socially Resposible or Moderate Pool. LGD will share that equity distribution with the Board for final confirmation.

The Fund yields 5% a year at a cost of 1%.

Civic Cloud - The Civic Cloud fits in with our strategic direction and political goals of assuring public access to new communications resources. We are at a key developmental point that requires us to decide if we maintain the infrastructure as a shared network resource with Big Heavy World (the most active user of the Collaborative) and to remove the Open Stack features or to build it out so that others can utilize the Open Stack features, requiring a significant investment and future operating costs that will need to be borne by the tenants (i.e. full time staff, high standard of technical support). We discussed our committment to this project, but awareness of constrained resources and capacity to develop business plan in support of start up developers or, alternatively educational tenants. The Civic Cloud is appealing because of its mission + low latency, made possible by BT's Gig network capacity. Jason will work with CCTV staff to continue conversations with BT Ignite partners, including Champlain College and will report back at the next meeting.

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2016: 4/15?, 5/19, 6/10