ATIC Board Agenda for Wednesday, November 9, 2022

1. **Administrative**
   1.1. Self-Introductions
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       1.5.1. ATIC Broadband Providers Working Group Meeting & Next Steps
   1.6. Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in October 12, 2022 Minutes

2. **Informational Presentations**
   2.1. None Scheduled

3. **Activity Reports**
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   3.4. Arizona State Library (Holly Henley, Mala Muralidharan)
   3.5. Telehealth (Janet Major)
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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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ATIC Board Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2022

Attendees:

ATIC Board Members:

Jerry Crow, Oris Friesen, Mark Goldstein, Nan Williams, Kirk Busch, Ron Schott, Holly Henley, Manny Villa, Heather Floyd, Henry Goldberg, Andy Phelan, Erin Carr-Jordan, Janet Major and Laura Etter (Proxy for Derek Masseth).

ATIC Associates & Guests:

Sandip Bhowmick (Assistant Broadband Director, Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA)), Steve Peters (AZBSN Coordinator), Germaine Pesquiera (Enterprise Account Executive, Alluvion Communications), Mala Muralidharan (E-rate Administrator, Arizona State Library), Megan Hammond (Library Development Administrator, Arizona State Library), Patrick Brown (Assistant Director, Academic and Research Technologies Group, in Eller College of Management, University of Arizona), Lena Fowler (Coconino County Supervisor), EJ John (Policy Research Analyst, American Indian Policy Institute (AIPI), Arizona State University), Nicole Umayam (Arizona Broadband Liaison Federal Program Officer (FPO), NTIA), Vaughn Croft (Senior Program Director, Office of the Pima County School Superintendent, and Business Community Liason, Fred Acosta Job Corps Center) and Helen Costello (Deputy CIO, Coconino County)

Quorum Met with 14 ATIC Board Members Present (Quorum = 9)

A replay of the meeting is available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_-BvIURICtc

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, January 11, 2023, virtually. The schedule of ATIC Board Meetings for 2023 can be found towards the end of these minutes.

1. **Administrative**

   1.1. Self-Introductions

   See the list of attendees above.

   1.2. Acceptance of Agenda Draft

   MOTION: To accept the Agenda as modified

   MOVE: Henry Goldberg
   SECOND: Jerry Crow
   Passed Unanimously

   1.3. Acceptance of Minutes from October 12, 2022, Board Meeting
   Mark said a missing link to the Arizona Technology Council 2023 Public Policy Guide needs to be added to the paragraph in Section 3.6 of the distributed copy of the Minutes.

   MOTION: To accept the Minutes as modified by Mark

   MOVE: Nan Williams
   SECOND: Erin Carr-Jordan
   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. Current funds on hand total $10,258.45.

   Steve Peters' reported that we have $13,000 in the GAZEL AZBSN Task Force account. Gazel is used to manage the finances for AZBSN. GAZEL received a $5000 sponsorship contribution from Karen Ziegler's consulting firm. Steve has launched a sponsorship drive to raise further funding (https://www.arizonatele.org/funding-request-2020.html) and needs to become more active in securing some sponsorship renewals and new sponsorships by the end of the year.

   Mark has commented that 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 to support and undertake new projects. Mark noted that in the past ATIC has been paid to host rural broadband workshops, and has pursued various projects when it had more funds.

1.5. ATIC Board Membership Considerations

Mark reported that Derek Masseth and Laura Etter, Assistant Director at Sun Corridor Network (SCN), have requested that Laura be made the primary representative for the SCN and Derek will assume the role of proxy when Laura is absent. Mark will add SCN to the agenda under Section 3.1 for regular reports in the future.

MOTION: To nominate Laura Etter to become a Member of the ATIC Board.
    MOVE: Mark Goldstein
    SECOND: Oris Friesen
    Passed Unanimously

Oris will ask Laura to submit a brief bio and photo for inclusion on the ATIC website.

