Cable Advisory Council of South Central CT, Inc. P.O. Box 248 Northford, CT 06472-0248

MINUTES-February 28, 2019

Attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Weinberg (Guilford), Steve Fuest (Madison), Mary Bigelow (North Branford), Thomas Dacey (Wallingford-Via Skype), Elise Low (Guilford), Michael Parisi (North Haven), Rob Becker (East Haven)

GUESTS:

Walter Mann (North Haven), Janet Betta (North Haven)

<u>Call To Order:</u> David Weinberg(Chairman) called the meeting to order at 7:10pm. Walter Mann welcomed everyone to the NHTV Studios.

Public Comment: None.

Comcast Report: None. Matt Skane (Comcast) not present.

Guest Speaker: None.

Approval of Minutes of December, 2018 CACSCC Meeting:

Chairman Weinberg asked if there were any comments or corrections to Minutes. There were none. Mary Bigelow made a motion to approve. Mike Parisi seconded. Tom Dacey, Rob Becker and Steve Fuest abstained. Chairman Weinberg said motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence:

-Miscellaneous mail (advertisements).

-Chairman's Report: Chairman Weinberg gave a brief update.

Treasurer's Report:

-Report distributed. Total Expenses: \$263.98. Checking Balance: \$6,820.41. Deposits: \$2,840.00. Total Cash Reserves: \$17,950.16.

-Treasurer (Dacey) reported all bills have been paid to date.

EXPENSE:DETAILS: See Treasurer's Report.

Frontier/Statewide Council Report:

Steve Fuest said last week's Statewide Video Advisory Council (SVAC) meeting was canceled due to snow. Fuests stated Steve Mindera gave an update at the last SCAV meeting about legislation in Hartford regarding regional government access TV channels..

Other Business:

-Reminder for the seven town PEG groups to submit PURA Reports to the CACSCC. -Insurance payment still due to CACSCC from GCTV, BCTV and NHTV for the Media Liability Umbrella Policy.

-PEGPETIA Grant Program: Walter Mann provided an update on the program (no funds currently available) and stated a Bill has been submitted by State Representative David Yaccarino (R-87-North Haven) to restore funds. Mann also reviewed other proposed bills, as well as the latest on the FCC NPRM.

- -Elise Lowe gave an update on Net Neutraility.
- -Tom Dacey gave an update on Comcast subscriber issues.
- -David Weinberg spoke about SD/HD issues.

New Business:

-Chairman Weinberg discussed the latest on the issue of Net Neutrality. In effect, while it is now law, there is still a chance it could be reversed.

-Laura Parisi mentioned the Ethnic Heritage Center at SCSU is having a puppet show on March 24, 2018 and they are looking for someone to tape it.

Town Reports:

-BCTV/Branford: Walter Mann mentioned that they currently have two interns. He said they are in planning stages for BCTV's 5th Annual Tour de Branford 15 and 40 mile Bike Tour Fundraiser. BCTV has two new Board Members coming on this spring, one of which is Lonnie Reed. BCTV now has 14 Board Members.

-Totoket TV/North Branford: Walter Mann said they opened their new, 3,500 square foot facility at 1675 Foxon Road with a ribbon cutting ceremony on 1-25-19. Totoket TV invested over \$32,000.00 in interior renovations. The Town of North Branford spent \$17,000.00 in exterior work. Totoket TV now tapes Inland Wetland meetings in addition to Town Council, Planning & Zoning, and Board of Education. All meetings from Town Hall are also broadcast live on Facebook.

-NHTV/North Haven: Mike Parisi (North Haven) stated that NHTV has two new interns from SCSU. He said NHTV continues to get great response from the community for the Town meetings we televise that now stream live on Facebook. Parisi also stated NHTV is in the early planning stages to again possibly do the North Haven Fair "NHTV Chowder Building" (fundraiser for NHTV).

-MCAG/Madison: No report.

-ETV/East Haven: Rob Becker said streaming process is in the works. He stated 18 & 19 did re-do racks in Master Control.

-GCTV/Guilford: David Weinberg stated GCTV is holding their 4th annual student video contest. They have seen growth in program submissions. GCTV is looking at their aging equipment and trying to decide what to do for new technology. Studio use has been down at GCTV.

-WPAA/Wallingford: No report.

Public Comment: None. Reminder: Next CACSCC Meeting is April 25, 2018 at MCTV/Madison.

Adjournment:

Tom Dacey made a motion to adjourn. Rob Becker seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm. Chairman Weinberg said motion passed unanimously (including vote via telephone from CACSCC member Tom Dacey).

Respectfully submitted,

Walter L. Mann