

Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council
12 April 2012, 7:30pm
Lyme Town Hall, Lyme
Minutes

Attending: Peter Sielman, Pam Munro, Russ Gomes, Cathy Frank.
Robin Purcell out of town. Sue McKinlay's last meeting as a member was in January 2012. Tim Devlin did not respond to e-mails.

Chair Peter Sielman called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Pam Munro, seconded by Russ Gomes, to approve the minutes of 12 January 2012. Cathy stated that she will change location of October meeting from OL Town Hall to LOL High School on future agendas, and will notify all Town Clerks. Motion passed.

Comcast Report

Submitted via e-mail by John Bairos and attached.

Treasurer's Report

Robin Purcell provided copies of the current Treasurer's Report for the meeting (attached). A motion was made by Russ, seconded by Pam, to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion passed.

Statewide Video Council

Peter reported that PURA - Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (formerly DPUC) intends to look into community access programming and operations compliance from all providers on a regular basis.

Old Business

- **Public Access Promotion**

Pam has drafted a bookmark that Cathy/Pam will e-mail to all members for feedback.

- **Update on program access at Hale-Ray High School, East Haddam**

Peter will contact the Hale-Ray principal for confirmation that the issue has been resolved.

New Business

- **2012 Scholarship applications**

All members were e-mailed the applications submitted by 2 applicants, Daniel Koenigs and Carli Smith from L-OL High School. Council members agreed that both applicants were qualified and deserving of scholarship assistance. After reviewing Council finances, members also agreed that the Council is able to award more than the previously agreed amount of \$2,000. A motion was made by Peter, seconded by Russ, to award \$2,000 to each of the two applicants. Cathy will communicate with the High School. The applicants will be presented with award letters in early June at Senior Night.

Members agreed that letters will be sent from the Council to Guidance departments, technology education departments, and others at the local high schools to remind them of scholarship availability. In addition to press releases sent in June about the scholarships, Cathy will send releases again in February to remind students & parents of the scholarship opportunity.

A motion was made by Russ to adjourn at 8:04pm.

2012 Meeting Schedule

Thursday, January 12- Nathan Hale-Ray High School Library, East Haddam

Thursday, April 12- Lyme Town Hall

Thursday, July 12- Salem Public Library

Thursday, October 11 - Lyme-Old Lyme High School

All meetings begin at 7:30pm unless otherwise indicated.

Cathie Frank
4/9/12

Peter,

As a follow-up to our previous emails, I will not be able to attend the meeting on April 12th as I am travelling out of state. However, I would like to provide you with an update. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Channel Line-up/Prices/Care:

- Effective January 2, 2012 – “Versus” renamed “NBC Sports Network”;
- Effective April 18, 2012 – “Soapnet” located on Digital Preferred level will be replaced with “Disney, Jr.”. This is a programmer decision.
- Effective May 1, 2012 – prices will be adjusted for International Selections and Installation Fees.
- On March 21st, Comcast began offering “Triple Play Protection”, which provides protection for computers, flat-panel televisions and home phones under one warranty for just \$19.95 a month. Customers may also choose “Computer Protection Plus”, which provides protection for computers, laptops and tablets for \$9.95 a month.

Comcast Leaders & Achievers Scholarship

The Comcast Foundation annually awards a \$1,000 Scholarship to one student per high school in the Comcast market. Students must be nominated by their Guidance Department and meet this criteria: academic achievement, community involvement and leadership potential. I am pleased to announce that Catherine Oidtman of Old Lyme (student at Mercy High School) has been awarded a scholarship.

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OLD LYME AREA CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY BOARD					4/12/2012
TREASURERS REPORT					
1/1/2012 TO 3/30/2012					
MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT # 1113724769					
BALANCE	1/1/2012				\$15,559.90
DEPOSITS					
	INTEREST	1/31		\$0.66	
	INTEREST	2/29		\$0.62	
	INTEREST	3/30		\$0.64	
					\$1.92
WITHDRAWALS					
	RETURNED MAIL	1/11		\$2.00	
					-\$2.00
NET CHANGE					
					-\$0.08
TOTAL					
BALANCE 3/30/2012					\$15,559.82
CHECKING ACCOUNT #1113205727					
BALANCE 1/10/2012					
					\$4,025.79
DEPOSITS	COMCAST	2/3		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
WITHDRAWALS					
	DEBRUYN	1/12	CK#121	\$500.00	
	OLD LYME SCHOOL	1/30	CK#122	\$1,000.00	
					\$1,500.00
NET CHANGE					
					\$500.00
CHECKING ACCT BALANCE 3/9/2012					
					\$4,525.79
TOTAL OF TWO ACCOUNTS	4/12/2012				\$20,085.61