Mark again noted that we have an ongoing interest in acquiring more representation from rural communities and tribal organizations. Toward that end he has invited Germaine Pesquiera of Alluvion Communications, a subsidiary of Gila River Telecom, to become a board member.

MOTION: To nominate Germaine Pesquiera **to become a Member of the ATIC Board.**
    MOVE: Mark Goldstein
    SECOND: Oris Friesen
    Passed Unanimously

Oris will ask Germaine to submit a brief bio and photo for inclusion on the ATIC website.

Mark also asked Nicole Umayam of NTIA and Sandip Bhowmick of the ACA State Broadband Office if they were interested in becoming board members. They both replied they need to ensure that their respective organizations would allow such membership since there may be conflict-of-interest issues. Jeff Sobotka, who has been representing the State Broadband Office at ACA, will be removed from the ATIC Board membership. Steve Peters noted that Sandip and Nicole will give updates on their activities at AZBSN Task Force meetings.

Mark was going to ask PJ Way to become a member but he has left his position at Coconino County. Mark said he would welcome Supervisor Fowler or Helen Costello of Coconino County joining the ATIC Board if they are interested

1.5.1. ATIC Broadband Provider Working Group Meeting and Next Steps

As reported previously, an outcome of the January 2022 ATIC Board meeting was to create an ATIC Broadband Provider Working Group whose

function would be provide a platform for providers to share information, meet & network, and engage on policy issues since there is no telecom service provider trade association in Arizona. The goal of this working group is to focus on addressing common issues and opportunities for the broadband service providers in Arizona. So far, broadband providers have expressed interest in exchange of information and possible formation of partnerships. The group was launched on April 6, 2022 with a hybrid gathering hosted at Big Data Southwest's DataCenter & SmartCity IoT Infrastructure Summit as they will again later this January (see below).

The participants advocated for a semi-private forum to exchange information and expressed a preference for asynchronous communication. Slack was suggested as a possible communication medium for this.

Mark has started a Slack channel populated with a list of about 160 provider representatives from his spreadsheet. Mark intends to launch that channel prior to the holidays.

The Working Group will also convene a hybrid synchronous meeting at the upcoming Big Data Southwest's DataCenter & SmartCity IoT Infrastructure Summit (#USDC23, https://www.bigdatasw.org/) the afternoon of Thursday, January 26, 2023, at the Desert Willow Conference Center in Phoenix. Details will be sent out to the Broadband Providers Working Group contacts.

At the previous ATIC board meeting there was considerable discussion concerning Janet Major's suggestion that ATIC convene meetings to host county groups, etc. This led to a lengthy discussion among PJ Way, Erin Carr-Jordan, Jim Dilettoso, Corey Chtistians, and Kirk Busch about possible avenues that ATIC could follow. Mark suggested that ATIC could go beyond just the counties and include other economic development groups as well.

The decision was made that Mark will create parallel slack channels for two working groups: The Broadband Providers Working Group (mentioned above) will focus on concerns of the communications providers, as initially planned. The second group will deal with topics and issues of economic development that include localized concerns as well as those that transcend county boundaries.

1.6. Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in July 13, 2022, Minutes

ACTION ITEM - Mark had an Action Item to contact Robert Gallegos, the IT/Security Director for the Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG) and Joy Whiting, Apache County Schools Superintendent who participates in the AZBSN task force to sound them out about joining the board.

This Action Item remains open.

2. **Informational Presentations**

   2.1. None were scheduled.

3. **Activity Reports**

   3.1. Arizona Broadband Office Report

   3.1.1. Rural Community Outreach & Projects

   No report.

   3.1.2. ACA Broadband Strategy & ATIC Role/Support

   In the wake of Jeff Sobotka resigning as State Broadband Director at the Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA), Sandip Bhowmick reported on State Broadband Office (https://www.azcommerce.com/broadband/) activities. He said the main action is focused on defining the structure of the new office and identifying working partners. The ACA will be issuing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to Identify consultants to ACA for (1) the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program planning, (2) Digital Equity planning and (3) broadband mapping activity. The office is looking to approve multiple partners and will probably select three different vendors, one for each of the three categories. Multiple new staff will also be hired for the State Broadband Office.

