

## Minutes

Board of N.C. Open Government Coalition

January 24, 2013

In attendance: Steve Riley, Paul Parsons, Monica Hill, Roger Sarow, Rick Willis, Brooke Barnett, Sue Farlow, Judie Burke, Beth Grace, Rick Gall and Rick Thames

The meeting was called to order at 11 a.m.

Motion to approve meetings from the Nov. 12 meeting. Motion seconded and then minutes were approved.

### Insurance

Steve Riley introduced Rick Gall, who discussed issues surrounding the use of N.C. State's McKimmon Center space for Sunshine Day. Gall explained that use of the space would require event insurance, or liability insurance. Gall gave price quotes on such insurance. Monica Hill suggested that co-sponsoring the event with an N.C. State-based department, such as Office of Student Media, might prevent the need for such insurance. Hill agreed to contact the adviser for student media at N.C. State and, if he were amenable, put him in touch with Sunshine Day organizers.

### Sunshine Day

Sunshine Day 2012 organizers who join Sue Rowland are Rick Gall, Beth Grace and Pauletta Bracy. The event will be Monday, March 11 from noon until 4 p.m. Events will include a panel on the UNC football situation, along with an update from The N&O's Dan Kane. Rowland also announced a civic education component, as well as a panel on how the government gets it right. Rowland asked that board members contact her with any other suggestions for the agenda. The board, by approved motion, agreed to maintain the same registration fee as years past, unless costs dictate an increase.

Rowland reminded all board members that everyone would be asked to contribute in some way to the day's events. She asked for 100 percent participation among board members.

Rowland sought board support for the creation of an awards program, a coalition award from government and one for media, both to begin in 2014. The board, by way of approved motion, supported the move to create an awards program.

### Director's Search

Brooke Barnett shared an update with the board on the status of the search for a full-time director. Search committee members Paul Parsons, Brooke

Barnett, Steve Riley, Beth Grace and Monica Hill will meet with candidates on Elon's campus. The goal is to have a person in place by the start of the fall semester.

#### Membership

Brooke Barnett reminded board members of the need for 100 percent membership among board members. She also discussed membership by organization and the group talked about plans for reviving that aspect of membership once the new Director is on board.

#### Old Business

Brooke Barnett shared an update on the app development project, with plans to unveil it at Sunshine Day. The group talked about a potential apps for all project where the Sunshine Center could create apps and websites for other state open government coalitions. Our app designer can do a bit more work and create a template for creating more apps. We decided to explore external funding for that project.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30.