

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

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

May 3, 2022 1:30 p.m.

LCRA Service Center at 3505 Montopolis, Austin, Texas 78744

Building A, Room A502/503

Teams Videoconference link provided 72 hours prior to meeting on homepage of [www.gaatn.org](http://www.gaatn.org)

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**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call:**

GAATN Board Chairman Dain Herbat called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m.

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

Anthony Breckenridge, on behalf of City of Austin (remote)

Gary Weseman, on behalf of Austin Community College (remote)

Jaime Guerra, on behalf of UT-Austin (remote)

Robert Saddler, on behalf of LCRA (remote)

Dain Herbat, on behalf of Travis County (on site)

Jon Hurley, on behalf of Austin ISD (remote)

Harold Nall, on behalf of UT-Austin (remote)

Syd Falk, GAATN attorney (remote)

Sarah Eichelberger, on behalf of GAATN (remote)

Carlos DeMatos, on behalf of GAATN (remote)

A quorum was established at roll call.

Members of the public/GAATN Contractors:

Wayne Wedemeyer, on behalf of UT-Austin (remote)

Doug Wilson, on behalf of JC Communications (remote)

Chris Gonzales, on behalf of BryComm (remote)

**2. Citizen Communications:** There were no citizen communications.

**3. Review and Approve the minutes for the regular Board Meeting of April 12, 2022**

Gary Weseman moved to approve the draft minutes as presented; Jaime Guerra seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**4. Consent Agenda Items recommended by the Technical Subcommittee at its March 22, 2022 meeting and GAATN Operational Contract Renewals**

Gary Weseman moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 4A – 4I as presented; Jon Hurley seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**A. Seeking approval for UT to purchase six strands on B1N at a cost of \$29,516.52 through the GAATN Existing Unallocated Fiber Acquisition Policy (EUFAP)**

APPROVED ON CONSENT.

**B. Seeking approval for two new UT sites on C2S and B1N at Mansfield Dam entity-specific project at no cost to GAATN**

APPROVED ON CONSENT.

**C. Seeking approval to pay FY22 annual retainage payment to Maintenance Contractor BryComm LLC**

APPROVED ON CONSENT.

**D. Seeking approval for second and final of two possible one-year renewals for GAATN Moves, Adds, and Changes agreement (AISD 18RFP112) with BryComm LLC for a term of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023**

APPROVED ON CONSENT.

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- E. Seeking approval for second and final of two possible one-year renewals for GAATN Moves, Adds, and Changes agreement (AISD 18RFP112) with JC Communications for a term of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023**  
APPROVED ON CONSENT.
- F. Seeking approval for fourth and final of four possible one-year renewals for GAATN Legal Services agreement (AISD 18RFQ097) with Bickerstaff, Heath, Delgado, Acosta LLP for a term of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 with a \$5 hourly rate increase**  
APPROVED ON CONSENT.
- G. Seeking approval for fourth and final of four possible one-year renewals for GAATN Bentley Management Services agreement (AISD 18RFP104) with Advanced 1 for a term of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 with an annual base hosting amount not to exceed \$30k**  
APPROVED ON CONSENT.
- H. Seeking approval for second of three possible one-year renewals for GAATN Fiber Purchase agreement (AISD 18RFP003) with Graybar for a term of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023**  
APPROVED ON CONSENT.
- I. Seeking approval for second of three possible one-year renewals for GAATN Fiber Purchase agreement (AISD 18RFP003) with Anixter for a term of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023**  
APPROVED ON CONSENT.

**5. Board Chairperson Update – Discussion and possible action regarding:**

**A. Update on NOCC Maintenance service level agreement between City of Austin and GAATN for maintenance of the GAATN Backup NOCC**

Sarah reported that Frank has drafted an agreement that is currently being reviewed by COA's Data Center Operations team. This agreement is expected to be brought to the June Board meeting for approval.

**B. Property damage claim against JD Abrams/Lone Star Paving for damage to C1N at IH-35 and Rutherford on 9/20/21**

Syd reported that Gunnar sent over the proposal for the permanent repair at 114-count and is waiting to hear back.

**C. Property damage claim for damage to B1N 11604 Stonehollow Drive on 10/18/21**

Sarah reported that this claim was submitted to GAATN's property insurance, the total damage was \$55k. GAATN's property deductible is \$50k. The claim was closed on 3/14/22 and there was no payout to GAATN. There will be no further updates on this claim.

**D. Property damage claim for damage to C2S FM620 and Low Water Crossing on 3/14/22**

Sarah reported that this damage totals \$15k and was caused by an individual in a truck that ran off the road and broke a GAATN pole and tore down the fiber over FM620. Management has submitted all claim documentation to the responsible party's insurance company and expects to hear something back in the next week. Management expects this claim to be paid in full.

**6. Network Manager's Update**

**A. Project status report**

Carlos reported on the following upcoming/recently completed projects:

- A2N Travis County Civil & Family Courthouse relocation – scheduled to complete 5/5
- DIR B2S TxDOT secondary new node install – completed 4/25

**B. Job budget report**

Sarah reported that management is tracking 43 jobs totaling \$1.7 million. So far for FY22, \$656k has been invoiced and \$1 million is encumbered. She also noted that GAATN received the \$376k refund from COA for the buildout of the backup NOCC. The grand total of the cost of the buildout was \$2,019,423.

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7. **Executive Session:** There was no executive session.
8. **Update Roll Call (only if executive session called):** Since there was no executive session, there was no updated roll call.
9. **Discussion and possible action regarding the financial report and current fiscal year budget issues. (AISD, 10 minutes):**
  - A. **Financial Report**

Sarah reviewed the financial report for the month ending March 31, 2022. GAATN's current fund balance is \$3.692 million inclusive of a \$2.1 million emergency set aside.
10. **Meeting and Action Items Summary**

There were no action items to report from this meeting.
11. **Confirm date, time, and location for the next regular Board meeting on June 7, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. at LCRA Service Center 3505 Montopolis Austin, TX and via Video Conference on MicrosoftTeams.**

Dain noted that John Kohlmorgan, longtime Board member of Austin ISD, announced his retirement earlier that day. Austin ISD has named his replacements as John Greiner as the primary and Jon Hurley as the alternate Board members.

The date, time and location for the next regular Board meeting were confirmed; the meeting adjourned at 2:02 p.m.