   Mark asked about the status of the $192 million for new ABDG awards from the U.S. Treasury funding. Sandip said they are waiting for the release of those funds from Treasury. After that happens the office will define how it is to be used. Arizona is not unique in this regard, as all states are waiting for the money from Treasury to be disbursed.

   Steve noted that the new State Broadband Director position is for a Vice President of Infrastructure and State Broadband Director. He and Janet would like to see a higher profile for broadband specifically. Sandip stated that this position is similar to Jeff's position with about 80% of the work being for broadband and the remainder for other related areas dependent on broadband such as smart cities

   With respect to the middle-mile project, Sandip reported I-17 and I-19 are completed from Flagstaff to Nogales, I-40 West from Flagstaff to California is in progress and ACA/ADOT have issued an RFP for an OMC (Operations, Maintenance and Commercialization) vendor for the middle-mile program.

Mark asked if Sandip sees a role for ATIC and other partners and if there is movement toward creating a Board of Advisors for the State Broadband Office. Sandip said we will know more in two to three weeks, after a new State Broadband Director is selected. But he definitely sees a role for ATIC, AZBSN and the Digital Equity Institute going forward as work progresses on the five-year BEAD and Digital Equity plans and longer-term activities. Janet Major asked if there will be a physical location for the State Broadband Office, and commented that ACA will remain the conduit to the Governor on these issues. Sandip replied that the State Broadband Office will be located at the ACA, and they will be identifying consultants to work with them. Sandip added that the Digital Equity Institute has been helping with the Digital Equity Act planning application, but they are issuing an RFQ to identify the best partners for BEAD, Digital Equity, and Broadband Mapping going forward.

Mark asked Laura Etter if she had anything to report on the Sun Corridor Network (SCN). Mark will add SCN to the ATIC regular agenda under Section 3.1 going forward. Laura said SCN is beginning to work with ASU and the Digital Equity Institute on the recently-awarded $35 million Maricopa County Digital Equity Initiative grant. She also referred to the Maricopa County Connective task force that focuses on developing a smart region for cities and towns within Maricopa County (see https://www.greaterphxconnective.com/). SCN will lead this task force in the future to identify community anchor institutions and develop relevant plans for what should be done. As has been noted in the past, SCN also plans middle-mile fiber deployment for ADOT, and has worked on wireless Internet service for homes in the Isaac School District in Phoenix.

3.2. Arizona Broadband Stakeholder Network (Steve Peters)

3.2.1. ASBSN Digital Access Task Force Updates

Steve Peters, AZBSN Coordinator, said there are two priority organizational items that he needs to address in the coming months. They are:
(1) Reconvene the leadership team for AZBSN to define its goals and objectives.
(2) Reconstitute the GAZEL Board, which is important because GAZEL manages the funding for AZBSN.

Regarding potential tasks that should be considered, cybersecurity is a critical topic for end users who are receiving devices and Internet access that they need to use safely. The nascent cybersecurity team Steve has begun to put together includes Ryan Murray, Deputy Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) of Arizona Homeland Security. He is already working on supporting school districts and libraries. Paul Kealey at the University of Arizona Information Assurance and Security Education Center is another

party interested in being involved and would like to help put together the cybersecurity team. Brian Daly, Assistant Vice President for Standards and Industry Alliances for AT&T, who chairs a GSMA (Global System for Mobile Communication Association) North American fraud & security group for wireless security would also like to be involved.
Will McCullen of Pima Community College is another potentially key player.

Steve said the broadband provider group that Mark is working with should be asked what they are doing in the realm of cybersecurity for the users.

Manny Villa, EJ John and Germaine Pesquiera echoed the critical importance of cybersecurity. EJ is also interested in the associated areas of data sovereignty and control for tribes. The importance of cybersecurity was also mentioned by Mala Muralidharan, who noted that SHLB and the American Library Association (ALA) have been trying for several years to have it placed on the E-rate eligible services list. However the FCC has not done that. Steve observed that the ACA and the Broadband Director may need to get involved to secure state or private funding for cybersecurity in Arizona schools and libraries. Sandip took note of Steve's suggestion.

