



Brad Little, Governor  
Tom Kealey, Director

## Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, May 26, 2022  
Idaho Capitol Building  
Room WW53

| Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Members                    | Idaho Commerce Staff                                                          |
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| Chairman, Rep. John Vander Woude, <i>Idaho Legislator</i> | Tom Kealey, <i>Director Idaho Commerce</i>                                    |
| Vice Chair Sen. Carl Crabtree, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>    | Jake Reynolds, <i>Business Development &amp; Operations Administrator (Z)</i> |
| Sen. David Nelson, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>                | Eric Forsch, <i>Broadband Development Manager</i>                             |
| Sen. Doug Ricks, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>                  | Ewa Szewczyk, <i>Grants and Contracts Manager (Z)</i>                         |
| Rep. Megan Blanksma, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>              | Cathy Perry, <i>Grants and Contracts Analyst (Z)</i>                          |
| Rep. Barbara Ehardt, <i>Idaho Legislator (Z)</i>          |                                                                               |
| Andrew Emerson, <i>MH Solutions</i>                       |                                                                               |
| Mitch Watkins, <i>Watkins Distribution</i>                |                                                                               |
| Margie Watson, <i>JC Watson &amp; Company</i>             |                                                                               |
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| (Z) denotes via Zoom                                      |                                                                               |
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### Call to order:

Chairman Rep. John Vander Woude called the meeting to order at 9:00 am with a quorum present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 11, 2022 Meeting.

Motion by Senator Nelson: To approve meeting minutes with the name correction from Anderson to Andrew.

All in favor: motion passes

### Review of Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Plan and Public Comments

The Idaho Broadband Advisory Board revised the plan. Changes to the plan included minor rewording, correcting grammatical errors and changes proposed by public comments.

Motion by Senator Nelson: to change the vision year from 2030 to 2027 in section 4.

All in favor: Motion Passes

Motion by Senator Crabtree: To change 90% to 100% in section 4, first sentence and to remove second sentence.

All in favor: motion passes

Motion by Mrs. Watson: To accept broadband strategic plan.

All in favor: motion passes

Chairman, Rep. John Vander Woude asked the public for comments.  
No public comments were made.

**Federal Funding Overview**

Motion by Senator Crabtree: Recommendation to approve DFM submitting Grant Plan to Treasury for Capital Project Funds and Letter of Intent to NTIA for BEAD funds.

All in favor: motion passes

Motion by Mr. Walkins: To go out for procurement of technical plan by appropriate agency

Second: Mrs. Watson

All in favor: motion passes

Next meeting: June 28 at 9:00 am

11:00 am: Adjournment