

**GREATER AUSTIN AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS
NETWORK (GAATN)
INTERLOCAL AGENCY**

**625 East 10th Street, 6th Floor
Austin, Texas 78701**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING held on October 4, 2004 at
Lower Colorado River Authority
Shapiro Building Room 517
3701 Lake Austin Blvd
Austin, Texas**

Agenda Item No. 1:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Patrick Jordan at 1:35 p.m.

The following Board members announced as present at the start of the meeting:

John Kohlmorgan, on behalf of the Austin Independent School District
John House, on behalf of the University of Texas
Wayne Wedemeyer, on behalf of the University of Texas
Tom Lott, on behalf of the Lower Colorado River Authority
Martha Krische, on behalf of the City of Austin
Brian Kunz, on behalf of the Lower Colorado River Authority
Patrick Jordan, on behalf of the City of Austin
Walter LaGrone, on behalf of Travis County
Gray Salada, on behalf of the Austin Independent School District
Gary Weseman, on behalf of Austin Community College
Dave Kelly, on behalf of the State of Texas

GAATN Personnel present at the start of the meeting:

Ronald Roberts, Project Coordinator
Ashley Caron, Project Manager
Heidi Cottingham, Maintenance Contractor

Agenda Item No. 2:

Citizen Communication

There were no citizens present.

Agenda Item No. 3:

Approval of September 13, 2004 Board Minutes.

Gary moved to approve with a second from Wayne; the motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 4:

Discussion and possible action regarding the Board Chairperson Update.

Patrick requested that the Board watch the GAATN presentation to the Internet2 conference.

Wayne and Patrick thanked Ashley for the presentation and noted that questions may come from attendees to the conference.

Agenda Item No. 5:

Executive Session: Adjourn for closed session, under Tex Gov't Code section 551.071, to seek legal advise about pending or contemplated litigation for:

- A. Construction, equipment, and product warranty claims; and**
- B. Damage to GAATN Fiber Optic Cables, equipment, hardware, and other property, and**
- C. Contractual or Tort claims against GAATN.**
- D. Outstanding Claims for Attorney Compensations.**

Reconvene for discussion and decisions, if any, on matters considered in closed session.
There were no topics for this agenda item.

Agenda Item No 6:

Discussion and possible action regarding the financial report and budget issues.

Gray distributed the AISD financial summary and reported that there was \$972,000 left in the budget for the year. Ashley added that there was \$200,000 of that to be put toward the contributions for next year so the fund balance was going to end up being \$772,000 dollars. Ashley added that the Bolm Road project was still to come and that no extra money was left in the budget, the numbers are right at break even. Gray asked about the number to be held in the holding account and Martha and Patrick answered that it was derived at by a percentage of the network.

Agenda Item No. 7:

Discussion of and possible action regarding the Technical Subcommittee Update.

A. New Site Approval

Tom shared that the City was requesting a pop at the judicial center and Ashley added that it would be on A1N and A2N. Patrick stated it was for video adjudication, but that there may be other interest. Martha said that there was no direct connection to the judicial center and that some of travis county's conduit would need to be used. Wayne motioned to approve with a second by Patrick, the vote was unanimous.

Dave had no update on the tunnel issue at the capital. Tom stated that the Technical Subcommittee wanted Patrick to write a letter to the Toll Authority to see if their was a way for them to include conduit for GAATN. Patrick suggested a meeting with parties within the Toll Authority that could make that decision and that he would pursue contacts for a discussion.

Agenda Item No. 8:

Discussion and possible action regarding the Network Manager's update.

Ashley shared that the TxDot project at Bolm road was to proceed but that they wanted GAATN to go in first. It has been suggested that GAATN should wait until the area is cleared to go in but she would wait and see what happened.

Ashley went on to report that she received a letter from the City to inquire about relocation at 3rd street for light rail from the convention center to the waste treatment plant. Heidi quoted \$3.3 million to relocate and conform to the request made. Patrick stated that the issue would be followed and he suggested that GAATN staff attend any meetings on the topic. Wayne asked about the World Congress and was told by Patrick that the city was involved in talks but that nothing had materialized yet, he would keep alert to any procedural discussions.

Agenda Item No. 9:

Confirm date, time and location for the next regular Board meeting as November 1 , 2004 at 1:30 p.m. in room 517 of the Shapiro Building at LCRA on Lake Austin Blvd.

Time and location for next regular meeting was confirmed (November 1, 2004 at 1:30 p.m.) and the meeting was adjourned at 2:21 p.m.