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ATIC Board Agenda for Wednesday, May 12, 2021

1. Administrative

- 1.1. Self-Introductions
- 1.2. Modifications to and Acceptance of Agenda Draft
- 1.3. Acceptance of Minutes from April 14, 2021 Board Meeting
- 1.4. Treasurer's Report (Ron Schott)
- 1.5. ATIC Board Membership Considerations
 - 1.5.1. Annual Election of Officers
- 1.6. Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in April 14, 2021 Minutes

2. Informational Presentations

2.1. None Scheduled

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- 3.1. Arizona Broadband Strategic Plan & FirstNet (Jeff Sobotka)
 - 3.1.1. Rural Community Outreach
 - 3.1.2. FirstNet Status & Outlook
 - 3.1.3. ACA Broadband Strategy & ATIC Role/Support
- 3.2. Arizona Broadband Stakeholder Network (Steve Peters)
 - 3.2.1. AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Updates
 - 3.2.2. New Initiatives to Carry Out the Report's Recommendations
 - 3.2.3. Return to Outreach Activities with Newsletters & Webinars
- 3.3. Greater Arizona Educational Leadership (Steve Peters, Nan Williams)
 - 3.3.1. Arizona Technology in Education Association (AzTEA)
 - 3.3.2. Virtual Laboratory Simulations Consortium
 - 3.3.3. GAZEL Innovative Learning Collaborative Initiatives
- 3.4. Arizona State Library (Holly Henley, Mala Muralidharan)
- 3.5. Telehealth (Janet Major, Jeff Sobotka)
- 3.6. Government Affairs (Mike Keeling, Mark Goldstein)

4. Information and Action Plans

- 4.1. ATIC Website & Teleconferencing (All)
 - 4.1.1. AZBSN Communications & Newsletter
- 4.2. ATIC Mailing List & CRM (All)
- 4.3. New Business and Motion Considerations (All)

5. Events Attended and Upcoming Meetings

- 6. Announcements
- 7. Adjourn



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Attendees:

ATIC Board Members:

Jerry Crow, Oris Friesen, Henry Goldberg, Mark Goldstein, Kirk Busch, Derek Masseth, Ian Hathcock, Ron Schott, Holly Henley, Michael Cohen, Janet Major, Andrew Bevington, Nan Williams and Andy Phelan.

ATIC Associates & Guests:

Steve Peters (AZBSN & GAZEL), Mala Muralidharan (Arizona State Library), Tom Tardy (GingerSec) and Jim Soudriette (Galaxy Group).

Quorum Met with 14 ATIC Board Members Present (Quorum = 8)

Many thanks to Nan Williams and the Arizona Technology in Education Association (AzTEA, http://aztea.org/) for the use of their Zoom Video account for video conferencing and dial-in capabilities and to the Arizona State Library for providing additional support.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 9, 2021, and will be held fully virtually, as will all our meetings until further notice. The full schedule of remaining ATIC Board Meetings for 2021 can be found towards the end of these minutes.

ATIC Board Meeting Minutes May 12, 2021

1. Administrative

1.1. Self-Introductions

See the list of attendees above.

1.2. Modifications to and Acceptance of Agenda Draft

MOTION: To accept the Agenda as submitted

MOVE: Kirk Busch SECOND: Nan Williams Passed Unanimously

1.3. Acceptance of Minutes from April 14, 2020, Board Meeting

MOTION: To accept the Minutes as submitted

MOVE: Ian Hathcock SECOND: Derek Masseth Passed Unanimously

1.4. Treasurer's Report

Ron Schott, Treasurer, circulated via email the Desert Financial Credit Union statement with account and transaction details for Board reference, which are included at the back of these Minutes. Ron reported that current funds on hand total \$13,349.34. This balance includes a \$3000 reimbursement as reported last month and another \$5000 reimbursement from GAZEL for Steve Peters' coordination of the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force from sponsorship donations to AZBSN. This completes the full reimbursement of the ATIC \$8000 loan to GAZEL for Steve's coordination of the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force.

Steve is continuing to send out an AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force sponsorship package and will be contacting other potential funders.

Mark had noted at a previous Board meeting that we must remember that AZBSN is separate from ATIC. At that time Mark stated there are three potential sources of future ATIC funding: AZBSN sponsorships, ATIC sponsorships, and ATIC grant opportunities. ATIC still needs to work out an agreement with GAZEL about how future AZBSN sponsorship funding will be shared between ATIC and GAZEL.

