Jo Ellen sending out email Media Impact Funders on Wednesday night email after this meeting.

More positive message about coming.

Only 6 people have signed up so far.

Need to set up marketing strategy.

January 10th - room block releases.

Set up marketing plan (next meeting)

Still working on speakers. Got a couple more.

Saturday business meeting--wants people to stay for Friday and wants people to be excited about what’s going on on Saturday

Talking to members on CC about the upcoming election

* 2008 Town Hall call around the country
* Didn’t do much in 2012--talked about the Occupy movement

Focus on what is really wrong in the country--nativism

* Is there a way members can work together to address the “anti-” sentiment in the country. Should our response be a critique? Statements? Toolkits? Or should we be pushing a counter narrative about immigrants coming into the country, important roles Muslims have in the country.
* What can we do at this meeting to talk about it and come up with a plan?
* Jo Ellen would facilitate, no speakers.
* Committee would be working on proposals with members to present to the rest of the members.
  + Rachel thinks a little bit of both might be the answer, but sees need for discussion.
  + Antoinette likes the idea of going positive.
  + Linda generally thinks it’s a good idea to stay balanced. Legitimate security concern, erosion of civil liberties. Everything we put out could be seen as “liberal lefty” and look at what is going on in other parts of the world. Need to take a sophisticated and shrewd approach.
  + Jo Ellen: who should be working on a proposal?
    - Round up best reporters and editors on this subject and should be a different committee than program committee. Get some feedback and listen to their suggestions.
      * Mondoweiss
      * Esther at The Nation
      * IPS
      * Open Democracy
      * Democracy Now!
      * Free Speech TV
    - Linda suggested this kind of project could get funding.

Talked about program schedule. See: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/19O646SviczG5Th2fGkxA3jpMgVxwxtSkbfjAVn6qrdk/edit?usp=sharing>

Anything missing?