

A9CC - Educational Access Committee

Area 9 Cable Council, 17 Crawford Road, Westport, CT 06880 | <http://edaccess.a9cc.org/>

To: A9CC Ed Access Committee Members **Date:** March 2, 2020
From: Fran Kompar, Secretary
Re: Minutes of Meeting (March 2, 2020) **Location:** Norwalk Community College

ATTENDANCE: (yellow highlight & asterisk(*) = present)

TOWN	Member(s)
Darien:	
Easton/Redding:	Mike D'Agostino*
Greenwich:	Sean Mayo*
Greenwich /Sacred Heart:	David Pisan* ⁱ
NCC:	Peter Gould*
New Canaan:	Roman Cebulski*
Norwalk:	Kyle Seaburg
Stamford:	Paula Ward*
Weston:	Gabe Tully*
Westport:	Natalie Carrignan*
Wilton:	Fran Kompar*
Altice:	Not Present

(Roman Cebulski) called the A9CC Ed Access Meeting to order at 2:05 pm. X towns were represented (8 districts).

Minutes from 02/03/2020 approved. Minutes from Mike D'Agostino approved. Motion by Peter Gould to approve the minutes; Roman Cebulski seconded. All in favor

1. Old Business

- a. Looked over Old Minutes to make sure items made sense
- b. Grant Update: Letter was sent to Weston, Stamford, and Norwalk
- c. Grant Report: Check-in: Sending a email back to Hal about eligibility: Roman went through each school and asked.
- d. INET Channels
- e. Area 9 Awards

2. Area 9 Access Awards

- a. **School News Story (SNS)**-Council is keeping that as a category in the awards with the following change: "traditional news story that involves current students in a school event, activity or issue (3 minutes or less).
- b. Compilation Meeting - Decisions about categories should be made at that time rather than on the Judging Day.
- c. Documentary (Doc) - a traditional documentary that focuses on a person, organization, or event; it is an in-depth, informational film that is timeless and includes A and B roll (4 minutes or less).

- d. Roman will create a poster based on the finalized Access Awards rules. Members are invited to use the poster and rules to communicate with their schools.
- e. Repicky Award & Funds for Trophies - Request that Altice provide the funds for these two items which total \$3,000 to cover the costs of the awards. Roman presented a letter to be sent to Altice regarding restoring the past practice of providing funds for the awards cost.

3. 2020 Grants

- a. Altice has sent a check for \$120,000 for the 2020 grant broken down by \$62,500 for Education and Government Committees. Funds for ten (10) districts would be about \$6,250 per district. Our grant would need to be finalized and sent to the full council prior to April 1 for their 4/1/2020 meeting.
- b. Grants will be presented at our 5/11 meeting to be presented at the Full Council for A9CC on 5/27/2020. Members will also be able to present a first round grant for 2020 in September.

4. A/V Comparative Analysis

- a. Roman will create a Google Doc with headings for # of courses, # of teachers, budget for video production to crowd-source.

5. Next Meeting

- a. May 11, 2020, Professional Learning Library, Wilton Public Schools

Motion to adjourn by Michael D'Agostino; Peter Gould seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Fran Kompar
Secretary