



**NGCP Collaborative Leadership Teams  
Community Meeting  
Chat Transcript, May 8, 2019**

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Kathy Thomas: Hello all! Kathy here from The Connectory.

Marian V Wilson: Marian V Wilson, TN Collaborative

Rachel Kessler: Hello, this is Rachel Kessler from Oregon ASK, the Oregon Girls Collaborative Project

Dr. Judith Iriarte-Gross: Judith Iriarte-Gross, TN Girls Collaborative, No

Tiffani Cortez: Tiffani Cortez, TX

Suzi Taylor, Montana: Hi - Suzi Taylor from Montana State University / Montana Girls STEM Collaborative. Highlight? Speed networking!

Marta Larson: Marta Larson, MI

Danielle Moore: Greetings I am Danielle Moore from the DFW Girls Collaborative

Erin Hogeboom: Hello everyone, Erin Hogeboom from the NGCP--great to see you all here today!

Kelly: Hi - Kelly Chastain from TN

Timothy Fowler: Timothy Fowler, NYS Network for Youth Success, New York STEAM Girls Collaborative

Dale McCreedy: Dale McCreedy from the TnGirlsCollab and the Discovery Center at Murfree Spring in TN

Danielle Moore: Yes, I participated in the Collaborative Kick-Off for my region.

Timothy Fowler: I participated in Missouri's kick-off as part of the Midwest Afterschool Science meeting. The big takeaway for me was how many people across the country care about equity issues and are doing amazing things to bridge gaps!

Lorena Harris: Hello everyone... This is Lorena Harris from NYS STEAM Girls Collaborative and SUNY Schenectady

Timothy Fowler: Three out of four people on the webcam wear their glasses while camming LOL

Leah Henry: Hi there! Leah Henry here from the Children's Creativity Museum and CA Collaborative

Tracey Zelden: Hi Sorry. Connection issues

Timothy Fowler: Suzy is soooooo cool

Kathy Thomas: Nice glasses Suzi!

Suzi Taylor, Montana: I just want to fit in :-)

Erin Hogeboom: It's so great to see all of your faces!

Kelly Riedinger: Kelly Riedinger from Oregon State University - working remotely in TN

Erin Hogeboom: Feel free to respond here in the chat or use your microphone rights (follow the Audio Instructions at the top).

Dr. Judith Iriarte-Gross: TN had an Epscor grant and we did so good that we are not eligible for another level of Epscor.

Suzi Taylor, Montana: Yes, it's sort of a double-edged sword when you "graduate" from EPSCoR!

Tricia Berry - Texas Girls Collaborative Project: what is your actual question.... what do you want to know?

Tricia Berry - Texas Girls Collaborative Project: I jumped in a bit late so perhaps I missed that.

Suzi Taylor, Montana: Tricia -- do we have a mission/vision and/or focus area

Dr. Judith Iriarte-Gross: Improving STEM education for TN girls???

Cindy Thorngren: What have you done to map current girl-serving programs?

Tracey Zelden: We have just set up a partnership with a university to offer a two-week program for STEM. This is a new partnership for us.

Leah Henry: Thanks for adding that Erin, and I totally agree. We revamped the CA Collaborative fairly recently, so our vision/goals have mostly centered around reconnecting with our network and rebuilding relationships. And since we are based at the Children's Creativity Museum, middle school girls are definitely our strongest audience to reach.

Cindy Thorngren: And what mapping (i.e. listing) of women's groups have you made?

Suzi Taylor, Montana: Well said, Tricia -- we, too, seek to be the connective tissue and a resource rather than offer direct services

Lorena Harris: Hello! From NYS STEAM Girls collaborative

Lorena Harris: From our NS STEAM We are committed to support underrepresented and minorities in STEM education. We hope to increase network and connect educators including everybody from College students (future educators) to middle school and elementary school kids.

Tracey Zelden: This two-week program is aimed at middle and high school girls and they get a stipend and iPad. It is specifically geared toward African American girls

Leah Henry:(So sorry I can't join the video/audio - loud shared office!)

Tracey Zelden: Me too Leah!

Erin Hogeboom: No worries, Leah, video is optional.

Suzi Taylor, Montana: I still remember being kind of stuck in the beginning of how to host a meeting -- the Missouri folks inspired us to look at others' meetings and just jump on. That seemed much more do-able

Casi Herrera: Probably Timothy, at that point! I recruited him and then he blew it up!! :)

Casi Herrera:(in a good way)

Timothy Fowler: I think in MO and now NY our strategy was let's go to where people are already meeting and start there. Sometimes it is hard to get another statewide convening on people's calendars. We go to conferences with a STEM focus or conferences by groups with a STEM focus to reach out.

Erin Hogeboom: Great point, Timothy.

Timothy Fowler: Tricia told me about her regional approach in TX which may be helpful, if she wants to share.

Casi Herrera: Totally, Suzi!

