

Date: March 6th

Meeting Time: 11pm Eastern, 10am Central, 8am Pacific

Call-in: (712) 432-0075, code 388105# (host 564471#)

In Attendance: Jerome, Walda, Shamako, David, Rob, Monica

Facilitator: David

Notetaker: Shamako

Key Documents: (Please let me know if I'm missing something.)

Affinity Groups Budget Template

Affinity Groups Plan

Approved 6 Month Operating Budget-National Coordinator .5 time

National Coordinator 2 month workplan

DRAFT-NPC Member Financial Support Agreement

DRAFT-United States Social Forum (USSF) Orientation

a. Check In's

(Political Discussion)

b. Orientation Process-Document Approval David/Evelyn (10 min)

1. Things that need be added

Monica-Putting in meeting times. Have a discussions about the whole expectation or setting the tone that we are all in this fundraising together

Might want to put something like that on there.

Shamako: Adding the meeting times and the political framing documents.

Walda: adding in the political framing and fundraising piece

David: Bullet points. Short. Have a statement that we will use PMA's as our principal outreach tools as well build towards 2015. That we should include, or at least takl about movement...do we talk about movement schools with this orientation document.

DAvid calls for consensus. Proposals pass.

Jerome: movement schools haven't had enough discussion to be a part of this document yet.

Cheri: Agree, not enough discussion before the document is complete.

David: No other discussion, discussion to be had about movement schools. This brings us into the conversation around movement schools. Quick framing around what the movement schools are.

c. Movement Schools-(10 min)

Already agreed that

we are using the people's movement assemblies for our outreach. Movement schools should be coming out of those discussions, so that the concepts that are being discussed in PMA can be deepened and broadened our political unity and move our discussion to a higher. The topic of the movement schools should be determined by the people who agree that we should have higher level of discussion. Urgency discussion, the we believe statement that is a part of that discussion. Deepen our connection to movement. Try to develop some kind of movement that can serve as some sort of basis.

David: Where to touch down into what working groups. Outreach/PMA's working group. And then overall into our three year workplan.

Shamako: Make Movement Schools and PMA, political conversation and direction visible.

Rob: International build it and make it a reality. Movement structures that we can utilize to make it a reality.

David: Agreement that it needs to be a part of the structure.

Cheri: Education is absolutely

Shamako: Is the content of the movement schools complete?

Jerome: The people who have agreed to be a part of a movement school can develop their agenda and what they want to discuss. Can be built around political framing documents, and we believe statement. Political framing and what it means to build a movement. Utilize the US Social Forum process, as a tool for building building. The underlying current is really trying to set the basis for greater unity in the process and to utilize the topics that can move us forward.

David: To begin to address how to deal with elections. Maybe controversial in some circles, having a political conversation that we've been trying to have for two years.

Cheri: Echo those sentiments since I'm sitting in the hallway of the third circuit federal courts and

watching them argue why there shouldn't be ballot access in America.

David: No disagreement, we agree. Great that we agree

d. Working Group Reports: (30 min)

1. Gender Justice-

a. Walda: Practices and insights on gender justice practices. Developing those things and refining and bring them forward to the NPC by way of sharing those things in the Social FORum process and in other pieces. Preparing for a workshop type piece. And inform the Social Forum process for sure. Also thinking about collaborating on a process at the Left Forum.

David: Meeting time??

Walda: Wed. at 9pm Maybe 3rd Wed?

2. Road to USSF-Third Site Piece

Walda: Having regular calls. Just sent to NPC the process for selecting the Third Site. The road recommends given resources that we max out at three sites. And also holding regular calls with the Philly folks once a month. Several of us are working on the plan and so forth. Desire to have a bigger discussion of linking the PMA work and how are envisioning the PMA work. To move this forward. Really want to think about program and Com/Tech having those discussions.

3. Outreach/PMA

Jerome: Glad going after Walda. Our report lines up with site. Continuing to make those moves. Calls are on the first and third Monday of Each month. One of the things being done, how are we developing our outreach to groups that we need more participation and outreach from. Native American, Youth and Language Justice. In that regard, we've really started..7th generation Foundation, took the lead in developing our work with the Native American community, and those notes should be available soon. Discussions about 3rd site possibility. Third site should be a site that already has significant Native American struggles, and also one that has significant Native American leadership. Youth connections and Language Justice Connections.

