

## BUDGET NARRATIVE AND DONATIONS

### **BUDGET NARRATIVE**

Even though this application is a rush effort, my discovering the grant less than a month from deadline, the proposal (if there would have been more time) would still have been generative, and not laid out with specific tasks on a specific timeline. Although desiring to create colab studios for over a decade, I have been blocked by the lack of resources to investigate and select, construct, and tune a viable colab studio from existing technology. The grant will provide me resources to conduct these initial steps, after which the project should be self sufficient.

The grant funds will be devoted primarily to creating and maintaining a viable pilot colab studio. Those who use the colab studio as core participants will not be funded by the grant. Indeed, if the colab studio is successful, people should eventually be attracted to pay to use it, which would contribute to the extra hours the staff and technicians may be needed.

I have human resources to assist me in selecting technically competent persons to design, construct and maintain the colab studio. They will do this without pay, but a token reward would be appropriate. I, as director, will seek compensation only for those services I must perform as director - and not as participator in the creation and use of the colab studio. Yet, I expect to devote full time, and more, to this venture. I am retired and have the time to give to what has been a longtime dream. Other organizations may be attracted to contribute resources to this project, but they cannot be secured within the time allotted.

I will contribute what computer equipment I have to the project; which covers most of the basic expenditures; see listing below. Hardware and software needed will be primarily to facilitate multiple input interfaces, monitors, and digital storage. I expect to locate the colab studio near to my residence so I can have 24/7 access. I will furnish most of the furniture for the colab studio.

The initial challenge will be selecting/creating the software to enable the colab studio to function as desired. All features desired may not be initially possible. For example, the easy linking hyperweb dialog system for dynamic displays. But, there is no doubt that a minimal, yet viable, colab studio can be constructed within 6 months of the availability of funds. If certain features take longer to develop, they will be integrated into the project as they become ready. We expect to begin conducting sessions in the colab studio 6 months into the funded project.

## **EQUIPMENT & SOFTWARE DONATED**

### **HARDWARE**

- DELL Dimension 8250 Computer
- Samsung SyncMaster 171v monitor
- Mice, Keyboards, Speakers, Cables
- Linksys Cable Modem and Router
- SONY DVD/CD Rewritable Drive DRX-830U
- Wacom Digital 4x5 Pad & Pen
- HP PSC All-in-One Printer, Scanner, Copier
- HP Scanjet 5550c (scans stacks of multiple pages)
- LogiTech Orbit Camrecorder & 510 Camrecorder
- Electronic Whiteboard - Softboard Model 205
- SONY Cyber-shot DSC-V1 5.0mp Digital Camera
- ICE PrintFilm 365u 35mm slide scanner
- APC Battery Backup and Surge Protection
- Toshiba Laptop 1555CDS

### **SOFTWARE**

- Microsoft XP Pro OS
- TextAloud MP3 (text to speech, with extra voices) 2.068
- Dragon Naturally Speaking 8.0
- Notemap 2.0 Outliner
- ECCO PIM and Outliner 4.0
- Quicktopic Document Review Pro
- Microsoft OneNote 2003
- PersonalBrain 3.02
- RoboForm Pro 6.9
- SightSpeed Multiparty 6.0
- SnatIt 8.0
- Groker 2.2
- Microsoft Frontpage 2003
- Microsoft Word & Excel
- Ipswitch WS-FTP Professional
- NERO 7 Essentials
- SCANSOFT PDF Converter and Create!
- ZoneAlarm Security Suite 7.03
- Diskkeeper Pro
- Registry Booster
- Assorted Open Source & Freeware: Firefox, Thunderbird, etc.