

# Minnesota Educational Technology Networks (METN)

Meeting of the Board of Directors

April 19, 2012

## Minutes

Agenda:

1. Presentation on Jabber
2. Quorum, Introductions, minutes
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Discussion Subject items
  - Legislative and other (Broadband Task Force, Online Learning)
  - Federal: Erate
  - Videoconferencing
  - Data & Tech Plans
  - Regions update and Recap
5. Adjourn

1. The meeting was convened at 9:00am

Presentation on Cisco's Jabber by Brian Giesen of Video Guidance. Jabber will be an expanded unified communications, screen sharing, and messaging platform. See:  
<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps10969/index.html>

Introductions and attendance:

Directors in attendance: Dennis Fazio, Pete Royer, Tracy Fiereck, Marc Johnson

Directors absent: none

A quorum was present.

Others attending: Dale Carrison, Glen Morris, Dale Ericson, Karen Johnson, Mary Mehsikomer, Jon Voss, Bob Wheeler, John Normandin, Steve Hallen, Melissa Cox

2. Motion by Dennis Fazio to approve Mar minutes. Carried
3. Treasurer's report is attached to the minutes. Additional memberships have come in. Motion by Pete Royer to accept Treasurer's report. Carried

### 4. Discussion Subject Items

Legislative:

Some type of bonding bill, probably small and targeted. Online learning bills in both houses.

Online learning bill came from Sen Nelson and Rep Meyer?. Neither house has an online class graduation requirement. Two very different bills. House requires some sort of digital curriculum or online component. Senate side has online course "encouragement".

Telecom Aid:

Final report sent to the METN list for review. All coordinators will respond by next Wednesday.

## Conferences

ISTE Conference in June in San Diego, several folks will attend.

Megaconference May 3

MUG/MILC MUG group working on open videoconference on Minnesota history. Students develop presentations for video presentation. MILC group discussing video connections and testing prior to the session and challenges of arranging those. Building web site for the group.

## Data & Tech Plans:

Will be a Memo from Tom Melcher of MDE to Superintendents clarifying that Tech Plans are required for Telecom Equity Aid.

Socrates: Dale Carrison brought up the idea to move the video peering point to the 511 building. Pete will talk to OET to see what that would involve.

New MDE CIO would like to come talk with us at one of our monthly meetings.

## Regional Updates

Socrates: Trying to determine what next network arrangements will look like. Interest in bonding T1 lines. Managed services being developed but dependent on how new network design is developed.

NESC: Fiber project still underway.

NW Links: Normally would be planning for RFP. Working with 702 who provided a proposal for 2.5G network at no additional cost that they will likely go forward with.

ECMECC: Mid Continent lease for fiber through 2015. Only bidder. Agreement with Pine Tech college for shared network admin. Adding server infrastructure. Will be doing a pilot project for etextbook this summer in math. Ripe for larger collaborative effort for a grant.

TIES: New partnerships with ShoreTel for installing IP phones and Xirrus for high-density WiFi. Many district upgrade projects this summer. New classes on flipped classrooms being developed and implemented. Marla and Mary going to Internet2 conference and other staff attending ISTE conference.

cmERDC: A few installs and upgrades from new Internet contract. Mostly bandwidth increases for districts.

LCTN: Interest in cloud computing among districts. LCTN may be getting into cloud computing business soon.

Online Learning Advisory Council: Taking up quality assurance, professional development, innovation, truancy, open education resources. Plans may change based on current legislation. 2 vacant positions to fill.

Next meeting: Thu May 17, 9:00am.

Meeting adjourned 11:25am.

Account Transactions  
MITN Checking

7/1/2010 Through 4/19/2012

Num	Date	Payee	C	Category	Amount	Running Balance
Opening Balance as of 7/1/2010						1,954.81
Month Ending 7/31/2010						
2521	7/14/2010	Green Mill	R	Miscellaneous : Food	(134.76)	1,820.05
2522	7/23/2010	Radisson Hotel	R	Conference : Food	(585.71)	1,234.34
Total Month Ending 7/31/2010					(720.47)	
Month Ending 9/30/2010						
2523	9/30/2010	ECMECC	R	Technology	(199.95)	1,034.39
2524	9/30/2010	MN Secretary of State	R	Miscellaneous : Registration Fee	(35.00)	999.39
Total Month Ending 9/30/2010					(234.95)	
Month Ending 4/30/2011						
AW	4/27/2011	Mid Country Bank	R	Miscellaneous : Checks	(14.55)	984.84
Total Month Ending 4/30/2011					(14.55)	
Month Ending 5/31/2011						
2525	5/3/2011	Pete Royer	R	Miscellaneous	(87.94)	896.90
Total Month Ending 5/31/2011					(87.94)	
Month Ending 7/31/2011						
	7/21/2011	Green Mill	R	Miscellaneous : Food	(167.49)	729.41
Total Month Ending 7/31/2011					(167.49)	
Month Ending 9/30/2011						
3000	9/9/2011	Kelly Inn	R	Conference : Misc.	(474.46)	254.95
Total Month Ending 9/30/2011					(474.46)	
Month Ending 2/29/2012						
	2/22/2012	Deposit	R	Membership	700.00	954.95
Total Month Ending 2/29/2012					700.00	
Month Ending 3/31/2012						
	3/15/2012	Deposit	R	Membership	200.00	1,154.95
Total Month Ending 3/31/2012					200.00	
Month Ending 4/30/2012						
	4/19/2012	Deposit		Membership	300.00	1,454.95
Total Month Ending 4/30/2012					300.00	
<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>(499.86)</b>	<b>1,454.95</b>