

Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Draft Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 21, 2021
700 W Jefferson, Boise, ID 83702

Virtual

2:00pm –2:30pm

Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Members

Chairman, Rep. John Vander Woude, *Idaho Legislator (Z)*
Vice Chair Sen. Carl Crabtree, *Idaho Legislator (Z)*
Sen. David Nelson, *Idaho Legislator (Z)*
Sen. Doug Ricks, *Idaho Legislator (Z)*
Rep. Megan Blanksma, *Idaho Legislator*
Rep. Barbara Ehardt, *Idaho Legislator (Z)*
Mitch Watkins, *Watkins Distribution (Z)*
Margie Watson, *JC Watson & Company (Z)*
Andrew Emerson, *MH Solutions (Z)*

Idaho Commerce Staff

Tom Kealey, *Director Idaho Commerce (Z)*
Jake Reynolds, *Business Development and Operations Administrator (Z)*
Eric Forsch, *Broadband Development Manager (Z)*
Ewa Szewczyk, *Grants and Contracts Manager (Z)*
Holly Stevenson, *Grants and Contracts Analyst (Z)*
Cathy Perry, *Grants and Contracts Analyst (Z)*

(Z) denotes via Zoom

Call to Order:

Chairman Rep. John Vander Woude called the meeting to order at 2:03pm with a quorum present.

2:05pm Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 15th Meeting

Motion: Vice Chair Carl Crabtree, Second, Senator David Nelson

All in Favor: Motion Passes

2:06pm Discussion and Approval of ByLaws

Motion: Representative Blanksma to accept changes and amendments to Bylaw. Second Margie Watson

All in Favor: Motion Passes

2:15pm: Discussion of Interim Plan and Next Steps

Motion: Vice Chair Crabtree, Second, Senator David Nelson Board Approved Interim Plan as presented to hire strategic consulting firm by and direct \$10,000 to be moved from the Idaho Broadband Fund from Trustee and Benefits to Operating Expenses for hiring of strategic consultant, and approve Commerce starting the procurement process for technical grant assistance.

All in Favor: Motion Passes

Adjourned: 2:30pm