Mark said ATIC needs to pursue its own funding, which would include sponsorships. ATIC needs to initiate a financial campaign for sponsors and other sources of funding. There may be some pandemic-related special grants available. Mark has spoken to Kirk Busch about ATIC funding.

Steve noted in a previous meeting that the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force needs to identify what tasks from the Task Force report recommendations that it will undertake to implement, which would need funding support.

1.5. ATIC Board Membership Considerations

The election of Executive Committee officers for ATIC is generally done in April of each year. This year it is being held in May.

Mark Goldstein noted that the following officers are willing to continue in their current positions:

Mark Goldstein as Chair Henry Goldberg as Vice Chair Ron Scott as Treasurer

No other people were nominated to stand for election for these positions.

The position of Secretary is vacant and Oris Friesen has served in an acting capacity for most of the past year.

MOTION: To nominate Oris Friesen to be Secretary

MOVE: Kirk Busch

SECOND: Mark Goldstein Passed Unanimously

The position of **Lobbyist** is also vacant. Mike Keeling has served in an acting capacity for most of the past year and has agreed to continue serving in that role if no one volunteers. No volunteers have come forward to fill the ATIC Lobbyist role, so Mike Keeling will continue as acting Lobbyist. In response to a query raised at the meeting, the lobbyist is an appointed position and is not defined in the bylaws. Mark Goldstein noted that the Arizona Technology Council has a lobbyist and their interests usually coincide with ATIC interests in the broadband policy arena.

MOTION: To accept the above slate of candidates to serve as ATIC Executive Committee officers

MOVE: Derek Masseth SECOND: Janet Major Passed Unanimously

1.6. Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in April 14, 2021, Minutes

ACTION ITEM: Thanks to an introduction by Jeff Sobotka, Mark met with Dominic Pagliuca, Senior Manager of IT & Strategic Fiber at Arizona Public Service (APS) to discuss Dominic potentially becoming an ATIC Board member. Dominic is interested in participating and possibly presenting at an ATIC Board meeting on their dark fiber portfolio, but he is not ready to commit to joining the Board.

This item is closed.

ACTION ITEM: Mark took an action to contact Alan Pruitt Executive Director of the Western Arizona Economic Development District in Yuma as a potential Board Member.

This item remains open for another month.

ACTION ITEM: Mark took on a new action item to work with Jeff Sobotka to identify some rural representatives as potential Board Members. Mark may also talk to Gene Carl of Cox Communications and Toni Broberg of AT&T about Cox and AT&T potential ATIC Board members.

This item remains open for next month.

2. Informational Presentations

2.1. None were scheduled.

3. Activity Reports

3.1. Arizona Broadband Strategic Plan & FirstNet (Jeff Sobotka)

3.1.1. Rural Community Outreach

No report.

3.1.2. FirstNet Status & Outlook

No report.

3.1.3. ACA Broadband Strategy & ATIC Role/Support

Jeff Sobotka, State Broadband Director at the Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA), was unable to attend as he is moderating an Arizona Technology Council panel discussion on 5G technology in Arizona this afternoon.

ACA has selected a consulting firm to update the 2018 state broadband strategic plan to focus on middle-mile fiber strategy as well as communities planning for federal grants. The RFP specifies more than twenty stakeholder meetings which ATIC could help influence. The selected consulting firm will be required to deliver the results of its work 13 weeks after the contract is awarded. This will be an addendum to the 2018 state broadband strategic plan document incorporating some substantial new thinking.

The ACA Arizona Broadband Workshop Webinars being hosted by NTIA that provide guidance on federal grant writing, are continuing. The 1st Arizona Broadband Workshop was held on March 3rd with about 190 registrants, and the 2nd Arizona Broadband Workshop was held on April 7th. At the May 5th Workshop, the NTIA explained various federal government data sets and other data sources that can be used for broadband planning. There are regional technical assistance sessions following up on each of the Arizona Broadband Workshops. Arizona is the only state NTIA is working with to conduct such workshops in 2021.

