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ARIZONA TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION COUNCIL

ATIC Board Meeting Minutes (Draft) – March 14, 2007

On-Site Attendees:

1. Mike Keeling (*)	2. Ron Schott (*)	3. Hoyt Kesterson
4. Jerry Crow (*)	5. Oris Friesen (*)	6. Tom Liffiton
7. Bob Denton	8. Art Consoli	9. Ron Lee
10. James Allen	11. Ted Kraver (*)	12. Al Sterman (*)
13. Galen Updike proxy for Chris Cummiskey (*)	14. Eddie Chang proxy for GladysAnn Wells (*)	15. Michael Cohen (*)
16. Mark Goldstein (*)	17. Jay Flash Miringoff (*)	18. Genee Walker (*)

Attendees via Audio:

1. Steve Peters (*)	2. Ralph Gierish (*)	3. Glenn Stoneman (*)
4. Deborah Dupée	5. George Favela proxy for Connie Eitel (*)	6. Sue Stoll (*)
7. Audrey Skidmore	8. Nolan Straabe	

(*) - ATIC Board Members - present =17, with a quorum = 10

Many thanks to Cox Business Services for the statewide audio conference connections and to Lewis and Roca for providing meeting facilities, technical support, and hospitality.

Thanks also to Jay Flash Miringoff and Arizona Tele-Com Solutions for providing a wireless hotspot for the Board Meeting attendees.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW:

- The next ATIC Board Meeting will be on April 11, 2007, 12:00-2:00 p.m. at Lewis and Roca in downtown Phoenix.

Modifications to and Acceptance of Agenda Draft

The agenda was accepted.

MOTION: To accept the agenda as shown below.

MOVE: Galen Updike

SECOND: Ron Schott

Passed Unanimously

**ATIC Board Agenda – March 14, 2007
DRAFT Agenda**

1. Modifications to and Acceptance of Agenda Draft
2. Self-Introductions
3. Acceptance of Minutes from Last Meeting
4. Membership Considerations
5. Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in January 2007 Minutes.
6. Committee Reports
 - 6.1. Strategy Committee (Mike Keeling and Steve Peters)
 - 6.2. ATIC/CIAC AZ Telecom Summit Committee (Steve Peters)
 - 6.3. Vendor Advisory Committee (Frank Croan)
 - 6.4. GCIT CIAC Progress Report (Galen Updike)
 - 6.5. Cyber Security Committee Report (Jerry Crow)
 - 6.6. FCC Activities (Al Sterman)
 - 6.7. ACC Activities (Tom Campbell)
 - 6.8. Arizona Telecommunications Directory (Galen Updike, Brad Tritle, Mark Goldstein)
 - 6.9. GAZEL Report (Steve Peters)
 - 6.10. eSATS Report (Ted Kraver)
7. Monthly "General Information" Meetings (Mark Goldstein)
8. Announcements
9. Informational Presentation
 - 9.1. None
10. Adjourn

Self Introductions

See the attendee list above.

Acceptance of Minutes from Last Meeting

The minutes for the January 10th Board meeting were presented for approval and accepted.

MOTION: To accept the minutes.

MOVE: Mark Goldstein

SECOND: Ted Kraver

Passed Unanimously

Membership Considerations

Mark Goldstein reported that Heidi Pahl of MAG has resigned from her position as a Board Member. Audrey Skidmore will be representing MAG and may become a Board Member at a later date.

Mark invited Dave Evertsen of Municipal Solutions to join the Board. His nomination was deferred until he is in attendance at a subsequent Board meeting.

Ron Lee of the Navajo Telecom Regulatory Commission (NTRC) attended as a representative for Ernest Franklin of the NTRC. Oris Friesen suggested that we consider Ernest as a new Board Member.

MOTION: To nominate Ernest Franklin as a Board Member

MOVE: Oris Friesen

SECOND: Ralph Gierish

Passed Unanimously

Glenn Stoneman announced that he is resigning from his post as a Board Member.

Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in January 2007 Minutes

Oris Friesen reviewed the following outstanding action items:

- The issue of 2 levels of membership still needs to be addressed by the new Strategy Committee chaired by Steve Peters.
No action yet.
Will be carried forward to the April meeting.
- The Arizona Telecommunications Directory (ATD) still needs to be reformulated and the evolution and updating of the ATD actively considered/managed. Galen Updike and Brad Tritle have this action item.

ACTION ITEM:

Galen committed to address this issue before the next Board Meeting in January 2007.

Now due in March with Jay, Patt, Ralph, Mark and Oris to participate.

Mike Keeling suggested that we broaden the scope of the project and perhaps involve the Industry Vendor Advisory group in a leadership role.

Galen noted that if HB2742 passes there may be some \$375K available to do a survey of all the players in telecom in AZ.

Will be carried forward to the April meeting.

- Michael Cohen as Treasurer has an open action item to file with the IRS for certification of ATIC's 501(c)(6) status. AT&T's 2006 sponsorship payment has been delayed pending a copy of the certification letter and may be at risk if not accomplished in a timely manner.
ACTION ITEM:
Michael committed to take action on this over the Thanksgiving holidays.
Mark reported that the 1024 form is ready to be completed and will be submitted in a few days.
- Mike Keeling, with assistance from Oris and Galen, will draft a letter for Frank Croan and the Industry Advisory Board soliciting vendor assistance and participation.
Closed after a discussion later in this meeting.
- Mike Keeling, ATIC Chair is to provide the Centennial Vision Coalition (CVC) a letter confirming ATIC's decision to support and anticipated future participation.
No action yet.
DONE

- ATIC will contribute \$100 - \$200 in memory of former Board Member Diane Bacon.
Mike Keeling followed up on this with Michael Cohen
- \$150 to AZ Advocacy Network, which Diane founded
DONE

Committee Reports

- **Strategy Committee** (Mike Keeling and Steve Peters)

The focus has been on the joint ATIC/CIAC Summit on May 17 and 4 preparatory planning meetings.