Beyond the cybersecurity area, Steve would also like AZBSN to bring together the communities who have received broadband funding at the federal, state and county levels to facilitate the exchange of information on best practices and challenges. He has spoken at length about this with PJ Way and others.

AZBSN will also provide input to the BEAD and Digital Equity planning projects after the tasks are identified and the leadership team has had a chance to define appropriate roles.

3.2.2. AZBSN Leadership Group & New Initiatives

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)

Nan Williams serves as Executive Director of AzTEA (https://aztea.org/) and sits 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 Arizona Rural Schools Association and their Final Mile Project (https://www.finalmileproject.com/).

Nan reported on the very successful AzTEA Fall Conference held on October 29 at the ASU Chandler Innovation Center.

The next event will be the STEM Unconference on January 28, 2023.

The CIO & CTO Conference will be held on March 3, 2023.

3.3.2. GAZEL Innovative Learning Collaborative Initiatives

The GAZEL Board hasn't met since late last year and needs reactivation and refreshing to further operationalize GAZEL. The Board still needs to acquire D&O insurance for good governance and proper protections.

Work to produce a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between GAZEL and ATIC on the AZBSN has been on hold and a determination should be made about whether this is still necessary and if so, how to accomplish.

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

Mala Muralidharan, E-rate Administrator for Public Libraries at the Arizona State Library, reported on E-rate and Arizona State Library activities.

Regarding E-rate applications, Mala noted that the Arizona schools and libraries, which are increasingly applying together as consortia, have applied for about $120 million. To date $63.8 million has been approved. Applications for the next E-rate year beginning July 1, 2023, are open now.

She is also working on state master contracts for carriers in 2023 and 2024. The State Procurement Office needs to start this RFP process ASAP. Cybersecurity is a big issue for rural and tribal areas, and they need funding for it from from E-rate or other sources.

On October 20, a new pilot program for tribal library funding was announced. It will provide a consultant for twenty tribal libraries nationally by the FCC to support the entire three-year cycle of E-rate application processes. Mala is trying to get at least one Arizona tribal library to apply for this program.

The ACP program has been quite successful and is being widely promoted locally and nationally by the FCC with flyers and training programs. Lyle Ishida of the FCC and Lisa Gustinelli of ASU ShapingEDU have been instrumental with their assistance and support for trainers and navigators. They would like to do a digital navigators training program in Arizona in January-Feburary 2023, and want to streamline the ACP enrollment process from an average of 40 minutes to 25 minutes. Erin Carr-Jordan commented on the partnership of the Digital Equity Institute, ASU Experience Center and Common Sense on ACP enrollment, and that preliminary data indicates it was successful. It was

highlighted in a Benton Institute report and was of interest to the White House. They want to extend this model throughout the state. Steve added that in addition to training navigators the program should identify and cultivate community activists who can carry on this work after the program ends. Mala added that the AARP Foundation is providing $4000 - $10,000 grants to non-profit organizations to provide digital skills training to people so that they can use the Internet once they have the connectivity through ACP. AARP is willing to fund this for certain states, including Arizona, and is urging non-profits to apply by November 30.

Mala mentioned the discussions at the recent SHLB conference, held in Virginia, on FCC mapping and the unavailability of the new maps at no charge for broadband and digital equity organizations. The question of charging for the use of the maps was roundly criticized. This remains an open question. Later an FCC spokesman said that these maps would be available at no cost to government entities and service providers to challenge their accuracy.

