

CTTAB

May 13, 2008 Minutes

City of Seattle, Seattle Municipal Tower
27th Floor, 700 – Fifth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98124

<p>Present</p> <p>Leah Altaras Jennifer Bukowski Fran Clifton Michael Davidson Nancy Gohring Jac de Haan Richard Huff Tom Kee Jerry Lin John Neuharth Will Pugh Ann Suter</p> <p>Excused Oren Sreenby</p>	<p>Appointees Robert Holland Marcos Martinez</p> <p>Staff David Keyes Jill Novik Tony Perez</p>
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1. Meeting Called to Order – The agenda and March minutes were approved as written.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment..

3. Technology Matching Fund Recommendations (TMF): The CTTAB Matching Fund Review Committee presented its slate of recommendations for a vote by the Board. Committee chair Michael Davidson noted that 40 organizations applied, requesting a total of \$566,000 and that it was a challenging process with more good projects than funds to go around. This year, there is \$175,000 in available funds and the committee recommended 15 projects for funding (see attachment). This is a substantial increase from last year, when 28 organizations vied for \$150,000. There was a discussion of the guidelines, process, and committee time involved as well as highlights of the projects, technologies to be used and diversity of those to be served by the projects. Committee members commented on what a rewarding experience it was and encouraged all CTTAB members to get involved.

David Keyes explained that the Board’s recommendations are forwarded to the Chief Technology Officer and then to the Mayor and City Council for approval. The projects are expected to come before the Council Energy and Technology on July 16th and traditionally CTTAB participates at Council along with representatives from the projects. David also explained that those projects not funded will receive a letter of explanation; that those who need it could still benefit from the City’s free cable broadband program; and that Delia Burke and David will be meeting with the Department of Neighborhoods to help facilitate these projects applying for Neighborhood Matching Funds.

Action: Unanimously approve the recommendations of the TMF Committee for the 2008 Bill Wright TMF.

4. Board Business:

Huff reported on the meeting with Council member Harrell, who presented his priorities for CTTAB. These include: broadband; getting citizens in technology (how to hear from more people); global technology (evaluating other cities and ensuring that Seattle is a technology leader); Internet safety, particularly as regards children; Seattle Channel (how to make it more compelling); and the 311 system. CM Harrell is also scheduled to attend the June CTTAB meeting.

5. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

2008 Bill Wright Technology Matching Fund Recommendations for Funding

Overview

The Citizens Telecommunications and Technology Advisory Board (CTTAB) Technology Matching Fund Committee, which includes Leah Alteras, Michael Davidson, Jac De Haan, Fran Clifton, and Jessica Bukowski, completed its review of applications and is presenting for CTTAB's recommendation fifteen community projects that promote technology literacy and access and the use of technology for community problem solving, civic engagement and community building. These projects total \$175,000 and will be leveraged with over \$287,000 in community matching resources. They were selected from among forty applicants requesting a total of \$566,328 in funds.

Full details on all of the applications are available at http://www.seattle.gov/tech/tmf/2008_tmfapps.htm

Projects recommended for funding:

Center Park Resident Council

Bridging the gap

Increase computer access for disabled individuals by delivering basic Assistive Technology (AT) training and consulting to seven CTC's in Seattle.

Request: \$19,750

Award: \$12,750

Match: \$25,075

East African Art and Culture Association

Multimedia Resources & Training Institute

A pilot project to educate "high risk" youth from ages 13-22 to achieve their full potential using the tools of multimedia, video production, and computer technology to intertwine graphics arts, culture, entrepreneurship and personal development.

Request: \$20,000

Award: \$15,000

Match: \$25,000

East African Community Services

Moving Beyond the Basics

To continue and expand their ability to serve the job seeking refugee community through a community specific, computer-based Employment Access Program, development of Employment Access curriculum and appropriate staffing for the program.

Request: \$10,140

Award: \$10,140

Match: \$10,150

Eritrean Community

Eritrean Community Technology Learning Ctr

Upgrade the Technology Learning Center to provide various educational computer programs and web based learning and communication activities using Internet access. Extend it to serve kids, teenagers, adults, elders, women and youth without constraints.

Request: \$20,000

Award: \$15,000

Match: \$27,125