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ARIZONA TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION COUNCIL

ATIC Board Meeting Minutes (Draft) – July 9, 2008

On-Site Attendees:

1. Ernest Franklin (*)	2. Oris Friesen (*)	3. Jay (Flash) Miringoff (*)
4. Ron Schott (*)	5. Ted Kraver (*)	6. Patt Patterson (*)
7. Bill Bolin (*)	8. Michael Cohen (*)	9. Jerry Crow (*)
10. Allan Meiusi (*)	11. Tara Garcia	12. Taryn Johnson
13. Dan Goodman	14. Galen Updike proxy for Chris Cummiskey (*)	

Attendees via Audio:

1. Ralph Gierish (*)	2. Deborah Dupée (*)	3. Mark Goldstein (*)
4. Steve Peters (*)	5. Ed Nicholson	

(*) - ATIC Board Members - present =15, with a quorum = 11

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

Modifications to and Acceptance of Agenda Draft

The agenda was accepted as modified below:

DRAFT Agenda

1. Modifications to and Acceptance of Agenda Draft
2. Self-Introductions
3. Acceptance of Minutes from Last Meeting
4. Treasurer's Report
5. ATIC Board Membership Considerations
6. Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in June 2008 Minutes.
7. Upcoming Conferences
 - 7.1. Governor's Rural Development Conference, Carefree, September 24-27, 2008.
 - 7.2. FCC Rural Broadband workshops in Arizona on November 20, 2008.
8. Committee Reports
 - 8.1. Cyber Security Committee Report (Jerry Crow)
 - 8.2. Strategy Committee (Ron Schott and Steve Peters)
 - 8.2.1. Status Report
 - 8.2.2. ABC Initiative (Galen Updike)
 - 8.2.3. Integrated mailing lists (Steve Peters)
 - 8.3. CCEC Debates for ACC Candidates (Steve Peters)
 - 8.4. GCIT CIAC Progress Report (Galen Updike)
 - 8.4.1. GITA Broadband Assessment Study
 - 8.5. Telecom Directory - ATD (Mark Goldstein)
 - 8.6. GAZEL Report (Steve Peters)
 - 8.7. FCC Activities (Al Sterman)
 - 8.8. ACC Activities (Tom Campbell)
 - 8.9. eSATS and AZ eLearning Task Force Report (Ted Kraver)
 - 8.10. Vendor Advisory Committee (Jay "Flash" Miringoff)
9. ATIC "Public Information" Meetings (Mark Goldstein)
 - 9.1. September 18, 2008
 - 9.2. November 20, 2008
10. Announcements
11. Informational Presentation
TBD
12. Adjourn

Self-Introductions

The attendees introduced themselves (see attendance list above).

Acceptance of Minutes from Last Meeting

The minutes for the June 11th Board meeting were presented for approval and accepted.

MOTION: To accept the minutes from the May Meeting with a modification provided by Ron Schott.

MOVE: Patt Patterson

SECOND: Allan Meiusi

Passed Unanimously

Treasurer's Report

Michael Cohen reported on the ATIC finances, which were essentially the same as the previous month. The figures for the previous month were

Checking: \$4,295.92

Savings: \$11,305.93

CD-1: \$5,574.93

CD-2 : \$5,568.19 .

Membership Considerations

Mark noted that Sethuraman Panchanathan (Panch) of ASU might be interested in becoming a Board Member as a possible replacement for Bill Lewis. We are also contacting Paul Flikkema of NAU. The Arizona Technology in Education Alliance (AZTEA) and has identified Amy Chayefski as a point person. Amy has been added to our list of ATIC Associates.

Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in the October 2007 Minutes.

- What is happening to CIAC? Galen Updike is investigating the future role of CIAC, especially as it relates to ATIC.
 ➔ **ACTION ITEM:** No action yet – still pending.

Upcoming Conferences

- The annual **Governor's Regional Rural Development Conference** is scheduled to be held at Carefree, Arizona, from September 24-27, 2008. More information is available on the Commerce website at <http://www.azcommerce.com/CommAsst/RuralDev/RDC.htm>. ATIC should plan to participate. They are accepting candidates for awards. David Drennan of DOC is the contact person.

