

Coordinating Council was held at CRE&T April 27, 2008, from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m - 115 Olympia Ave.

==Summary==

\*John W. reported there is a company that will sell items through Ebay

\*501(3)C was talked about. Where does Olygeek see the organization in the years ahead.

John M. will commit to calling an attorney and spending up to \$500 to work toward a 501(3)C

\*Good Will was talked about – the contract they offer and the non profit status.

Facilitator: John M.

Scribe: Ken

Agenda: Ken

Average attendees = Four for last four meetings - must have 4 attendees this meeting for a quorum.

==Check in ==

John M., John W., Ken, Brenda, Zenson

\*\*Review, verify, clarify agenda

\*Has everyone read the agenda and prepared for an informed meeting?

== Regular Business ==

\*John M. would enjoy helpers keeping the store open among other items.

\*Good Will has offered to send a couple employees to Olygeek John met with a representative on Tuesday(4-27-08) – will meet again next Tuesday.

\*Background checks are getting closer to reality. An Admissions group was formed – all discussions will take place in Executive Session.(4-6-08) This is reality.

\*Thurston County Recycle Days are May 10 at the Thurston County Fairgrounds(4-6-08)

==Consented Items==

\*Commitments

Brenda will contact Bruce to see how he is doing and inquire about his non profit.(3-30-08)

Bruce was contacted – Bruce's 501(3)C has not been officially resolved. Bruce is working toward working everything out to benefit everyone. Taking over his 501(3)C is not wise. Starting off as a 501(3)C has a probationary period.

Contact the Olympian: "Share creative ideas for reducing, reusing or recycling with Lisa Pemberton at 360- 704-6871 or lpemberton@theolympian.com.

<http://www.theolympian.com/living/story/363632.html> (Brenda 3-9-08)

==Past Due Commitments==

\*John will call the City of Olympia to get on the recycler list.

\*John M. will get a key policy together –

=== Reports ===

\*Finances: (John M., John W.) – John M. has been researching 501(3)C – the accounting is different.

John paid the insurance.

This month was good thanks to Got Junk. The truck overloaded fast so the people showing up were pointed to olygeek. Otherwise these people would not have patronized olygeek.

John paid for the Web sites.

A drive wiper was added to the assets. Around \$750 was added to the assets overall for this month.

John says there is \$8500 to in the bank before rent and utilities are paid.

\*Recycling (John M.) –

\*Public Relations; (Brenda) –

\*Network Infrastructure - (John M.) –

\*Thrift Store -

**Current open hours are:**

John T. is here most Monday evenings

Tuesday 1-7 John M. is usually alone

Thursday 1-7 John M. is usually alone –

Saturday 1-7 – this is the best day for volunteers

Sunday 1-4

\*Disassembly (John M.) –

\*Triage (John M.) –

\*HR (Ken) -

\*Build ( ) – -.

\*Safety Officer (John T.) –

\*Team Member Reporting(who is on which team) - this was cleaned up September 9, 2007

\*\*1. Finance - (John M., John W.)

\*\*2. Public Relations - ( manager - Brenda) -

\*\*3. Network Infrastructure - (John M.

\*\*4. Thrift Store - (manager - John M.) - Brenda V., John T.

\*\*5. Recycling (shipping - taking things to recyclers) John M.

\*\*6. Disassembly - (John M. manager) Scott B.,

\*\*7. Triage (receiving, testing) (John M. manager defacto) John W, Robert T., Thomas B.,

\*\*8. HR (staffing) - Ken, John W, Scott

\*\*9. Build (finished machines) - Ken, John W., John M., John T.

\*\*10. Infrastructure (John M. manager) - Ken,

\*\* Safety Officer John T. or store coordinator

== Old Business ==

\*Key Policy (John M) –

\*Grievance Policy

==New Business==

\*Advertising – John M. asked if anyone knew of a catchy slogan to catch the eye of the community.

Ken and Zenson suggested the following - short – sweet and simple. Long adds tend to lose the reader.

# Computers

Freegeek Olympia wants your unwanted technology

115Olympia Ave.

