**Sunday, November 3, 2013 7:00 PM**

**Google Chat with Jamie, Amy, Rick and Renee**

Began by getting to know each other a little bit.

We discussed the document on our Google drive where we were putting together our Proposal Form. We come up with ideas for the Big Idea, Essential Question and Challenge.

This is what we came up with in the end:

Big Idea: Students in a community come from different backgrounds.

Essential Questions:

How do our differences help us become more alike?  
What groups do I belong to that shape who I am?

What is your cultural footprint?  
Why should we be accepting and tolerant of others?

Challenge:  
Host a multicultural event to showcase your own background, educate yourself in the background of your classmates, and understand the differences in your classroom community.

We then decided that we wanted to wait before submitting it to make sure we didn’t think of anything else.

Amy expressed that the Diigo and Wiki were set up and checked if everyone could access them.

We decide to meet again on Wednesday November 6 at 7 pm.

Rick volunteers to set up the Google Calendar.

**Wednesday, November 6, 2013 7:00 PM**

**Google Chat with Renee, Rick, Jamie, Amy**

Recapped what we came up with in our proposal in the previous meeting:

Big Idea: Students come from different cultures.  
  
Essential Questions:  
How do our differences help us become more alike?  
What groups do I belong to that shape who I am?  
What is your cultural footprint?  
Why should we be accepting and tolerant of others?  
  
Challenge:  
Host a multicultural event to showcase your own background, educate yourself in the background of your classmates, and understand the differences in your classroom community.

Renee suggests that in the Challenge, we use learn about instead of understand and add differences and similarities.

Amy suggests that we say Citizens in a community instead of students in the Big Idea.

Renee suggests that we change cultures to backgrounds in the Big Idea.

Rick suggests that we lay out a schedule to meet. We decide on Thursdays and Sundays at 8:00 PM.

We agree on the finalized Big Idea, Challenge and Essential Questions and discuss what we have due coming up. We are unsure exactly what the Mind Map should be, so we decide to wait on starting it and Amy emails Cynthia for further clarification. Amy will pass along reply to the group.

**Sunday, November 10, 2013 8:00 PM**

**Google Chat with Amy, Jamie, Renee**

We begin by discussing what is due this evening. We are completing our Mind Map, which is a Prezi. We make sure that what we have together is what we need and we are not missing anything and are updating our shared Google calendar.

We finalize our Mind Map and Amy is sending it on to Cynthia. We go over the next step, Individual Guided Activities, and decide to work on them on our own and discuss them in the Thursday chat.

**Thursday, November 13, 2013 8:00 PM**

**Google chat with Rick, Renee, Amy, Jamie**

We start by going over what is due next, the Project Sketch. Jamie creates the necessary pages on the Wiki and Renee volunteers to put some graphics on them.

Each member discusses what they have or are thinking about so far for their Guided Activities.

We discuss that we need to fix our annotated bibliography.

**Sunday, November 17, 2013 8:00 PM**

**Google Chat with Renee, Amy, Rick**

We discuss what we have on our Project Sketch pages so far, giving feedback to one another and deciding how we can make it better.

Amy volunteers to summarize the conversations for the synchronous meetings on Google Chat.

We discuss what else is needed for the parts of the project due tonight. We need to complete our project sketch and make sure all of our resources are on Diigo.

**Wednesday November 20, 2013 8:00 PM**

**Google Chat with Renee, Amy**

We discuss our next project deadline, Week 6. Renee comes up with the idea for an IMovie using group voices and photos. She posts a production chart into the original Google Doc we have been communicating with since out Proposal. We discuss what parts could be done by which people and how we would go about it. Amy is curious id there is a chance to give the final solution a more multimedia approach. Renee comes up with other good ideas for presenting that we decide to run by the group, she offers to send samples out.

**Thursday, November 21, 2013 8:00 PM**

**Google Chat with Jamie, Rick**

**Later Google Chat with Renee, Amy**

Members are in chat at different times, decide to postpone chat to Sunday appointed time.

**Sunday, November 24, 2013 8:00 PM**

**Google Chat with Amy, Rick, Renee, Jamie**

We go over the Glog that Renee has produced. She asks everyone to submit a voiceover for the final project.

Jamie volunteers to put the Wiki link on the Discussion Boards to share the project. We make sure the Wiki is public.

We discuss the Proposed Solution for our project and are having trouble coming up with a clear idea because we are all a little unsure of how to do it with our project.

We decide to move the meeting on Thursday because of the Thanksgiving holiday. Amy suggests that we schedule our next chat to a night when Cynthia can join us so we can discuss the final Solution Publication with her and she can help us understand it better.

**Tuesday, November 26, 2013 8:00 PM**

**Video Hangout with Jamie, Amy, Renee, Rick and Cynthia**

We began by addressing Cynthia and expressed to her that we were having a hard time coming up with what we needed for our solution. We were unsure what direction to go in, what sort of item to present, and what point to focus on. We discussed the festival as the solution and Cynthia agreed that it would be a good idea.

When wondering how we should show the festival, it was suggested that we try finding images online to create the bulletin board and create a scenario or description. We should focus on aspects like:

How would it be organized? Who would be invited? What would all of the logistics be leading up to carrying out be?

We discussed choosing to incorporate some type of artifact to go with your guiding activities one from each that can be published in the solution.

We discussed events as a solution, one of the parts of the events can be a flyer advertising for the event, menu, floor plan and examples of what the students can do or have done. ((Artifacts can fall into this category.))

Cynthia expressed that we do not HAVE to use Discovery Streaming but it is a doable resource.

In the end, we decide that through the week we can each work on what our station at the festival could be.

Rick explained that for the floor plan, there will be stations and the music and the food are where people congregate between activities. They can reflect on what they have seen or experienced.

We decided that what brings us together under one umbrella at the end that shows the melting pot that we are together. One of the suggestions was a Handprint quilt where families take a picture and they are all put together into the shape of the world.

What is on our Glogster is good, if we want to put it on our wiki then put our publication below it that is ok.

Discussed giving an extension to the deadline.

Suggestion of a short PSA or video where we each share something cultural about ourselves to demonstrate what we would like our students to be doing.