David: 1 meeting Outreach, 2 thing PMA. Doing the PMA part. Have been able to do outreach work. Jerome and Walda have a PMA coming up. A continuation of work that they did and having other outreach space. Some work to do around other workshops and outreach. Going to put together some stuff. Doing a PMA around that. Also want to add that the PNW process is flailing about a little bit. Monica wrestling it to the ground. Tilting it in some direction. Sending Jerome and Kaitlin to the Planning meeting on the 25th. Cautiously optimistic. Might get on a common genius. What do we really need to have happen at that April meeting. Also know about PMA's we've heard about in Louisville and Appalachia but we're not really connected to it. About where were are on PMA's. Good methodologies and a write up on it. Accessible on a education level. Word level, too high of a reading level for a lot of people who are trying to access

it.

Monica: Scheduled for Sept. Evelyn is the lead on that and DAWG. Mention that that there's a smaller PMA for Farmworkers. Scheduled for March 22nd.

David: Edgar invited in to the discuss on PMA calls.

4. Res/Dev-Proposal for Funding Development through membership contributions

Monica: changed call times. Moved it up to every other week. Stay on top of it more. Two of us who are taking on work on the call. Really need help in order to do everything that we need to do. Ask for money. There's been a document sent around ACT. Proposal for NPC members, framework that we collectively raise money. Help that we forward stuff whenever. Actually came from an NPC meeting. Give on a sliding scale based on their annual revenues. Hoping that the ACT will put that on the Agenda for the NPC meeting. One way that we've been able to get some gas money when we need. Focus on getting an e-ask out. Dione and Mallory helping with that. Have a draft of that to get out in March. Draft of the margurite casey. Nobody stepped up have enough people to help. Just and LOI. Need to pass that by anyone. Jacqui Patterson. Great writer. Fine just to send it out.

David: Document on the financial support document-Road was too big. Draft does not include include. Monica had agreed, want to note that there's a document with those changes. Agree that we should have incremental steps between zero and 1 million. Agreed

Walda: Agree as well.

David: Shamako Get with Monica or David. Jerome, asking orgs to put information out to their lists.

Jerome: Thinking about and talking about to some people. Fundraising appeal to not only fundraising org but also constituency, open up mailing lists to us. Serves a number of purposes. Let's people know. Has the possibility of attracting more small donors to the process. Part of this whole question of grassroots fundraising.

David: Already on the document

5. Com/Tech

No Com/Tech folks on the call.

Jerome: Make sure someone from the ComTech team is on the Ment-Sup team. Also making sure that someone is on these calls.

Cheri Asks about Philly report. Added to the list.

David: Working to get Alfredo involved. Sept 2014 need.

Walda: Com/Tech Should always be. central, and always a challenge. Should take a ACT Call, and an NPC call. Working groups are trying to figure out. Maybe a special call, or a regular call. Should try to resolve it within.

David: That's great, need to have a deeper conversation. Getting a new person in the group. Got engagement.

6. Poverty Working Group-N/A Shamako to follow up

7. Arts and Culture-Meeting last Fridays. Carlton, jackson folks joining. Scheduling for something this week.

Cheri: Philly report. Shani in Arts and Culture. Diane Johnson sitting on PWG. have a Com/Tech meeting tonight at 6 to 8. All fo the people who signed up for communications and technology meeting tonight. on saturday, have PLOC, all day on Saturday. There continues to be great concern about having resources here and we're hoping that can be resolved. Exciting lots of stuff going on. Funding issue, going to continue to come up.

Shamako: Philly Indegogo campaign is up and running. So let's get on top of that and get it going.

Cheri: Lots of discussion and concern in Philly about what kind of impact having four sites would have on other places in the country.

David: Make sure....clearly need to develop a process to figure out how to get resources to the site. Strongly ambivalent. At some point, fish or cut bait here. We've got the site team report. Once we have that conversation. Being that process of getting some resources to various sites within a process.

Walda: The real conversation about our capacity in terms of sites and what are actual goals are. Where are our pieces going to be. It's very real. We have to get agenda. Move it through and open the discussion.

International: Working Groups reports-

e. Three Year Plan (Walda)

Walda: It's been sent around. Was literally updating. Don't know what there is to say. Movement Schools and PMA process, in 2014, Social Forums, 2015, National PMA's and Action Plan in 2016.

David: Not sure that it's been approved.

