

ACT CALL THURS. 01/02/14 11:00AM Eastern, 90 minutes

Facilitator: Shamako

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Agenda

1. Check-ins/Attendees: Shamako, David, Jacqui P, Rose, Jerome, Evelyn, Jen, Alfredo, Walda

1. Proposal for Political Discussion ACT integration-Jerome

Jerome thinks we should institute a policy where we start our calls with a political discussion around some relevant

topic. We should start this on the ACT calls and raise it on NPC calls to see if they want to do so as well. We will end

each ACT call by choosing the political discussion topic for the next call, and assign someone to frame it out. NOTE:

If there are any readings, they should be sent as early as possible.

Unanimous agreement that we institute this as a policy.

The first topic should be "The Call to The Movement."

3. National Coordinator Update

* Workplan & Contract Extension

Jackie S, Walda and Jerome created a draft National Coordinator workplan, Shamako edited/polished it.

Jerome and Monica are the Supervising team.

Rose wants to hear from Jacqui P from Resource Dev re: budgetting.

Evelyn underscores that some Working Groups wont need much tech help. She also expressed concern about budget

issues.

Jerome asserts his personal assumption that ACT wants Shamako to say, but that the Supervising team should do a

formal evaluation.

Walda points out that there may be money still allocated because Shamako can on later. She also points out how

critical it is to keep a coordinator on as we figure out what it means for USSF III to be polycentric.

Evelyn asks if we can have a simple Profit/Loss on every call so we can know how much real money we have.

Shamako reports that resource/Dev are working on the overall 2014 budget proposal. Shamako is following up with

Monica about this.

Jacqui reports that roughly \$8,000 was already allocated for National Coordinator. There is definitely money still

unspent, and she will be working with Victor (accountant) on both a bare bones 2014 budget and a hoped for

budget.

Shamako officially started on Nov 15.

Jerome and Monica will work out details of when the already allocated money is spent.

Unanimous agreement that we do not need another NPC approval until already allocated money runs out.

4. Site Team Application Follow Up

Walda reminds us that the Site Team work is being handled under the Road to USSF III Working Group.

Walda, Jerome, Rose have worked up a one-page workplan to take to NPC. This includes site visits, integrated phone

calls with other Working Groups and local sites. NOTE: There is work to do about content of programming at USSF III.

Also, how do we really capture what is happening on the ground at the various PMAs that have happened and that

will happen in 2014.

Rose has worked up a call for extending applications for additional sites. She points out that Jackson, MS is in

process for a a visit, hopefully in Jan. We must be intentional and deliberate about what is required about acquiring

the second and third sites.

Evelyn expresses concern about some of the requirements re: access to airports, accommodations, etc. These might

be extremely difficult to meet, especially for Indian Country and rural areas.

David reminds us that any potential sites should be brought into conversations with Road to USSF III Working Group.

Evelyn agrees.

Evelyn thinks that folks from Poverty Working Group might be in conversation with folks in Four Corners. She will

follow up.

Unanimous agreement to place the two one pagers on the USSF website.

5. The Call-Shamako

Walda thinks current draft is heavier on "urgency of the moment" and less on more practical/logistical details. David

recommends "The Call to the Movement" be discussed on next NPC call. Evelyn recommends that ACT create a pirate

pad so it can be collectively edited by ACT members. Jerome recommends that Jacqui P join the team helping to

bottom-line the drafting, and she accepts.

Unanimous agreement for all above recommendations.

Rise Up Pad Link for the The Call

https://pad.riseup.net/p/A_Call_to_Movement-Workng_Draft

6. NPC Meeting Agenda-Reviewed and Refined/Status of the NPC (10 min)

NPC meeting agenda draft

1. New NPC Applications/approvals (Jerome)

2. Political Discussion for "The Call to The Movement" (Shamako)

3. Decision making process/accountability/ process

1. DRAFT Proposal: One page Orientation for USSF Structure, Policies, Procedures (David)

4. Budget/Fundraising

5. Working Group Reports

6. NPC face to face meeting

7. Polycentric site logistics (Site team proposal)

Political education: Outreach/PMA: Sharing experience and documents for PMA development

Working group updates

Other

7. Working Group Reports: (20 minutes)

* Res/Dev (Shamako-Monica will not be on the call)

As we have already covered, Jacqui reminds us that 2014 budget proposal is in process.

She reminds us that the Afinity Group process/tool is available for all Working Groups to use.

NOTE: It includes a

built in 15% to go to overall USSF budget needs.

Jacqui, Monica and Shamako are scheduling a call with every Working Group to help orient us to how to use the tool.

* International Committee-Jen

They had a really good call to really reconstitute the IC, including politics around WSF issues.

They are planning an in-person meeting to flesh out workplan for 2014.

* Road to USSF-Walda

Work is ongoing. The work has been at the center of this call.

* Outreach and PMA-Jerome/David

Meetings are ongoing, and will be creating a more focused workplan.

Recommends the Kenyan group that applied to be on NPC be put on as Ally, and that we refer them to USACAI and

the International Committee.

* Gender Justice-Rose

They are meeting regularly, and have a call scheduled with Jacqui to help flesh out budgetting issues.

* Poverty Working Group-Evelyn/MBJ

They are creating a survey for times/dates when folks want to meet. 14 responses already, from folks across the

country, and 1/2 have been to a USSF and 1/2 have not!

Rose applauds the use of the survey, and recommends that all Working Groups investigate using it. Evelyn is open to

helping to facilitate the use of this tool, all she needs is the questions.

* Com/Tech-Alfredo

They are in process of developing a fuller plan based on the decisions that have been made, with a big focus on

helping PMAs in 2014.

They are beginning to think about how to help roll out USSF III to the movement generally as well as to progressive

media.

They are looking to expand to get closer to the team that is needed to do all this work.

NOTE: Eveleyn requests that the Com/Tech create a simpler call to go out that describes work in smaller, easier-to-digest chunks.

* Arts and Culture-Shamako

Email list is up and running, and about 15 groups on list. Several of the new NPC groups are going to come onto Arts

& Culture.

They are going to be setting up a regularly scheduled call.

Jacqui recommends engaging Arts & Culture to help create a kick-ass Kickstarter fundraising campaign.

Shamako will facilitate an introduction between Heather Ault and Rose.

Next NPC call is on Jan 14, next ACT call is Jan 16.