Leah Henry: That's a really good point Suzi

Erin Hogeboom: Yeah, and maybe being really transparent about that with folks could be a good practice as you're getting started.

Suzi Taylor, Montana: Right on, Erin -- I basically assure them that it's OK to have down times when they are not doing a big project; We still need them and will mobilize when there is a project

Erin Hogeboom: I also have an example of the Girls Advisory Board that I'll share after Tricia speaks.

Erin Hogeboom: \*from the Girls Advisory Board

Dale McCreedy: Kelly and Kelly - What else would be helpful to ask sites that would draw on your small group discussion?

Karen Peterson: Such great information from everyone! Thank you all so much!

Timothy Fowler: People have other work outside of the GCP, so downtime on girls' Collab means doing other work in many cases

Tracey Zelden: I am sorry, but I have an appointment, I have to sign off.

Timothy Fowler: Bye Tracey!

Kelly Riedinger: This has all been really helpful and I can't think of any other information we would need. It sounds like others will be able to share materials that will be a useful starting point for our group.

Lorena Harris: You are doing a great job Tricia... We had a STEM Day last week at our SUNY Schenectady (with around 120 students from HS, College Student is presenting and educators). It was a wonderful celebration of STEM and everybody who participated had a good time...

Many Girls in Computer Science looking for role models! and many girls Scientists (physics) with really good questions...

Suzi Taylor, Montana: I have not had huge success with this but a little.... we have encouraged our board members to host a "meet up" at a coffee shop or brewery in their town to tell people about the Collaborative

Suzi Taylor, Montana: It's pretty easy for them to do and makes them feel like they are doing something to help (and they are helping!)

Kelly Riedinger: Yes, thank you to all for the help and advice!

Kelly: Thank you, everyone! Lots to think about.

Timothy Fowler: I have to jump off--site visit this afternoon. Thank you all!

Erin Hogeboom: Thanks, Timothy

Lorena Harris: Yes!!! We did it on Wednesday, connect with the HS principals, VP and coordinators in the Middle Schools and HS and yes transportation is very important...

Lorena Harris: we offered transportation (and we had a whole day of events with agenda planned for the kids, so they will be able to connect with role models at college. .

Leah Henry: I have a nice challenge/success combo - we hosted a girl's event to celebrate women's history month back in March and brought in all sorts of awesome collaborative partners. We didn't have the largest turn out, but it was quite a success for those who participated! In the beginning, we tried to work with the partners down in southern CA, and while we had lots of successful brainstorming, we unfortunately did not match up our two events. A major goal of ours is to unite the north and south of CA, and we will certainly keep working to find ways to do so. I must jump off for a meeting about our Girls in STEAM camp but thank you for a wonderful discussion everyone! We are still developing and strengthening the CA collaborative, so new ideas and hearing from other collaboratives is always great!!

Lorena Harris: Yes, we did that, we went to speak with the classrooms ... and connected with the students!!! We had three schools coming (from our Capital area) ...

Dawn Hunter: We worked with Cisco's Girl Power STEM this year and last year, but Cisco worked with school teacher's (students didn't already have IT experience). Cisco also required the permission to be completed and submitted a few days before the event.

Lorena Harris: We work with a few different programs, we invited judges from business (from our community). Yes! Team work for sure...

Dale McCreedy: Suzi - finally reading through chat...love your meet up ideas and like the social and outreach combination.

Tricia Berry - Texas Girls Collaborative Project: I have a challenge to share when there is a moment.

Dawn Hunter: I gave Cisco my school teacher contacts that I knew well.

Dr. Judith Iriarte-Gross: consider liability issues when providing transportation

Erin Hogeboom: Good point, Judith

Cindy Thorngren: Thanks Dawn & Lorena

Tiffani Cortez: You do an amazing job Tricia!

Suzi Taylor, Montana: hang in there, Tricia!!!!

Karen Peterson: We are all here for you!!!

Tricia Berry - Texas Girls Collaborative Project: Thx Team!! :) I appreciate the community and it's too important to not be doing it.... we'll keep it going!!

Tricia Berry - Texas Girls Collaborative Project: YEAH! SciGirls!!

Tricia Berry - Texas Girls Collaborative Project: I gave a teaser yesterday at a Girls in STEM community convening in Austin...invited all to the webinar! :)

Casi Herrera: <http://ngcproject.org/scigirls-strategies-live-stream-0>

Karen Peterson: Thank you to Erin!!

Tricia Berry - Texas Girls Collaborative Project: THANKS!

Suzi Taylor, Montana: Good luck Erin. We will miss you!!

Dale McCreedy: You have been awesome!!!

Danielle Moore: Thank you!

Tiffani Cortez: Thank you Erin!!!

Lorena Harris: bye!!! Thanks!!! yes! we will miss you!!!

Tricia Berry - Texas Girls Collaborative Project: Yes, THANKS Erin!!

Erin Hogeboom: Thanks everyone--you are all the best and doing such incredible work!!!

Lorena Harris: all the best ERIN!!!