For more details, see the State Library Report below, submitted by Mala

ATIC Board November 9, 2022, Mala's State Library Report

1. **E-RATE**

- For 2022 -AZ Schools and Libraries applied for S120 M - and so far in the first 29 waves about 63.8
  Million has been committed
- The window to file FCC form 470 or the RFPs are open and will stay open till approximately March 2023.
- State Master Contracts for E-rate telecom ends June 30th 2023.They have decided to extend by1-year currently. Two 1-year extensions are allowable under the original contract.
- **Cyber attacks** Still a problem in several school districts all over the country including tribal areas.
- **New Pilot Program for Tribal Libraries Announced** Tribal Libraries E-Rate Pilot Program | Federal Communications Commission (fcc.gov)
  On October 20, 2022, the FCC announced a new pilot program to make it easier for Tribal libraries to apply for broadband funding through the E-rate program, which supports eligible schools and libraries.
  The pilot program will initially target 20 Tribal libraries that are new to the E-rate program or have had challenges applying in the past. One-on-one assistance will be provided regarding planning, applying for E-rate support, E-rate invoicing, and other E-rate post-commitment processes.. Applications to apply in the new pilot program are due on November 12, 2022. For more information about the new pilot program, visit:
  https://www.fcc.gov/tribal-libraries

FY2023 Draft Eligible Services List Released -DA 22-878 - PUBLIC NOTICE
On August 22, 2022, the Federal Communications Commission issued a Public Notice
seeking comment on its proposed Eligible Services List (ESL) for Funding Year 2023. The
draft FY2023 ESL proposes no changes to product or service eligibility from the FY2022
ESL, with the Commission noting that "the Administrator and the Bureau are not
recommending any specific changes to the proposed FY 2023 eligible services list." **. The
comment cycle for the Funding Year 2022 Eligible Services List Public Notice closed on
October 12, 2021.**. SECA, SHLB ALA have all filed requesting cyber safety management
becomes e-rate eligible.
FCC has approved WiFi in school buses be eligible but the rules are yet to be approved.

- **Navajo Nation Fiber** - nothing special to report.

2. Affordable Connectivity Program **(ACP)** is an FCC benefit program that provides a
discount of up to **$30 per month** toward internet service for eligible households and up
to **$75 per month discount for households** on qualifying Tribal lands. **Eligible households
can also receive a one-time discount** of up to **$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop
computer, or table**t from participating providers if they contribute more than $10 and
less than $50 toward the purchase price. ACP is limited to one monthly service discount
and one device discount per household. Eligible households must both apply for the
program and contact a participating provider to select a service plan.
As of Nov 7ᵗʰ 326,785 households signed up . We are adding steadily about 3000
households a week thanks to promotion done by several AZBSN partners like the State
Library, Public Libraries, CommonSense Media, DES, Chicanos por la causa, are all
driving folks to sign up. The updated ACP Enrollment and Claims Tracker is located at
https://www.usac.org/about/affordable-connectivity-program/acp-enrollment-and-
claims-tracker/
ACP Media and Resource Tool Kit : Connect-Arizona.com https://connect-
arizona.com/acp . CommonSense media has also created a training kit.
A small team had a meeting with Lisa Gustenelli, Florida and Lyle Ishita from FCC on
training Navigators to assist with applications early 2023. ADIN and ASU Digital Equity
Institute is also working on outreach and assistance.

3. **ECF 7.1 Billion Which is oversubscribed**
On 2ⁿᵈ Nov FCC announced another $183 M commitment approval . So far FCC has
committed over $6.3 billion to schools and libraries across the country as part of the ECF
program. Of the funding commitments approved to date , Of this AZ has received a
commitment of over $172 M.

Click this map to view demand by state. Detailed information on the status of submitted
applications is available in the Open Data Portal.
View the current list of funding commitments approved by state (Excel file).

4. **Telehealth:** The inauguration of the Pilot Telehealth Project was held on Oct 1ˢᵗ from
9am-12 pm at the Arivaca School House.

- There was a demonstration of the Telehealth service that will be available at the Ajo and Arivaca Libraries.
- Health screenings were done with a "live" doctor in Maine.
- Eye screening were done for over 30 community members.
- 33 vaccine were given.
- ACP- low cost internet was promoted More than 30 people stopped at the desk and received guidance on signing up.
- The State Libraries ' Talking Book Library' serving those that have low or no vision, veteran's who can't hold a book and children with learning difficulties.
- There were over 425 transactions at the various desks.
- Gertie Lopez Band had a performance… the Fire Dept had the helicopter.

