

# A9CC - Educational Access Committee

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To: A9CC Ed Access Committee Members  
From: [redacted], Acting Secretary  
Re: Minutes of Meeting for November 17, 2025

Date: November 17, 2025  
Location: Virtual ([Zoom Link](#))

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**Attendance:** (yellow highlight = present)

TOWN	Member(s)
Darien:	Tim McGuire
Easton/Redding:	Mike D'Agostino
Greenwich:	Sean Mayo >> Laura Jean Waters
Greenwich /Sacred Heart:	David Pisani
CSCC- Norwalk:	Julie Casper Roth
New Canaan:	Roman Cebulski
Norwalk:	Trevor Kline
Stamford:	Alec logman
Weston:	Vacant
Westport:	Natalie Carrignan
Wilton:	Maria Breece
Altice:	

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Roman called the A9CC Ed Access Meeting to order at x pm. X towns were represented; x districts/locations.

## 1. Old Business/Approval of Minutes

Approval of [October 6th meeting](#) with edits. x motioned to approve. x seconded. Approved unanimously.

## 2. Grants

- Update current status of [Grant Spreadsheet](#)
- Round 2 grants
  - \$5,084 given to E side of council for Round 2 - deadline Dec. 5
  - \$19,096.23 left for 4 districts for roughly \$4,750 for November.
  - Wilton grant
  - Westport will not have a round 2 grant
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- Round 1 Wrap Up - \$8100 per eligible district for Round 1
  - New Cannan did partial in Round 1 grant in April - **\$4,187.88**
  - New Cannan did second partial to finish round 1 in Oct - **\$4,181.17**
  - Region 9 did partial grant in Round 1 in May - **\$6,430**
  - Region 9 did partial grant to finish round 1 in Oct. - **\$6,340.20**
  - Wilton has received full funding in April - **\$8,100**

- CSH received full funding in Sept. - **\$8,365.89**
- Greenwich received full funding in Oct. - **\$8,113.00**
- Darien did not have a grant for round 1c
- CSCC did not have a grant for round 1
- Westport did not have a grant for round 1

### 3. Set Meeting Schedule

- Set meetings for the year - Oct 6, **Nov 17**, Dec. 8, Jan 12, Feb 9 (Feb break- , March 9 (March break- CSH) , April 6, May TBD (maybe 11th), June 8 (CSH is out)
- Usually the second Monday of the month
- May TBD for judging
- We need to all check out Feb., March, April schedules

## Meeting Notes

### Transcript

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The meeting on November 17, 2023, focused on grant allocations and equipment updates for various schools. Timothy McGuire introduced a transcription tool for capturing meeting details. Roman Cebulski welcomed attendees and introduced Laura Jean from Greenwich High School, who discussed their video production program and equipment needs. David presented grant requests: Greenwich received \$5,797.56 for video podcasting studio upgrades, Sacred Heart requested \$5,756 for new cameras, and Roman requested additional Mackey cameras. The total remaining grant funds were \$24,003.65. The group approved the grants and discussed the importance of updating the grant spreadsheet for tracking purposes.

### Action Items

- [ ] Submit Greenwich's grant request with the revised wording.
- [ ] Update the grant spreadsheet with the status of each school's grant request.
- [ ] Revise the wording in Greenwich's grant request to be more general about the use of the GoPro camera.

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- Roman welcomes everyone to the meeting, introduces Laura Jean from Greenwich, who is filling in for Sean, and outlines the meeting agenda.

### Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Roman asks if the minutes from the October 6 meeting have been loaded and if there are any

updates.

- Maria motions to approve the minutes, and everyone agrees.
- Roman explains the purpose of the meeting: to discuss remaining grant money and new grant requests.
- Roman shares a link to the grant spreadsheet and asks David to walk through it.

