



Meeting Minutes
VCFN Board of Directors Meeting
October 19, 2009 – 10:00 a.m.
Kings CED Meeting Room– Kentville, NS

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:15 by Chairman Don Clarke. Present and forming a quorum were: Bob Ashley, Don Clarke, Terry Dalton, Dale Facey, Faye Hill, Kathleen Leslie, Bruce MacDougall, Gary Meister, Janet Newton, Shirley Pineo, Cris Shirrett, Jeff Lawrence, Geoff Muttart, Terry Yuill and Hugh Simpson.

Adoption of Agenda: It was moved that the agenda be adopted as distributed. **Moved and unanimously passed.** Simpson/Facey.

Adoption of Minutes of Sept 21st, 2009: It was moved that the minutes of Sept 21st, 2009 be adopted as distributed. **Moved and unanimously passed.** Pineo/Simpson.

Business Arising from the Minutes: Mr. Clarke informed the board that he had sent a letter to the Town of Kentville and had not received a reply to it. He said that he would followup with the letter.

Mr. Dalton advised that there would be an Internet Town Hall meeting moderated by CBC at Dalhousie University on October 16th, 2009 between 7pm-9:30pm in the McGinnis Room.

Search for New Treasurer: Mr. Lawrence reported that there had been discussions with IAI as well as with VCFN legal council, Geoff Muttart. Mr. Muttart stated that the treasurer can be a staff or board member. There was general discussion about the treasurer selection at the AGM in July. Mr. Muttart suggested that a review of the minutes from the AGM was required.

Mr. Clarke stated that he did not believe that it would be too complicated from an accounting perspective nor a large work load. Ms. Newton will participate in discussions to select a new treasurer. Ms. Hill suggested that there be two signing officers for the VCFN bank account.

VCFN Operations: Mr. MacDougall presented the Operations Reports and noted that the VCFN network was 100% operational during the reporting period. Mr. MacDougall also described the testing procedure to determine the availability report. He also noted that UPS's (Uninterruptable power supplies) and cable management had been added to the equipment racks in the repeater rooms at IAI's expense, as they felt it was necessary.



Mr. Muttart asked if there was a comparison base against other networks. Mr. MacDougall responded that he did not have a basis for comparison.

Counsellor Pineo asked if some one could explain Mainland Telecom's business. The request was responded to by Mr. MacDougall. Mainland Telecom is a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) meaning that they are a small telecommunication company which provides phone data and internet services. They do this utilising VCFN's network.

Motion to Move to an In-Camera Session: A motion was introduced by Ms. Simpson to move the meeting to an in-camera session. **Moved and unanimously passed.** Simpson/Hill

Motion to resume public session: Following in-camera discussion, a motion was introduced to return the meeting to a public session. **Moved and unanimously passed.** Hill/Pineo. A motion was also made by Ms. Newton to instruct that the minutes should reflect the following resolutions arrived at during the in-camera session. **Moved and unanimously passed.** Newton/Simpson.

VCFN legal council to pursue settlement options with NSPI regarding maintenance fees as directed during the in-camera discussion.

Next Meeting: By general consensus, the next meeting will be held on Monday December 7th, 2009 at 10:00 am at the usual venue, the Kings County Economic Development boardroom.

Adjournment: The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 11:15am.

Related Documents

VCFN Board Committee Meeting Minutes September 21, 2009 – Previously Issued
Network Operations Reports – Previously Issued
Sales and Marketing Report – Previously Issued