

ConneCT Kid's Committee

Meeting Minutes

September 28, 2000
1:30 PM

Commission on Children, Hartford

Attendees: Peter Bartucca, Todd Bentsen, Sean Condon, All Duran, Pat Estill, Dick Hemenway

1. ConneCT Kids Promotion.

Greg Futoma of the PR sub-committee has given the ok to print and distribute the final design. The committee approved the last draft of the letter to the schools. Dick Hemenway sent the draft of the DOIT funding proposal to John Forbes who should review it before sending to DOIT. Dick will follow up with John.

The committee adopted a target date of November 10, 2000 for mailing of the letters and sample bookmarks to the schools. The Commission on Official Legal Publications will do the printing and mailing. The actual mailing date will depend on the Commission's work schedule.

John Forbes asked Dick Hemenway to meet with Karen Kaplan from DOIT to discuss this project. Will arrange a meeting in the near future.

2. Maintenance/ improvement of existing features.

The committee adopted a do-by date of October 20, 2000 for the posting of new material. This includes new Spotlight pages (Bev Brown), new Puzzles and Games (Todd Bentsen), a new Visiting Artist (Dick Hemenway), a new Guest Kid (Pat Estill) and possible new History and Government material (Peter Bartucca). You should have your material ready early enough to give one of the Technical Group time to post it before the deadline date.

3. Sean Condon reported on the YouBelongInCT website for the group, and recommended that we not link to the site though we might consider including some of the links they use on our site.

4. Proposed new features – There was general agreement that we should continue developing the proposed Visiting Teacher's Page. Pat Estill will check with a contact in the teaching community to get feedback from the professionals.

5. The committee would like the Connecticut Youth Forum to suggest some lessons that they would like to see on the Visiting Teacher Page. Also, we would be interested in knowing what different games they would find interesting. If they have some discussion topics, we would like to receive them.
6. Pat Estill reported that attempts are still being made to secure a source of funding, but the organizations approached so far wanted site changes that were not acceptable. She will continue her efforts.
7. Next meeting date and time – The next meeting was originally set for October 19, 2000 at the Commission on Children conference room, 18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford. After the meeting I was informed that I have an unavoidable conflict with that date and need to reschedule. I have emailed the committee suggesting alternate dates.

Dick Hemenway

ConneCT Kids Committee Chair

October 2, 2000