There will be a session on rural broadband development, Rosalyn (Roz) Boxer and Dave Drennan are planning to organize a worldwide interactive panel that looks at communities and highlights some of the things that are occurring.

Ed Nicholson of the City of Prescott would like to participate in this Panel.

Ernest Franklin reported that the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona -- Tribal legislative committee will have a role at this conference. This is being organized by Ron Lee.

- The FCC continues to plan to hold one of four **Rural Broadband workshops** in Arizona on November 20, 2008. Al Sterman has reserved 6 slots for ATIC and named Mark Goldstein as the ATIC contact person. This is a joint workshop with the Department of Agriculture (USDA). Mark Goldstein has contacted the FCC to refine the role that ATIC can play, but has received no response..

Committee Reports

- **Cyber Security Committee Report** (Jerry Crow)
Jerry reported that plans are still in place to hold a joint meeting with InfraGard on September 18, 2008, as part of the ATIC Public Information meeting.

Jerry and Galen have asked Mary Beth Joubanc to be one of the speakers. She is the Chief Privacy Officer of Arizona, and is employed by GITA.

See the meeting announcement at <http://www.phoenixinfragard.net/>.

- **Strategy Committee** (Mike Keeling and Steve Peters)
 - **Status Report** (Ron Schott)
Ron Schott reported that the Strategy Committee now meets regularly on the first Tuesday of each month at 10-11 a.m. All meetings are virtual via teleconference.

Ron requested that we all review and critique this list, which can be downloaded as: "ATIC Strategy Committee Plan June 08.pdf" (especially pages 5 and 7) at <http://www.aticstrategy.grovesite.com/page.asp?o=gazel&s=ATICStrategy&p=220775>
Ron encouraged everyone to go ahead and volunteer to be a champion and send your ideas to Steve. Add areas that may have been missed, etc.

Ralph Gierish has spoken with Jeff Hatch-Miller about the possibility of joining ATIC and acting as a liaison to industry and government agencies.

➔ Mark Goldstein took an **Action Item** to bring up to date the ATIC web page information concerning the Strategy Committee.

- **ABC – The Arizona Broadband Connection Initiative** (Galen Updike)
Galen reported that there is no money available for this year. Galen and Roz are pursuing alternative solutions.

Galen plans to summarize the CIAC activities for last 18 months in a document.

The Arizona Broadband Authority is now considered to be a high priority item for GITA.

- **Integrated Mailing Lists** (Steve Peters)
No action.
- **Citizens Clean Elections Commission (CCEC) Debates for Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) Candidates.**

Steve distributed brochures for the debates. A PDF copy is available at <http://www.accdebates.grovesite.com/page.asp?o=gazel&s=ACCDebates&p=261219>.

The debates will be held at Rio Salado Community College. The schedule is:
Primary Election Debates:

July 15 – 4 Democrats in a.m. and 8 Republicans in p.m.

General Election Debates:

September 15 – 3 Democrats and 3 Republicans plus any Independents

You can download the latest details from the grovesite website at <http://www.accdebates.grovesite.com/>.

You are encouraged to submit questions for the candidates at that website.

- **GCIT CIAC Progress Report (Galen Updike)**
 - **GITA Broadband Assessment Study**
Mark reported that the study is underway and due to be completed by late summer.
- **Telecom Directory - ATD (Mark Goldstein)**
Mark reported that no work has been done recently. This is on hold until the GBAS Project is done.
- **GAZEL, eSATS and Arizona eLearning Task Force Report (Ted Kraver)**
Ted reported that all that eSATS achieved over last 3 years is now gone due to the legislative actions taken.

eSATS and GAZEL are now looking at a P-20 eLearning policy with AZTC & ABEC et al.

eSATS has also have worked with GPEC to have an eLearning facility to teach English to Japanese contingent.

The Task Force is still meeting.

- **FCC Activities (Al Sterman)**
See above item on **Rural Broadband workshops** in the Upcoming Conferences Section.