Mark mentioned that the \$10 million recapitalization funding for the state Rural Broadband Development Grants program administered by the ACA (up from \$3 million in a previous budget) was included in the Governor's budget, which was announced early this year. This is moving towards approval by the Legislature and is expected to be available by July 1. The ACA is considering the grant rules for this RBDG program including the maximum grant size and the grants will be used to support broadband planning and broadband infrastructure projects in rural communities. The legislature has been considering that the RBDG program amount may be increased to \$100 million but the Governor opposes using federal stimulus funding under his purview this way so the RBDG program may remain at \$10 million. Derek met with Ben Blink of the Governor's office and seconded what Mark said. He noted that the legislature wants to make sure this money gets to rural areas and follows up on the ACA RFP for middle-mile fiber development to rural areas. Derek predicted that the legislative session will likely drag on and be unusually lengthy. Mark noted that the term "shovel ready projects" has been replaced or at least complimented by "shovel worthy projects" when funding RBDG broadband infrastructure projects.

The Governor's Office has various broadband proposals for fiscal year 2021-22, and it is important that there be bipartisan cooperation from state legislators to take advantage of federal and state grants for broadband infrastructure. ADOT deployment of state-owned fiber is progressing along I-17 from Sunset Point to Flagstaff, ADOT deployment of fiber along I-19 from Tucson to Nogales will occur soon thereafter, and funding has been proposed for deploying fiber along I-40 from Flagstaff to the California border.

Mark reported at a previous meeting that some of the \$1.9 trillion in the federal American Rescue Plan Act funding will fall into the broadband, education, and telehealth categories. Arizona will likely receive around \$7 billion in discretionary funding and the Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA) will be a key player in managing a significant portion of this which could go to broadband, fiber, education and/or telehealth initiatives.

The Sun Corridor Network (SCN) has been involved in the ADOT middlemile fiber deployment effort. Jeff is in discussions with the SCN and the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) about how to use this ADOT fiber. Derek Masseth said there is significant action taking place here on the policy front regarding highway conduit. HB 2596, the ADOT Telecommunication Facilities Installation bill has been signed by the Governor and Derek noted that rule-making will start in the next week. It authorizes the installation of fiber conduit within the right-of-way of state highways by ADOT for lease at an established fee by service providers. It allows ADOT to make available excess fiber capacity for service providers to be able to provide middle-mile fiber to reach and serve rural communities. It also allows ADOT to partner with a private entity to manage the fiber. It allows the easements to be used for broadband delivery and provides for compensation to landowners, a consideration that is derived from the rural electric co-op bill of last year. It also allows for establishing a Smart Highways Trust Fund from service provider revenues collected. This bill is a follow-on to the ADOT RFI from last year. Funding for the I-40 segment has \$33 million in the budget to deploy fiber from Flagstaff to the California border and maybe the state can share costs with private entities for deploying fiber along the eastern part of I-40.

As noted by Steve in previous meetings, Lea Márquez Peterson of the Arizona Corporation Commission is looking at repurposing the Arizona Universal Service Fund (AUSF) towards broadband for high-cost rural communities. The ACC has a docket open for AUSF modification. ATIC or the AZBSN task force can still make recommendations on how to best use AUSF funding to support broadband in rural areas. Lea made a presentation to the other ACC commissioners on this topic at their April 13-14 meeting.

3.2. Arizona Broadband Stakeholder Network (Steve Peters)

3.2.1. ASBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Updates

Steve Peters reported on the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force and noted "digital" includes not only broadband Internet access, but also devices, digital content, professional development, digital literacy and technical support. The Task Force meets every Monday morning and is attended by about 30-50 representatives from broadband service providers, technology companies, state and local government agencies, educational organizations, non-profit organizations and consultants. Steve has noted previously that updates are provided at the weekly task force meetings from the State Broadband Director at the Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA), the Arizona Department of Education (ADE), the Arizona State Library, Telehealth, the Sun Corridor Network (SCN) and the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC), and there are typically presentations made at the meetings on relevant digital access resources of significance to the task force.

The AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Report and Recommendations was published in November 2020 and is available to be forwarded to appropriate parties. There is a landing page for the Report and one for the Task Force, both of which have been updated. People can download the Report from the landing page.

As Steve noted last month, the Task Force has received \$59,000 in funding from four sponsors: Care1st Health Plan Arizona, Valley of the Sun United Way, Satellite Broadcasting & Communications Association, and Kajeet. Steve worked with Karen Ziegler, Andrew Bevington and others to generate a sponsorship funding request package for the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force. This funding request has been sent to potential AZBSN sponsors. Steve is very pleased about the funding that has come in to date from four sponsors and more is expected. The sponsors have been pleased with the task force activities and accomplishments.