Planning a similar Pilot at Ajo early next year.

- **I attended The Healthcare Leadership Council** (HLC) held their **Redefining American Healthcare Panel** virtually this Wednesday, 11/2/22 on telehealth best practices. Mark Goldstein was one of four presenters and featured Arizona's eminent telehealth story.

Digital Inclusion:

AARP Foundation is seeking non-profit community organizations to implement the Digital Skills Ready@50+ trainings in Arizona.
They are looking for organizations that: 1) Can each serve 75-200 people over the course of the initiative; 2) Have the capacity to deliver the trainings and track and support outcomes; 3) Share our commitment to supporting older adults; 4) Demonstrate that equity and inclusion are core to their work.

Funding is available from $4,000 to $10,000 to support training implementation. Please click here to complete an application. ***The initiative is only available to organizations in the following states: Arizona, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Texas.*** **Please note, this initiative is not open to for-profit companies. Deadline for application is November 30, 2022.** Questions? Email digitalskillsready@aarp.org

SHLB Annual conference Oct 12-15 Crystal City VA A number of policy issues were discussed Tribal Connectivity, USF, Digital adoption, Telehealth, Navigator recruitment and training, Partnerships and collaborations

FCC Mapping Fabric: **Panel on Mapping, FCC Confirms No Charges for Access to Fabric**
Senior counsel for the FCC's Broadband Data Task Force, and telecommunications policy specialist for the NTIA's Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth, discussed broadband mapping and funding issues at SHLB Conference. They were asked questions regarding the licensing agreements that will govern access to the **national broadband map's fabric's data. They mentioned that there will be a charge to access the fabric.** But later the **FCC spokesperson also said that the agency will make broadband fabric data available soon, at no**

cost, to state and local and Tribal governments, and to internet service providers, who <u>may need to challenge its accuracy</u>.

The fabric is a location-level broadband dataset created by contractor **CostQuest Associates**. It is the basis for the FCC's forthcoming national broadband map, which will in turn determine the allocation of BEAD funding to states.

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3.5. Telehealth (Janet Major)

Janet Major, Associate Director for Innovation and Digital Health, Arizona Telemedicine Program and Southwest Telehealth Resource Center (https://telemedicine.arizona.edu/), is the lead for the Arizona Telehealth Broadband Action Team (BAT).

Janet reported that this is National Distance Learning Week. Related to that she will be presenting, along with Dr. Alan Pitt, at a virtual telemedicine conference involving several southern Arizona organizations from Tucson Medical Center, Benson, Sierra Vista and elsewhere.

The University of Arizona Telemedicine Program is also producing a telemedicine policy summit. Additional information can be found at https://crh.arizona.edu/events/arizona-rural-public-health-policy-forum.

Also on January 31 the state rural and public health policy forum will be held at the Virginia G. Piper auditorium at the University of Arizona downtown Phoenix campus. Janet urged ATIC and its members to consider using that venue for telehealth events in the future,

The telehealth in libraries national group, including Holly, Mala and Janet, meets regularly to share best practices and challenges. Janet and Mala hope to present to them in the near future to discuss access to healthcare in Arizona public libraries. The Arizona State Library has also been providing funding for health kiosks and privacy spaces for libraries. The Benson library is already providing telehealth services on a regular basis.

3.6. Government Affairs (Mike Keeling, Mark Goldstein)

Mark mentioned that the Arizona Technology Council (AZTC) 2023 Public Policy Guide of state and federal policy recommendations has been released and is available for download at https://www.aztechcouncil.org/public-policy/.

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 Digital Access Task Force 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)

ATIC vs. AZBSN Roles and AZBSN Governance.