Visit us at: <http://www.oly-wa.us/freegeek/>

Or

Give us a call - 360 - 705-9999

John M. wants to change “wants” your unwanted technology to “accepts”

\*Good Will has offered to send employees(possibly 3 - trainees) to assist in the recycling of computers if olygeek has a 501 (3) C. John M. has a meeting with a Good Will representative on Tuesday at 9:00 if anyone is interested in attending.

==Late Add==

\*The degree and types of handi-caps- What should the group allow given the current accommodations? The work olygeek has to accomplish could put some at risk for injury. Workers compensation has been mentioned as problematic.

\*501(3)C – has benefits olygeek should be enjoying. Good Will is in need of proof of a non-profit. A 501(3)C automatically assumes there will be employees. John had a document from Good Will he read from.

John M. would like to speak with an attorney to find out the steps.

Ken pointed out the talk is the system at olygeek. The groups talks about doing different things but little action takes place. Freegeek talked of obtaining the 501(3)C since the beginning. But all this is talk. The group is in need of looking at the future. Where do we intend to be in two years? In three years? Wasting more time talking? Ken suggested setting aside three thousand dollars. John reported he has no interest in spending more than \$500. Ken pointed out the legislature has committed to recycling machines. Olygeek is not onboard. Ken reported to all the 501(3)C should be obtained now and no more waiting or talking about. Either move forward or remove this off the agenda. Quit wishing out loud if not action is going to take place. Ken ask where does this group see themselves in the years ahead. In business or wishing to be in business?

Brenda pointed out tax exempt status. Obtaining grants is possible if a person were to have the time and desire to write them.

John M. says a thousand dollars is available to spend. But wants to start at \$500. Ken said three thousand dollars should be set aside. Other members in the group shouted "NO".

Ken asked exactly what the 501(3)C worth? And why not spend the money now? Is the group interested in moving forward. The group is stuck in the system. I personally don't want to waste time for something the group is not going to support. I spent hours researching advertising in the form of coffee cups after the group authorized money to spend. Once I brought the price back no one favored moving forward. The status quo remains. There is no wonder why no one wants to spend time doing something the group will not support.

Supervisor and manager were two terms in the hot seat. Employees are sometimes called participants and referred to as such throughout the document. Types of training provided must be detailed and complete. The ways participants may perform volunteer work is spelled out. Olygeek is called a Host agency. Good Will has a grievance procedure. Does not like nepotism. The host agency must have detailed insurance covering the unlikely accidents that may occur. Fraudulent actions will not be tolerated such as assisting in time sheet padding.

The point was make Olygeek is not a rehabilitation organization. The mission statement does not support taking on community problems. Recycling computers is the main stay.

A representative of a person with Tourette syndrome came by looking for a place to send this person. Olygeek does not have the personnel to handle medically fragile people. Again this is not the mission of olygeek – the solving of the communities problems.

Olygeek has a limited amount of volunteers and these volunteers are at olygeek to recycle computers. Discrimination is a concern but secondary to the mission statement of olygeek. Olygeek does not have staff or volunteers to handle the medical fragile of those in rehabilitation.

John W. reported there is a company that will sell items through Ebay. He will commit to finding out more information.

Wrap-up ==

\* Check Out

\*The next meeting is: May 4, 2008, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at CRE&T

\*Facilitator: John M.

\*Scribe: Ken

\*Agenda - Ken

\* Suggest agenda items

The following meeting will be May 11, 2008 –

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Information:

Thurston County Solid Waste

[http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/www/Recycling\\_and\\_Disposal/Recycle/Recycle%20Days/Recycle%20Days.htm](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/www/Recycling_and_Disposal/Recycle/Recycle%20Days/Recycle%20Days.htm)

The home page for Thurston County Solid Waste Front office: (360) 357-2491

<http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/www/>

[http://www.dcgoodwill.org/about/our\\_mission.htm](http://www.dcgoodwill.org/about/our_mission.htm)

Olygeek Mission Statement: Free Geek Olympia is a Not For Profit organization that reuses and recycles computer technology to provide computers, education and related services to benefit the South Sound Community



Goodwill of Greater Washington's mission is to educate, train, employ and place people with disadvantages and disabilities, creating a stronger workforce and a more vital community while building dignity for the people we serve through the removal of barriers to personal success. [Click here to read our service values.](#)