Website at <http://www.tucsonlink.org/Summit07>

Letters (several thousand) going out across the state to key policymakers

Subcommittees:

- **Vendor/sponsorship committee**
 - **Bob Denton,**
 - **Jay Flash Miringoff,**
 - **Deborah Dupée**
- **Attendance committee**
 - **Dave Evertsen,**
 - **Eddie Chang,**
 - **Ron Lee**
- **Content committee for subject matter and for facilitators of the breakout sessions**
 - **Ted Kraver**
 - **Ron Schott)**
 - **For the meeting day**
 - **And for the preparatory sessions**

Jay Flash: Gene Fisher of LaPaz County needs to be involved in this planning.

Steve Peters: all the above people should send email to Steve to make sure they are on the email list.

The April Public Information meeting will be one of the Summit Preparatory meetings

Gene Walker noted that it will be difficult for rural members to participate in an online meeting.

Eddie Chang and Steve Peters will explore use of libraries or schools in the rural towns.

- **ATIC/CIAC AZ Telecom Summit Committee** (Steve Peters)
(see above discussion)
- **Communication Infrastructure Advisory Committee (CIAC) Progress Report** (Galen Updike)

Galen gave a **succinct** report on the Broadband Development Authority bill SB1070. It was met with some firm resistance. Now we have a good strawman piece of legislation that is ready to be put forth for the next session in November 2007.

Jan Leshner is the new head of the Department of Commerce. Our relationship with GCIT and Commerce will change, but we don't know how. Chris Cumiskey has been told by the Governor to move ahead with broadband activity. GITA will retain control of policy

There were 2 Commerce bills in the House (1 was GADA and 1 dealt with restructuring)

We need help from

- (1) ATC to invite the Governor to our May Summit meeting. Mike Keeling will send a letter to Donna Kent; and
- (2) GITA - a letter written by Galen from GITA and Commerce will be sent as a companion to the general letter to 2000 people.

- **Cyber Security Committee Report** (Jerry Crow, Jeni Li)

Jerry reported that we have been fairly dormant, but we are interested in providing a Security program in conjunction with the November 15 ATIC Public Information meeting. Next April meeting of INFRAGARD will be at Palo Verde Nuclear Plant.

- **Federal Communication Commission (FCC) Activities** (Mark Goldstein)

Al Sterman said a letter is going out to Somers and other Commission members requesting a response by April 20th to us. If we get a commitment to attend from Governor, then we will send a follow-up note to that effect.

We will also invite Commissioners to participate in our Preparatory meetings.

Arizona Consumers Council has a link to the Summit page and Al suggests that other organizations do the same.

- **Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) Activities** (Tom Campbell)

No report this time.

Al Sterman observed that they are busy discussing rate cases, but there is not much to do regarding telecom.

- **Arizona Telecommunications Directory** (Galen Updike, Brad Tritle, Ralph Gierish)

This Action Item is documented in the Section called "Review of Outstanding Action Items" above. Mark will refresh the organizational and content structures.

Mark and Oris reported that the Directory is now up and running after some issues were resolved by PrecisionPros.

- **GAZEL Report** (Steve Peters)

Steve noted that there is a Networking event on March 20.

We are developing a new portal for GAZEL

There is a major elearning event in September.
Alex Deveraux is the new chair.

- **eSATS Report** (Ted Kraver)

Ted reported that we are updating the eSATS website to become an Advocacy Site.
We have also talked with US Dept of Education and ASU-Poly regarding partnerships and collaboration.

On the legislative front, we think we are in the \$40M “BOX” – the statewide telecom survey amendment has not yet been submitted but it has brought some other people on board.

Ted did an op-ed piece for the Business Journal saying that the Governor wants to take us into the next phase with education and technology, which she mentioned at BYTE NIGHT last night.

A note for posterity:

Ted also talked to Steve Ballmer at “Byte Night” (500 person celebration, sit down dinner, Governor speaker, technological philanthropist awards) last night. Ted asked him if he wanted to hear the real story on why IBM selected DOS over CPM. Ted told him how his brother-in-law Bill Clark convinced both IBM marketing and his technical group in Boca Raton in the early 1980’s to choose Microsoft’s DOS for the IBM PC.

ATIC Public Meetings (Mark Goldstein)

Mark noted that the April Public Information meeting will probably consist of one of the Summit Preparatory meetings.

Announcements

The following announcements were made:

Mark announced that the Gov Tech meeting is on May 30

Galen reported that Janet Napolitano and Chris Cumiskey were listed in the Top 25 of the technology savvy people in US

Mike Keeling gave Kudos to Mark, Galen, Steve, Bob Denton and everyone else who helped make the w2i Conference in Tempe a success.

Ron Schott announced a Golf event on April 2 sponsored by Avnet.

Galen observed that the w2i framework that was distributed at the roundtable could be very useful to our telecom survey activity.

Galen also noted that there is another round of money from DHS being offered. He will follow up with Marissa Walker on the details.

Michael Cohen reported that the D&O Insurance will be renewed for another year.

Informational Presentation

None.

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Remaining ATIC Board Meeting in 2007 on Wednesdays from 12:00-2:00 PM are scheduled for:

May 9, 2007

June 13, 2007

July 11, 2007

September 12, 2007 (Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown)

October 10, 2007

November 14, 2007

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.