Steve and Mark have been trying to cultivate partnerships for AZBSN, such as with Kimber Lanning, CEO of Local First Arizona, for broadband grant application writing by rural communities. Steve said this is consistent with our report and it is well-funded. See Local First Arizona's Arizona Economic Recovery Centre website at https://localfirstaz.com/economic-recovery-center.

As reported last month, the task force has established a device collaboration subcommittee to enable collaboration among organizations providing devices such as computers and hotspots to students and families Tracey Beal and Shereka Jackson are leading this cooperative effort to create synergies in purchasing power, minimize duplication and better serve

communities.

As the task force is moving into its next phase, an overall planning committee has been established to initiate the implementation of some of the recommendations from the task force report. Steve has summarized the task force report recommendations for the planning committee to consider. The next step is to identify what tasks need to be pursued and prioritized. The planning team consists of fifteen people, and Steve has created a webpage to support this activity. He hopes to hold meetings of this planning committee shortly.

The task force has its own Zoom account and the agenda for the Zoom Monday morning meetings has changed. One hour is not long enough with the increasing number of participants attending, so the length has been increased by fifteen minutes. To reduce the time spent on self-introductions at the beginning, that segment has been replaced by a requirement to register for the meetings with position and contact information and the registration list is then made available to all attendees in the meeting reports. Steve is issuing a weekly task force newsletter and has constructed an Updates & Events webpage on the task force website for important updates relevant to the task force activities. In lieu of the introduction segment at task force meetings Steve is planning occasional ninety-minute informal networking Zoom events, the first of which was held on April 22.

There are three potential roles the task force could play: lead new initiatives, support communications and advocacy. The highest priority project right now for the task force is organizing outreach for the new FCC Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) program. Another upcoming area of importance is taking advantage of the new FCC E-rate Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) supporting off-campus connectivity for schools and libraries.

Steve overviewed the EBB funding program that launched today which consists of \$3.2 billion nationally that provides subsidies for eligible low-income households: up to \$50 per month for broadband Internet service and up to \$75 per month for those on tribal lands, and a one-time discount of up to \$100 towards the purchase of a laptop/desktop/tablet from participating service providers. The FCC's other discount program for low-income households is Lifeline, which is ongoing and has been under-utilized due primarily to lack of awareness of the program. The AZBSN task force is organizing outreach to Arizona low-income households to get as many eligible households signed up before the program and associated funding run out since enrollment is on a first-come first-serve basis. The task force EBB outreach includes the Arizona State Library organizing libraries around the state to assist with enrolling households, and there is a major outreach activity going on in Pima County. There is an FCC webpage (https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit) explaining the program. There are

efforts to expand the EBB program's funding beyond \$3.2 billion to a longerterm program because the funding will be exhausted relatively quickly as many households enroll nationally.

Mark said that Connect Arizona has developed informative EBB content, has messaging and collateral available for download and reuse in publicizing, and has Digital Navigators standing by to assist end users in understanding and applying for their EBB benefits. Visit https://connect-arizona.com/ebb-information and help spread the work among your communities of interest!

Mark reported on two ASU projects: Lighting Up the Future and ShapingEDU.

Lighting Up the Future is being led by Lev Gonick, the CIO at ASU, and Dominic Papa at ACA and involves ASU, ACA, The Institute for Digital Progress, and the SCN. Steve and Mark recently met with them and reported that they are focused on strategy and proof of concept projects. Derek commented that their vision document is meant to facilitate discussions and workshops over the summer to spread awareness. This has been built up speedily. They are holding a kickoff webinar on May 18th followed by regional workshops. Henry expressed a sense of confusion about how their mission to address the digital divide in Arizona intersects with and possibly overlaps the recommendations of our AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force. Henry is concerned that others such as legislators and rural community officials will be confused about who is recommending what and what are they recommending. Mark and Steve will be engaging with the Lighting Up the Future Project to clarify their role in relation to our AZBSN task force.

The ASU ShapingEDU "Connecting for Work and Learning: Universal Broadband Access" initiative aims to make concrete collective progress toward a future where broadband is accessible to all. ShapingEDU is part of a national universal broadband initiative that seeks to address this urgent challenge through action-oriented resources, community engagement, and stakeholder inclusion and partnerships. The group meets weekly. Mark and Steve presented to them yesterday. They probably won't be as critical to us as Local First Arizona and Lighting Up the Future. More details can be found at https://shapingedu.asu.edu/project/universal-broadband-access-us FYI.

