

WIKI SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON, DC INC.
Board of Directors Meeting

December 2, 2017, at 1:00 PM
Cove, 1666 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC

Board Members Present: Kirill Lokshin [President]
 Rosie Stephenson-Goodknight [Vice President]
 James Hare [Secretary]
 John Sadowski [Treasurer]
 Kelly Doyle
 Robert Fernandez
 Peter Meyer
 Diane Shaw

Board Members Not Present: Emily Temple-Wood

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Lokshin at 1:15 PM.

1. A motion by Mr. Lokshin to approve the minutes of the October 8 meeting of the Board of Directors in the form previously distributed, provided that the date was corrected, was seconded and passed without dissent.

2. Mr. Lokshin submitted a written report on behalf of the Executive Committee.

[See Attachment A]

3. The science photography competition was discussed. Mr. Sadowski reported that there were many submissions to be reviewed by the jurors, with five finalists to be awarded cash prizes and 25 to be submitted for consideration for the international competition.

4. Wikimedia District of Columbia's position on net neutrality was discussed, focusing on the impending vote by the Federal Communications Commission rather than the broader principle of net neutrality. The Public Policy Committee noted it would work on a comment.

5. Past events were discussed. It was reported that 26+ events were held since February 2017, and that volunteer participation is strong.

6. Branding of events was discussed, including retiring the term "edit-a-thon" in favor of different terminology.

7. Wikimedia District of Columbia's participation at the GLAM conference in Tel Aviv was discussed.
8. Ideas around tracking volunteer participation were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:31 PM.

Approved on _____, _____.

James Hare
Secretary

Kirill Lokshin
President

ATTACHMENT A

Executive Committee Report December 2017

SUMMARY

- Since the last meeting, we held 8 events with partner institutions, and have 2 more events in the pipeline.
- Fiscal-year-to-date, we have recognized revenues of approximately \$75K and expenses of approximately \$29K. We currently hold approximately \$130K in cash, including approximately \$94K in unrestricted funds.

PROGRAMS

Institutional Partnership:

Since the last meeting of the Board, Wikimedia DC has held seven edit-a-thons and other collaborative editing events with institutional partners: an edit-a-thon with West Virginia University on October 9; an edit-a-thon with the National Archives on October 11; an edit-a-thon with NIOSH on October 19; an edit-a-thon with the National Trust for Historic Preservation on October 20; an edit-a-thon with the Laurel Historical Society on October 21; an edit-a-thon with the American Statistical Association on November 11; and an edit-a-thon with American University on November 18. We additionally held two non-editing events with institutional partners: a networking event at the Historical Society of Washington, DC on November 3; and a Wikidata workshop with the Smithsonian Institution on December 1.

We have scheduled two edit-a-thons and other collaborative editing events with institutional partners over the next several months: an edit-a-thon with the Embassy of Sweden on December 8; and an edit-a-thon with the Charles Sumner School Museum & Archives on January 20.

There are two additional events which are in an advanced planning stage but which have not yet been firmly scheduled: an edit-a-thon with the Virginia Association of Museums in March; and an edit-a-thon with the National Institutes of Health in March. We are additionally discussing potential events with Ford's Theatre, the Holocaust Museum, the Arlington Historical Society, Arlington Public Library, the DC Government Office of Historic Preservation, Mount Vernon, the Women's History Museum, and the Jamestown-Yorktown Historical Society.

FINANCE

Wikimedia DC currently has \$130,181.42 in cash, consisting of \$35,826.36 in restricted funds (which include unspent funds from our Simple Annual Plan Grant and our Strategy Salon grant, as well as

funds administered under the Art+Feminism 2017, USF SOLIS 2017, and WikiConference North America 2016 fiscal sponsorship agreements) and \$94,355.06 in unrestricted funds.

Since the beginning of the fiscal year, Wikimedia DC has recognized revenues of \$75,416.96, consisting entirely of unrestricted funds. During the same period, Wikimedia DC has recognized expenditures of \$29,125.32, consisting of \$26,072.40 of program costs and \$3,052.92 of administrative costs.