

**Digital Inclusion Network
Wednesday, May 23, 2018
2:30-3:30**

**Office for Community Technology, Rivers Conference Room
111 SW Columbia St., Suite 600, Portland, OR**

MEETING NOTES:

1. Introductions
2. Digital Inclusion Week and 2018 Digital Inclusion Summit (reflections and next steps)

Rebecca Gibbons, OCT, thanked Matt Timberlake, Multnomah County, for guiding the summit planning team. Gibbons said initial feedback from Summit participants has been very positive; with many expressing excitement and enthusiasm for keeping the discussions going. Gibbons said the planning team is still reflecting on the day and welcomes input. Gibbons said a participant survey was circulated after the Summit; all participants are encouraged to complete the survey. There were about 120 people in attendance throughout the day, representing 69 unique organizations. The summit was streamed live by Open Signal. Gibbons thanks Elisa Barrios, Open Signal for her role on the planning team and leading the video recording and streaming. Several participants expressed a lot of excitement and learnings as a result of the health panel discussion. One area for opportunity for all the panels was that more time was needed to engage in audience discussion with panelists. Gibbons thanked Seth Ring and MetroEast staff for conducting and video recording individual interviews with Summit participants. Gibbons thanked Sam Pastrick (CUB), Drew Pizzolato (NTEN), Nandini Ranganathan (PNCA M+T+C) and Julie Reeder (WIC) for their leading roles in helping pull off the Summit. A list of Summit attendees is available on OCT's website. Gibbons thanked DIN members for participating the DIW proclamation at Council the day before the Summit. Gibbons said the presentations were extremely well received by Council and that Commissioners Eudaly and Fritz both responded with glowing support for the DIN and the DEAP. Gibbons said Betty Dominguez, Home Forward, and Rania Ahmed, Regional Manager, with EveryoneOn announced the City of Portland's and Home Forward's acceptance as ConnectHomeUSA members. DIN members unable to attend the proclamation were encouraged to view the Council video.

Follow up items:

Live video stream view count

DIN members that participated in DIW with activities and events are encouraged to report data back to Rebecca. Such as # of participants attending classes and events; demographics of participants; # of programs/classes offered; impact stories or quotes.

3. Digital Inclusion Resource Database

Jon Worona, Multnomah County Library, previewed the Digital Inclusion Resource Database. The Library applied for and received a grant from the MHCRC to develop the website and database for DIN member use. The Library contracted with a OMBU, a local company, to design and develop the database. Once launched, the Library will host and maintain the website and database. The DIN logo was used for the Summit, but is still a work in progress. Worona navigated through the resource database to show how digital inclusion providers will be able to post and research resources. A feature of the database allows DI providers to click on a topic area to bring up a map showing where an individual can go to receive that service. Once the provider is identified, the recipient can click on the item to get an entire breakdown of the services offered, including: hours, phone number, email, etc. The database will be translated into several other languages and can also be used as a platform to post things like the Summit, annual progress report and solicit new DIN members.

Discussion: There is interest and support for features that will allow DI providers to ask a question/solicit input via the website. While this isn't a phase 1 design priority, Worona said the design team could put a link to the DIN Google Group. A feature of the database includes an active list of the Wi-Fi networks available throughout the County. How can we keep track of that info to ensure the database is up to date; is there an API to ensure the information is current? Worona stated that they are still researching this and needing to discuss this matter further – Russell Senior (Personal Telco) could be a resource. Everyone agreed that this is a much-needed resource and needs to stay up to date and as current as possible.

It was suggested to add additional filters like (facilities that are only open, only in my area, only in my language) and to add a glossary of terms so people know what to look for exactly. Worona said DIN members should be on the lookout this summer for a request for members to complete an organizational profile to help populate the database.

Expected launch: September.

4. Year 2 - Progress Report

First year report was presented at the end of July, this year we are looking to present in early September. The focus of the report is on partnerships and collaborations.

5. Strategic Action Activities/Trip Reports/Updates

Senator Wyden, Congresswoman Bonamici and State Representative Jennifer Williamson are holding an event on Friday to highlight the urgent need for the U.S. House to pass net neutrality protections approved recently by the Senate. The event will be a round table discussion to highlight the issue that includes two DIN member organizations, business owners, students and advocates. Senator Wyden's office is coordinating the event and the list of participants. The DIN

member organizations represented are Multnomah County Library and the Oregon Citizens Utility Board. City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainable (BPS) is bringing forward a Resolution to adopt the Smart City PDX Initiative Priorities Framework on June 13, 3:45 Time Certain. The Framework uses a racial equity lens to guide City staff decision making around Smart Cities projects and policies. BPS will share the Framework with the DIN and DIN members are encouraged to attend City Council on June 13.

MetroEast is seeking a full time Digital Media Trainer to join the Rockwood DIY facility. Interested candidates should email a resume & cover letter to Seth Ring, Director of Education & Volunteers via our HR software: <https://metroeast-community-media.breezy.hr/>