3.2.2. Marketing the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Report

Another ongoing need is to develop a publicity and marketing campaign for distributing the report to all the relevant organizations. A marketing committee needs to be created to plan and execute such a campaign, and the existing database of Arizona economic development leaders and

decision-makers needs to be cleaned up and expanded.

3.2.3. Return to Outreach Activities with Newsletters & Webinars

Mark mentioned at previous meetings that he would like to return to public events and engage a broader community. Steve is updating the ATIC Excel mailing list after which we may want to use Sendinblue for e-mail distributions.

3.3. Greater Arizona Educational Leadership (Steve Peters, Nan Williams)

3.3.1. Arizona Technology in Education Association (AzTEA)

Nan Williams serves on the EDTech Committee for the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) which is rewriting the Educational Technology standards this year. She is also participating in the ADE Technology Task Force on the Digital Learning Subcommittee, and she is part of the ISTE policy group on digital equity access. She has also been working with the Rural Schools Association and their Final Mile Project (https://www.finalmileproject.com/).

Nan reported that at the April Spring Conference the focus was on working with STEM in summer and looking toward the fall conference. She said that as part of the time devoted to vendors, they tried something called speed dating and it was well received. It consisted of three rotating rounds of tenminute sessions with different audiences. Each vendor spoke for seven minutes and answered questions for three minutes.

The ISTE Certification Course will be held from June 7- September 13. For details, see

http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nh997tjab&oeidk=a07e hkempaae606d58c.

The AzTEA Fall Conference is scheduled for October 23 8-3pm, and will include working sessions on twitter and social media.

3.3.2. Labster Virtual Laboratory Simulations Consortium

There was no report, but as noted in recent reports, the AZBSN Task Force recommends that a virtual laboratories consortium for the state be explored, but not necessarily be limited to Labster technology.

Mala noted at our previous meeting that the lab-science component of virtual education has been brought up frequently, so we need to re-ignite the Labster-like initiatives that were being discussed earlier.

3.3.3. GAZEL Innovative Learning Collaborative Initiatives

There was no report, but Steve has noted previously that GAZEL needs to

be reinvigorated. The GAZEL Board needs to reconstitute itself and purchase D&O insurance.

Steve intends to call a GAZEL Board meeting to discuss future plans shortly. The AZBSN task force has been the main focus of GAZEL in the past year. GAZEL is a 501(c)(3) and so can more easily attract funding from sponsors.

Work is still going on to produce a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) involving GAZEL, ATIC and AZBSN.

3.4. Arizona State Library (Holly Henley, Mala Muralidharan)

Holly Henley reported that the Arizona State Library received \$3.6 million from IMLS under the federal American Rescue Plan Act stimulus funding to help communities respond to the pandemic and support digital equity. This \$3.6 million must be spent by September 2022, and the Arizona State Library will be putting plans together on how to spend this funding among the 90 library systems in Arizona. Mala has been mostly focused on the FCC Emergency Broadband Benefit and Emergency Connectivity Fund programs.

The American Rescue Plan has provided \$3.2 billion for a new FCC Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) program to provide discounts for low-income households to purchase Internet services as well as discounts on purchases of computers. This EBB program is in addition to the existing FCC Lifeline program for low-income households, for which 75% of the households eligible have not applied.

Mala reported that enrollment in the EBB program launched today and was reported on by the media. The AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force EBB outreach team has sent out about 2000 e-mails to various organizations informing them about the EBB program, and there have been more than 1500 views of the EBB information on the Arizona State Library Connect-Arizona website in the past week. Mala also noted that many English and Spanish flyers, are available to be placed anywhere, such as retail stores, shops, etc.

The AZBSN task force EBB outreach team is led by Tracey Beal (School Connect), Ilana Lowery (Common Sense Media), Cindy Hogan (United Way of Tucson & Southern Arizona), Nicole Umayam (Arizona State Library) and Mala. The Arizona State Library Connect-Arizona website contains detailed information on the EBB program and provides navigators to assist households in enrolling.

Mala also commented on a Boston Consulting Group called "Boosting Broadband Adoption and Remote K–12 Education in Low-Income Households," which has produced an interesting report pointing out that there are four factors which inhibit enrollment in No-Cost service programs and limit internet adoption:

- -- Low program awareness
- -- Lack of clarity about the offerings and processes
- -- Lack of trust in the available services
- -- Structural limitations

The report goes on to offer four steps that can improve outcomes:

- -- Strengthen communications
- -- Adapt the program's design
- -- Expand support
- -- Conduct ongoing research

Mala urged everyone to please keep promoting EBB and sending out information.

