



WiredWest Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 23, 2012, 6:00 PM

Hampshire Council of Governments, 99 Main Street, Northampton, MA

Called to order at 6:20. Present: Monica Webb (chair), Reva Reck, Glenn Cardinal, Steve Nelson, Kevin Cahill, Jim Drawe, and Jean Atwater-Williams (recording).

1. Approval of minutes of 10/17/2012 - tabled until next meeting due to internet connectivity issues.
2. Plan 10.27.2012 BoD meeting - EC reviewed and amended BOD Agenda, noted importance of informing board regarding support card statistics.
3. Legislative meeting plan - Monica and Jim hope to meet with Representative Steve Kulik and Ben Downing tomorrow at 3:30.
4. CIC grant proposal discussion - Jim met with Jon Hardie and his wife Becky with regard to applying for the CIC grant possibly for ISP infrastructure, financial advisor, CEO search, capacity building, etc. Reva chose not to contact Tim Dodd for a debriefing on our past CIC application (based on her conversations with Becky). Steve reiterated that he felt this was important. Monica mentioned that she had attempted to get this information on a number of occasions.

EC recessed at 8:45 p.m. Reconvened at 9:15.

5. Progress reports: Support cards, Delegate info meetings, CAI plan - support card statistics are still coming in. Need to keep focusing on lower rate towns. Also a good suggestion is to man a table at polling places on election day. Discussion ensued surrounding a mailing in Great Barrington. As those statistics would be important, WW may share some of the cost. Lanesborough is planning to do a mailing this week.
6. Town membership status updates - no new towns joining this month. Several towns are still in the process and will need to be re-voted in December. Feedback to be solicited from directors.
7. Review ongoing work, including meetings, conference calls - n/a
8. Upcoming meetings - Jim will give WW status update at FRCOG meeting on Thursday.
9. Other business which could not be reasonably foreseen - Steve brought up the efforts of the regional planning agencies to aggregate and negotiate internet service. Monica suggests we have delegates obtain and keep a copy of their town's document, if possible. Jim reviewed timelines and anticipates business plan by Jan 1, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45