

ORNCC Meeting Minutes

Saturday, July 26, 2008

Bob Hall's in Portland

Present:

Board: Bob, Megan, Gary, Michael, Selene, Carol P., Jim, Sparrow, Lisa Marie, Susan, Stuart

Guests: Fred Sly

Absent:

Board: Evelyn, Carol D., Amber, Chrysani
G.C. : Holley, Tom, Sophia, Teresa

Part One – Conference

We opened by referring to the mission of ORNCC.

To provide....

Minutes from last meeting approved.

Check in's

Carol P. – went to Ireland in early May, an international peace building conference. Impressed by the variety of peace building efforts around the world. A good resource for the conference (contacts). Provided list of participants...there is a way to post information on their website. 13 mile long 80 foot "Peace Wall" dividing neighborhoods.

Taught class on compassionate communication at Louis and Clark college, got good reviews, so was asked to make it a permanent class. 1 credit in graduate school, counseling and school administrators .

Gary – feels relaxed, and a little tired. Was happy to work on Sudoku while Michael drove. Yesterday, did co-training with Holley for social activists in Eugene working with Latino population. About a dozen present, and group was receptive to NVC. Was fun to co-present with Holley. Went to Em's game (first minor league game), much to the amusement of his wife Lynne. Spent game in a state of constant vigilance to avoid getting beamed in the head with a baseball. Reminiscent of his baseball playing days.

Jim – Doing well. Working at Kaiser at mental health residential program. Hourly NVC thing on Thursday. People are interested, 15-20 people each week.

Bob – Glad to be back home. Loved traveling, but is glad to be back. Enjoys having ORNCC energy in his home.

LM – Bringing nonviolent order into personnel dispute into 'non-hierarchical' local organization. Fill in the missing pieces of their communication. Requests are important. Subtle interventions and facilitations. Is mentoring an NVC enthusiast. One of her counseling clients showed her Marshall's

book “have you seen this” amusing and sweet. Excited about building ORNCC community with newer people, Portland and conference.

Megan – tired.

Selene – Loves summer! Involved in ‘hairy’ ‘mediation’. Some pause between phases of this process. Enjoys watching NVC work, sets it in motion and it works on it’s own. Planning training for a group of doctors with a friend. Jim and Jori’s 4 ___ of submission. Is glad to be back at Bob’s, last time it was rainy and watched rain dripping off foliage, was eager to see it in the summer. Does not resemble Ashland. (Gary, Megan and Michael also shared a moment of remembering the rain at the January meeting)

Michael – Marvelling, awe, balance, needs – trust, faith. Baby on the way, delighted about. Due date is last day of the conference (Sept 14. Keen timing, eh?). Amount of work put into the conference, over the last, raised \$13,000 within the UO and some more to come. Seeing potential pay off and manifestation of our vision, watching it come to life and become real. Parallel’s his wife’s pregnancy. Has no clue how he is balancing everything, hence the marveling. And with inner peace to boot. Took years of grief work – celebrating the pay off. Parallels in inner world and outer world.

Sparrow – has been traveling much in the last month, is glad to be back and focus on the conference, and Megan is glad too. Forrest Service official at Rainbow Gathering, a little scary at first. Sparrow asked her to take off her sunglasses, and did not respond well “do we have a problem here?” Sparrow replied “No, I just have a need for connection”. Emphasizes the importance of expressing needs with requests. Especially with people carrying side arms.

Guests:

Fred – Mixed. Rightness and closure. Last time he was here was 2005 Restorative Justice conference, reconnecting with old memories. 3 year digression since then, but is back now, working on dissertation, and is glad he carved out the time to be here today. Feeling shy too, without having a well-defined role for his presence here today :) Is glad to be with like-minded folk.

Ginny – Got ORNCC postcard in the mail, friend of Carols. Time for an NVC refresher.

Judy – Also friend of Carols, interested in learning about NVC. Attended evening thing with Marshall, so has a small intro to NVC. Here in the question.

Cindy – Vancouver WA, has worked with Jim.

11am-12:30pm – Conference for community members

Conference Overview – incl. keynotes, Marshall, schedule, meals, lodging, etc, etc, etc.

Distribute fliers, brochures, etc for those who wish to help with publicity

Distribute registration forms and walk-through for those interested in the conference

12:30pm -1:30pm – lunch (Portland community folks welcome to stay for lunch)

Part Two – ORNCC

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- Conference Follow up (trainings, things to put in follow up guide).

Include follow up questions in the conference evaluation

Asked board to, if they wish, plan special NVC trainings for the sake of planning follow up trainings, or let Megan know of existing follow up events for a special follow-up guide.

Publicize follow-up things during plenary sessions (especially for certain tracks)

*Ask presenters for follow-up activities

Practice groups (ask Bev and Suz to see if they might like to collect list of regional practice groups)

Book orders

We will ask Steve Allen Smith today to take stock of his inventory (13 boxes). We will ask Steve to get a hold of Karen to figure out how to get the books down to Eugene. Carol P. suggests Puddle Dancer rather than CNVC, might be willing to take money later, quicker delivery and lower pricing packages.

Stuart will look at Karen's list and Steve's inventory and place an order, focusing more on getting rid of the old stuff. Michael will ask a few local bookstores to see if they can absorb excess books.

Bob, Sparrow and Megan will talk by Friday, August 1 to come up with a number for Stuart to work with. Stuart will inquire about delivery date, etc.

Budget

Thank you Sparrow, for keeping track of every cent!!

Projected income – conservative at this point, and getting more realistic each week

Projected expenses – averaged higher than expected

ORNCC – CNL \$ Agreements

Agreement March 17, 2007 was for any net profit 50-50 between ORNCC and “CNL” (but legally it is all ORNCC).

Gary suggests we wait until after the conference to review the net profit (if any) to see how the money might be distributed between ORNCC and CNL.

The board has agreed to purchase a stock of books for sale at the conference, and ORNCC will receive the profits from these sales, and keep the remainder of books. The book budget is completely separate from the CNL project.

~~Oct 3-5~~

Oct 10-12 unsure

Oct 17-19 unsure

~~Oct 24-26~~

Nov 7-9 problematic

Nov 14-16 problematic – fallback because reservations are made

Megan will email Board

1:30pm – 3:45pm ORNCC business

- Short discussion and **vote** about what books to order.

- Financial agreement between ORNCC and CNL including book profits.

- Budget report, including CNL-conference specific

- ORNCC Sponsorship of NVC related community events

- Posting trainings on the ORNCC website

- Subcommittee- ORNCC ads in conference programs and local things (aside from the conference).

3:45pm – 4:00pm Check out

Financial Report

Retreat Dates

Somewhere in the ether the discussion has been raised (needs consensus decision) – ORNCC will keep all of the profits from books sold during the conference. How does this change (if it does at all) the 50-50 agreement?

*Agenda item for July meeting – discuss the financial agreement between ORNCC and CNL.

Future agenda items

--Next ORNCC meeting after the conference – what's next, how do we follow up....