She also noted that the FCC Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) to support offcampus connectivity rules were released last night but some of them need more clarification, and she presented a summary of these draft rules to the AZBSN task force. The ECF is a new \$7.1 billion initiative included in the American Rescue Plan. The program will provide funding directly to schools and libraries to connect students, staff and library patrons when they are not on school/library campus. It is a new application process for applying for E-rate to the Home and other off-campus funding. One of the main rule changes is that the two-windows process for applying for reimbursement for prior purchases and upcoming purchases was modified to be one window from July to September for the upcoming school year, and there may be a 2nd window to reimburse prior purchases if funds remain. Also the original version requiring schools to do a needs analysis of students requesting Internet service and devices did not cover libraries, but now it does require libraries to get a signature from patrons documenting that they have a real need and cannot afford such a device. Priority is given to rural areas first. The \$7.1 billion allocated to the ECF may not be sufficient to meet all the needs. Funds for Learning analyzed the ECF funding. concluding the demand for the funding may exceed the needs because it only provides \$117 per student or \$23,000 per library branch. SHLB will be conducting a webinar on ECF rules, which Steve will inform the AZBSN task force about.

Nicole Umayam and Mala are continuing work on updating the content for the www.connect-arizona.com website, in English and in Spanish, thereby expanding on the existing LibTAP program for technical support. Five Digital Navigators who are working across the State have been recruited and trained to provide tech support as a part of the digital inclusion process (e.g., home connectivity, devices, and digital skills) through one-on-one support and repeated interactions as needed. Two of the Navigators are Spanish speakers.

Mala noted in a previous meeting that \$53 million is being provided to the Navajo Nation under the E-rate program, to install 600 miles of fiber optic lines to sixty chapter houses and fifty-three Head Start facilities. The Navajo Nation is

working on a timeline for installing fiber, and are scheduling the order of installation at each chapter house. This connectivity will be provided completely at no cost to the Navajo Nation. Providers include Sacred Wind, Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA) and Choice NTUA Wireless. The Arizona State Library is providing training to the library staff at these chapter houses.

3.5. Telehealth (Janet Major)

Janet, who is now the lead for the Telehealth Broadband Action Team (BAT) reported that the omnibus telehealth bill HB 2454 was signed last week by the Governor. You can view Governor Ducey's announcement on signing the telehealth omnibus bull at

https://azgovernor.gov/governor/news/2021/05/governor-ducey-signs-legislation-dramatically-expand-telehealth. This is a groundbreaking telehealth bill that is leading-edge in the nation.

Janet announced the American TeleMedicine Association Annual Conference which will be held on every Tuesday and Thursday in June. She also reported that the 47th Annual Arizona Rural Health Conference in Flagstaff will be a hybrid conference on June 15-16, 2021. For details see https://crh.arizona.edu/calendar/RHC-2021.

Janet would like to host a training seminar for EBB navigators and maybe get service providers to participate and cooperate. Steve said Cindy Hogan, Ken Zambos and Marcelino Flores are meeting this afternoon to plan for such navigator training in Pima County. Steve commended Marcelino Flores for this and all the EBB outreach work he is doing in Pima County. Kirk suggested branding these navigator trainings as hands-on workshops, rather than webinars, so they will be better received. These workshops could be recorded and promoted as replays that are available. Steve invited Kirk and Janet to attend this afternoon EBB navigator planning meeting, and added that navigators need to be trained on how to sign households up for EBB. Henry suggested that Steve speak with Tracey Beal to discuss with Janet and others how to launch a coordinated EBB navigator training program effort as part of the AZBSN task force EBB outreach team's work.

Mala commended the publicity work that Wildfire is doing in promoting EBB and introducing them to the Connect-Arizona EBB information. Henry asked Mala if there is an Arizona list of Lifeline subscribers since they are all eligible for EBB. Mala responded that the FCC is not sending EBB information to Lifeline subscribers, but Cox is doing that. There is talk about the possibility of adding more funding for the EBB program so it becomes a long-term program like Lifeline.

3.6. Government Affairs (Mike Keeling, Mark Goldstein)

Mark said broadband remains a dominant theme for the federal government and we hope that more money will be coming in, such as state block grants for broadband. It feels a lot like it did in 2009-2010 during the Obama stimulus funding.