The FCC is working on broadband definitions and the D-Block will probably be re-bid.

Bill Bolin reported that a group is looking for nominees for the most wired communities to be used in conjunction with business site selection.

- **ACC Activities (Tom Campbell)**
No report

- **Vendor Advisory Committee** (Jay “Flash” Miringoff)
Jay Flash has been working with La Paz County and has proposed a “branding” theme for Parker and environs as the “Virtual Office of the Southwest.”
Galen reported that the GITA response to La Paz letter requesting assistance will be to offer as much help as possible.
It will probably be necessary for La Paz County to open a docket with the ACC.

We still need to form a Vendor Advisory Committee

ACTION ITEM: Ron Schott will contact the ILECs and CLECs shortly to involve them in this committee.

ATIC "Public Information" Meetings (Mark Goldstein)

- Mark reported on the June 19th meeting.
- The September 18th meeting will focus on cyber-security.
- The November 20th meeting will be held in conjunction with the FCC workshop in Arizona.

A full schedule of ATIC meetings for the rest of 2008 and all of 2009 is included at the end of these minutes.

Announcements

- Oris announced that Mesa Community College, as part of a partnership with IBM, is offering an On-Line 8-Week Class (3 credits) in Software Quality Assurance (CIS246) that will begin the week of 8/25/2008.
For more details and registration information, see the website at <http://aitsti.bii.maricopa.edu/homepage/> or contact Dr. Oris Friesen at oris.friesen@mcmail.maricopa.edu or 602-992-4504.
- Ron Schott announced
 - that the R&D Tax Credit bill, which was sponsored by the Arizona Tech Council, was approved;
 - The latest issue of TechConnect has information on the CCEC Debates; and
 - The Arizona Tech Council is interviewing candidates for their “Vote Tech Smart” project.
- Patt Patterson announced that Community Voice Mail (CVM) lost 12% of its funding due to budget cuts, but Cisco stepped in to provide additional funds.
- Ron Scott reported that John Egan, former VP of Cox Business Services, is interested in working to streamline the E-Rate process.
- Dan Goodman from Cisco (reports to Phil Calzadilla) introduced himself. He is now the strategic account manager for state of Arizona. He plans to build partnerships with rural communities and other organizations in the state. He is interested in participating on the Vendor Advisory Committee. Cisco is heavily involved in the eRate process and many of eRate dollars in Arizona come from Cisco.

- → Oris will send Dan Goodman info on joining the Strategy Committee.
- Taryn Johnson of Integra Telecom will report back to her management to discuss further participation in ATIC.
- Ed Nicholson of Prescott is part of the Project 2050 visioning team for the city of Prescott. He is helping to define the Sun Corridor from Prescott to Phoenix to Tucson and Mexico. Prescott is predicted to have a population of 500,000 people by 2050. The new Mayor of Prescott, Jack Wilson, is interested in broadband development in the rural areas of Arizona.

Informational Presentation

None

Adjourn

Adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

The next ATIC Board Meeting will be on September 10, 2008, 12:00-2:00 p.m. at Lewis and Roca in downtown Phoenix.

Remaining ATIC Board & Public Meeting Dates for 2008

ATIC Board Meeting on Wednesdays from 12:00-2:00 PM

September 10, 2008
 October 8, 2008
 November 12, 2008

ATIC Public Meeting on Thursdays 2:00-4:00 PM

September 18, 2008
 November 20, 2008



ATIC Board & Public Meeting Dates for 2009

ATIC Board Meeting on Wednesdays from 12:00-2:00 PM

January 14, 2009
 February 11, 2009
 March 11, 2009
 April 8, 2009
 May 14, 2009
 June 10, 2009
 July 8, 2009
 September 9, 2009
 October 14, 2009
 November 18, 2009 – Veterans Day is on Nov 11th

ATIC Public Meeting on Thursdays 2:00-4:00 PM

February 19, 2009

April 16, 2009

June 18, 2009

September 17, 2009

November 19, 2009 -- Thanksgiving on is on Nov 26th