At a previous meeting Mark reminded everyone of the issue raised by Janet recently concerning AZBSN governance and oversight. Since Janet is not present today this will be moved to the October meeting agenda. Henry mentioned that Janet was concerned about the definition of roles for ATIC as opposed to AZBSN. For ease of reference, below is a copy (in blue text) of Janet's concerns as documented at the June meeting:

Janet would like to discuss the future role of ATIC. Janet feels AZBSN is subordinate to ATIC but that ATIC "has been 'lost' in the shuffle - and that all expertise is not 'owned' by AZBSN. Does ATIC still want to be an authority and resource for the general public? Does AZBSN want to be an affiliate of ATIC? Or continue the outreach work of ATIC as telecom experts under the name of AZBSN?" Cybersecurity is one of the five pillars of digital equity on which AZBSN is focusing. Should ATIC also deal with cybersecurity? Kirk suggested that maybe we need to define the roles more specifically but it is important to build on the established AZBSN brand to avoid confusion. Mark agreed with Janet and Kirk that we should consider better defining the ATIC roles, and ATIC

is creating a new broadband provider working group. Mark noted that AZBSN is a partnership of ATIC and GAZEL, but GAZEL no longer has an active Board. Steve noted that digital equity, including cybersecurity, will be a key mission for AZBSN. Mark commented that ATIC may partner with ACA on rural outreach and with the Arizona Telemedicine Program on telehealth events in the future.

Also at a previous meeting Mark added that we did start to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in 2020 and the Executive Committee held several meetings on this topic. One of the decisions that was made was to let the finances of AZBSN operate under the management of GAZEL. However, the GAZEL Board has not met for some time and is not effectively acting in an operational capacity. Kirk Busch asked about the state of the draft MOU and Mark said he would send him a copy.

5. **Events Attended and Upcoming Meetings**

Ron reported that the Arizona Technology Council and the Arizona Commerce Authority held their Governor's Celebration of Innovation (GCOI) on Election Day, November 8.

The Arizona Technology Council and Arizona Cyber Threat Response Alliance (ACTRA) will hold their 7th annual Cybersecurity Breakfast Forum on Thursday, December 7 from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM at Venue 8600 in Scottsdale. Details and registration ($30 members/$45 non-members) at https://www.aztechcouncil.org/event/cyberforum2022/.

6. **Announcements**

7. **Adjourn**

Upcoming ATIC Board Meetings

Upcoming ATIC Board Meetings for 2023 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.

- **January 11, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **February 8, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **March 8, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **April 12, 20232 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **May 10, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **June 14, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **July 12, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **No Board Meeting in August (Summer Break)**
- **September 13, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **October 11, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **November 8, 2023 from 12:00-2:00 pm**
- **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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Accounts ⚙

Checking	$695.09
ATIC 434041 04081-0400	A $695.09 $695.09
Savings	$9,563.36
ATIC 073206 04081-0000	A $9,563.36 $9,588.36

A   Available Balance

Important Information

How to Still Have Fun on a Budget
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Posted Transactions (57)

DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BALANCE
10/11/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$26.61	$695.09
09/12/22	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	$500.00	$721.70
09/12/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$25.51	$221.70
08/10/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$25.40	$247.21
07/22/22	DRAFT #2223 TRACER 46098424	-$400.00	$272.61
07/14/22	DRAFT #2222 TRACER 45948991	-$21.60	$672.61
07/12/22	DRAFT #2221 TRACER 45886391	-$924.00	$694.21
07/12/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$25.63	$1,618.21
06/30/22	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	$1,000.00	$1,643.84
06/10/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$26.15	$643.84
05/11/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$25.40	$669.99
04/12/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$25.63	$695.39
03/15/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$26.04	$721.02
02/10/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$26.04	$747.06
01/12/22	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	$500.00	$773.10
01/11/22	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$25.81	$273.10
12/13/21	DEPOSIT CHECK	$20.00	$298.91
12/13/21	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-$26.18	$278.91
11/17/21	DRAFT #2220 TRACER 40989212	-$20.00	$305.09