## **Review of Grant Spreadsheet**

- David shares his screen to review the grant spreadsheet, explaining the remaining grant money and how it was calculated.
- Roman explains the delay in receiving funds from Altice due to payments from Frontier.
- Roman confirms that Natalie from Westport and Tim from Norwalk will not be seeking grants today.
- Roman emphasizes the goal of not returning any grant money to the full council and encourages flexibility in grant requests.

## **Greenwich High School's Grant Request**

- Laura Jean explains Greenwich High School's grant request, detailing the modernization of video podcasting studios and the addition of new equipment.
- Laura Jean mentions the inclusion of a GoPro for a ride-along segment with SROs and a new microphone for better audio quality.
- Roman asks for the grant form, and Laura Jean confirms it is included in the documents Sean sent.
- Roman suggests making the grant request more general to avoid specific complaints from other districts.

## **Approval of Greenwich High School's Grant**

- Roman confirms the grant request and asks for a motion to approve.
- Tim seconds the motion, and everyone agrees.
- Roman and David update the grant spreadsheet with the approved amount.
- Roman mentions his own grant request for additional Mackey live bundles.

## **Sacred Heart's Grant Request**

- David presents Sacred Heart's grant request for two new cameras and batteries to replace outdated equipment.
- David explains the benefits of the new cameras, including their cinematic quality and variable viewfinder.
- Roman asks for a motion to approve, and everyone agrees.
- Roman and David update the grant spreadsheet with the approved amount.

## **New Canaan's Grant Request**

- Roman shares his own grant request for additional Mackey live bundles.
- Roman explains the benefits of the Mackey cameras, which are currently being used in their studios.

- Roman asks for a motion to approve, and everyone agrees.
- Roman and David update the grant spreadsheet with the approved amount.

## **Finalizing Grant Requests and Meeting Conclusion**

- Roman asks David to update the status of existing grants on the grant spreadsheet.
- David confirms he will update the spreadsheet with the status of his existing grants.
- Roman and David discuss the need to restart the meeting due to system settings.
- Roman thanks everyone and concludes the meeting, instructing everyone to log back in.

## **Part 2**

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## **Outline**

### **Using a new announcement system for schools.**

- Roman Cebulski wants to branch out into lower levels with minimal effort, considering the Mackey studio by Bird Dog.
- Laura Jean and Roman Cebulski discuss the possibility of implementing the Mackey studio at the Middle School and potentially rolling it out to elementary schools.

### **Equipment costs for a project, including camera and technical operations.**

- Roman Cebulski seeks approval for equipment purchase.

### **Cameras for live streaming and recording, with a focus on ease of use and affordability.**

- Maria and Roman discuss cameras for live streaming and news coverage, with Maria preferring simple and easy-to-use cameras.
- Roman suggests the Blackmagic Pocket Cinema Camera 4K as a recommendation from a parent, with Maria expressing interest in trying it out.

### **Video production equipment needs for schools.**

- Maria discusses audio equipment needs for schools, including wireless mics, camera kits, and perspective lenses.
- Maria highlights the importance of batteries for mics used in town talks and clubs.

### **Budget and equipment for a project.**

- David provides the total remaining amount of \$1,020.17 for the equipment purchase.
- Roman Cebulski and Mike D'Agostino discuss grant requests and budget adjustments.

### **Budget and expenses for a project.**

- David confirms the new total amount is \$5,729.99, with Mike D'Agostino confirming the cost of the digital receiver.

### **Grants, grant reports, and meeting schedules.**

- Roman Cebulski and others discuss grants and grant reports at a meeting.
- Maria and David provide updates on their respective grants, while Leah and Westport Wilton mention their lack of progress on their grant reports.

### **Tech showcase and funding for school program.**

- Mike D'Agostino and Roman Cebulski discuss the possibility of reducing the number of meetings in the program, which could impact attendance and funding.
- Roman Cebulski emphasizes the importance of the Turkey Bowl event in New Canaan and Darien, and encourages others to watch and support the broadcast.

Meeting adjourned at 5:03 pm.