4. Information and Action Plans

4.1. ATIC Website & Teleconferencing (All)

As noted previously by Mark and Steve, the ATIC website is aging a bit. For example, the resources page is out of date. The website needs to be leveraged to publicize the COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Report recommendations as well as using it for communications and public engagement, such as newsletters.

4.1.1. AZBSN Communications & Newsletter

Mark at a previous meeting suggested that we should think about how to leverage some of the information sessions from the Monday morning AZBSN-COVID meetings.

There remains a continuing need for volunteers to work

- (1) on regular maintenance of the Weebly ATIC website and
- (2) on providing a regular newsletter about all that's going on in the broadband world.

4.2. ATIC Mailing List & CRM (All)

Steve is discussing with Mark and Kirk Busch subscribing to a CRM/E-mail management service to meet the needs of the AZBSN task force.

4.3. New Business and Motion Considerations (All)

Nothing to report.

- 5. Events Attended and Upcoming Meetings
- 6. Announcements
- 7. Adjourn

Upcoming ATIC Board Meetings

Upcoming ATIC Board Meetings for 2021 are scheduled for the second Wednesdays of the month (except August and December) from 12:00-2:00 p.m. and will be held fully virtually until further notice. Board Meetings are open for all to participate. Please plan to join us.

- June 9, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- July 14, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- No Board Meeting in August (Summer Break)
- September 8, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- October 13, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- November 10, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- No Board Meeting in December (Happy Holidays!)

ATIC Special and Public Meetings

AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force continues to hold meetings every Monday morning at 7:30 a.m. See the Planning page at https://www.arizonatele.org/covid19-planning.html for details.

Also see Task Force information and related resources at https://www.arizonatele.org/covid19-about.html.

Future AZBSN newsletter, webinars, and roundtables are under development











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04/12/21	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$25.81	\$828.22
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02/10/21	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$27.17	\$881.69
01/22/21	DRAFT #2216 TRACER 34848688	-\$445.79	\$908.86
01/12/21	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$27.17	\$1,354.65
12/23/20	DRAFT #2215 TRACER 34216767	-\$800.00	\$1,381.82
12/11/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$26.91	\$2,181.82
11/27/20	DRAFT #2214 TRACER 33656699	-\$800.00	\$2,208.73
11/25/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	\$2,000.00	\$3,008.73
11/10/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$28.40	\$1,008.73
10/13/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$26.91	\$1,037.13
10/05/20	DRAFT #2213 TRACER 32551935	-\$800.00	\$1,064.04
10/02/20	DRAFT #2212 TRACER 32526978	-\$800,00	\$1,864.04
09/10/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$28,52	\$2,664.04
09/08/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	\$2,000.00	\$2,692.56
08/26/20	DRAFT #2211 TRACER 31778969	-\$800.00	\$692.56
08/11/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$28.04	\$1,492.56
07/27/20	DRAFT #2210 TRACER 31140346	-\$800,00	\$1,520.60

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Posted Transactions (89)

DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BALANCE
05/11/21	DEPOSIT CHECK	\$5,000.00	\$12,571.68
04/30/21	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.62	\$7,571.68
03/31/21	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.44	\$7,571.06
03/26/21	DEPOSIT CHECK	\$3,000,00	\$7,570.62
02/28/21	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.35	\$4,570.62
01/31/21	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.39	\$4,570.27
12/31/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.39	\$4,569.88
11/30/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.22	\$4,569.49
11/25/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER TO 0400	-\$2,000.00	\$4,569.27
11/18/20	DEPOSIT	\$6,254.35	\$6,569.27
10/31/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.03	\$314.92
09/30/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0,06	\$314.89
09/08/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER TO 0400	-\$2,000.00	\$314.83
08/31/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.20	\$2,314.83
07/31/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.30	\$2,314.63
07/20/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER TO 0400	-\$2,000.00	\$2,314.33
07/10/20	CD PENALTY REFUND	\$33.27	\$4,314.33
06/30/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.19	\$4,281.06
06/17/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER TO 0400	-\$2,000.00	\$4,280.87
06/16/20	DEPOSIT	\$6,139.96	\$6,280.87
05/31/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.04	\$140.91
05/29/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER TO 0400	-\$400.00	\$140.87
04/30/20	DEPOSIT DIVIDEND	\$0.07	\$540.87
04/21/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER TO 0400	-\$500.00	\$540.80