

present: Gabor, John W.- facilitator, Tina, Molly, Jon K., Betsy, Wendi-minutes, Emily

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Betsy handed out flyers for the Pioneer Valley Film Festival on October 19th at GCC. The flyers are a call for film submissions - spread the word! John W. will contact Louis Greenbaum to possibly have the Amherst Historical Society create a film for it - a film we can possibly use at our G.U. event on October 13th.

Gabor: 'All About Water' workshop on 6/23 at his house.

REPORTS

A) 'All Things Local store': Tina reported-about a dozen working groups are in place for this project. Task Teams are: Arts and Crafts; Producers; Volunteer / Recruitment; Website/Communications; Site Location...and more. The task Team folks are a group of people well established in the community - Tina is very excited about it.

John Waite from the Franklin County CDC is helping the group with a financial plan. Database of Franklin County Producers is being created - so when the store is ready, we will have that list to contact for inventory and participation.

Transition Amherst group and the 'All Things Local' task teams will have a meeting - to solidify our (shared) values and unified vision. Maybe a picnic?!...something fun.

B) Website report from Gabor. John Gerber is working with Gabor on it. Blogging activity is up on the website. All Things Local networking has increased Facebook activity on our website. 'Static pages' have a lot of information in them - check it out!

C) Emily / Molly Interview Project - They are working on an outreach and oral histories project at the Amherst Senior Center (Bangs Comm. Center). Wants to use the stories at the G.U. October 13th event. Possibly a big projector involved...

Emily is going to the Northwest in July for a month - plans to interview other key Transition Town folks out there (as part of her research). Wendi gave them the name of Kitty Axelson - 'Modern Memoirs' owner and publisher in Amherst as a contact person for the oral histories project.

GREAT UNLEASHING EVENT OCTOBER 13th

Priorities: Location, Name for the event, Outreach

Need 2 volunteers to find a location for about 200 people. Wendi plus...??

We decided tonight, per Molly's proposal, to have an e-mail thread discussion for the name - to be finalized by July 5th meeting. Wendi taking the lead on this.

Space needs named, summary of go-round of everyone at meeting:

Tabling in Lobby

Breakout Rooms for conversation groups and working groups

Large Room to accommodate 200 chairs plus some tables

Venue could supply tables and chairs

Venue Ideas

Red Barn at Hampshire College

NACUL Center

School

Barry Roberts owns Amherst Cinema

Church

minutes submitted by Wendi