Walda: Get any feedback by tonight to get into NPC boxes to agree. Haven't taken it to the NPC.

Some of these things are always in motion. Understand are part of the broader conversations. Just did that update. In the inbox, apologies for not getting it in sooner.

Jerome: Agree talked about several people on ACT. Several discussion with NPC members. Three Year Plan. Critical passed. Particularly for the fundraising aspect of this. First time that the Social Forum process has had a fundraising plan.

David: Lifts up the need for the 3 year plan and the process for sites that comes out the road. Needs to be the agenda pieces for the next NPC meeting. We work best when there is collective work within each working groups. ACT is there to get them into the posture to get them into the NPC for the posture to decide. You are supposed to be in at least one working. Just coming onto calls, but it's not enough. Need to get on one working group.

f. NPC Meeting Dates-

David: Know that we need to talk about this. Not just the when but the how.

Jerome: This conversation has to go along with the conversations on how we're going to do this. If you're able to pay for your NPC member, that also counts as a contribution to the process. Don't think that we should prioritize the ACT. Because everybody should. Try to figure how to deal with this on a first come first serve basis.

Walda: Working groups for the PMA's sites, also encourage them to get to sites on their own. Also this question of having a broader political discussion like we do. Prior to fundraising like we do. After all the NPC orgs, efforts to fundraising. Pass down different types of....then be acknowledge.

David: First come, first serve basis. Orgs that are capable of getting their orgs there should do so. Walda recognizing priorities PMA's and site's in motion. Is ACT responsible for this. Separate question.

Walda: Now to Tuesday-Shamako and team getting tight proposal for Tuesday. Joining NPC process procedures.

David: Walda, Jerome, Shamako. If we can come up with a couple of dates. We've had a history of putting out doodles where we go 3 or 4 months without nailing anything down. Cant' do anything April. David totally willing to take anything out of it.

Jerome: Was really thinking that we should give ourselves a month or organize. Late April early May. Can't come last week in April.

David: Promised my mama. No Choice (Jerome) MTA will be there. Weekend on the 25th and 26th.

Jerome: Looking at it from the standpoint of unifying ACT, getting ACT on the same page. MTA will be well representative. Shouldn't have a weekend ACT members can't come.

David: May 2,3,4 jackson new economy conference. Monday or Tuesday in jackson. Come to the New Economies Conference. Social FOrum conference. Stick around for May 5th and 6th. Not a weekend. If that is something we can do. Other times would be weekend. Monday's May 5th and 6th following the Jackson conference

Jerome: Leave it as a possibility. Historically, doing meetings back to back, is very difficult. 5 days on the road, rather than the weekend. Encouraging people to be there. Perhaps add a couple more weekends. Looking at calendar. Good for the next weekend for 9,10,11 and good from 23rd, 24th.

David: May 5th and 6th, Friday May, 9,10,11-We can lock that. Full work days, May 24, 25. Dates Agreed.

Jerome: If we cannot get the NPC meet on the 5th and 6th. If can't get the NPC to meet, we have an ACT meeting.

Walda: Planning on Going

g. National Coordinator/Ment-Sup Team.

Res/Dev-Ellen's name came up as a possible Supervisor Team member. Working on building that out. Meeting Time Tuesady before every ACT call. Workplan, what he's doing. Build out agenda for ACT call to be as productive

David: Just want to note that wiki concerns have been addressed and we'll stay on that so that gap stays close.

NPC Agenda-

Presentation of 3 year plan:

- Site Process

- NPC dates:

- Oreientation Process

- NPC funding proposals

- Working Group Reports

David

Shamako: Yes. Over optimistic. yes. But create document for working group reports.

Walda:

Cheri: Also has a site report: Brings reality back into the room. All of the work that goes into the room. Work that goes into hosting the site.

Jerome: have to do a really good job of prioritizing the agenda. Not gonna get through agenda.

David: Can we agree that we will get to Shamako get to Shamako by the end of the day on Thursday so that we can get the agenda and all of the documents by Friday.

Jerome: COOL!

Site Team and International get added.

Final Decision:

David:

1. NPC Face to Face Meeting
2. Three Year Plan
3. Site Proposal.
3. Funding Proposal Document
4. Orientation Process Document
5. Working Group Reports Document.

Need a notetaker and facilitator.

NPC Meeting and Date is critical. Should be number 1.

Facilitator: David

Notetaker: Shamako