



Brad Little, Governor
Tom Kealey, Director

Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Idaho Capitol Building

Room WW53

Idaho Broadband Advisory Board Members	Idaho Commerce Staff
Chairman, Rep. John Vander Woude, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>	
Vice Chair Sen. Ricks, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>	Jake Reynolds, <i>Business Development & Operations Administrator</i>
Sen. Ruchti, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>	Ramón Hobdey-Sánchez, <i>Broadband Development Manager</i>
Sen. Bernt, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>	Ewa Szewczyk, <i>Grants and Contracts Manager</i>
Rep. Megan Blanksma, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>	
Rep. Barbara Ehardt, <i>Idaho Legislator</i>	
Andrew Emerson, <i>MH Solutions</i>	
Mitch Watkins, <i>Watkins Distribution</i>	
Margie Watson, <i>JC Watson & Company</i>	
(Z) denotes via Zoom	

View/hear entire meeting A/V [here](#).

Call to Order:

Chairman Rep. John Vander Woude called the meeting to order at 10:00 am with a quorum present.

Nomination and Selection of Board Chair and Vice-Chair (action item)

Motion made by **Rep. Ehardt** to nominate Representative John Vander Woude to continue serving as Chairman for the Broadband Advisory Board.

Seconded by **Sen. Ricks**.

All in favor: Motion Passes

Motion made by **Rep. Bernt** to nominate Senator Doug Ricks to serve as Vice-Chair for the Broadband Advisory Board.

Seconded by **Rep. Ehardt**.

All in favor: Motion Passes

Idaho Office of Broadband Update

- Idaho Broadband mapping and RFP.
 - RFP closes on February 6, 2023.
- CPF update.
- RFP breakdown.

Idaho Broadband Fund Grants: Determine Proposal Evaluation Process (Action Item)

Motion made by **Rep. Blanksma** to refine project criteria based on: not eligible for CPF or BEAD funding, percentage of cash match, project timeline related to shovel readiness and middle-mile definition clarity.

Seconded by **Rep. Ehardt**.

All in favor: Motion Passes.

Next IBAB Meetings: January 25, 2023

10:45 am: Adjournment