K-12 TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date	July 25, 2013
Meeting Location	DSIT – 4430 Broad River Road, Columbia, SC 29210
Facilitator	Jimmy Earley
Note Taker	Gay Hoyer
Attendees	John Bane (DSIT), Dean Byrd (SCETV), Valarie Byrd (DSIT), Bill Croteau (SCSL), Jimmy Earley (DSIT), Claudette Flynn (SCDE), Lynn Fralick (Spirit), James Gordon (DSIT), Angela Leon (DSIT), Sharron Myers (DSIT), Linda O'Bryon (SCETV), Jerry Pate (SC Telecom. Assoc.), Petra Turner (DSIT), Beth Shull (AT&T), Dana Yow (EOC)

AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda Item 1	Approval of Minutes	Presenter:	Jimmy Earley

1. Jimmy Earley called the meeting to order and asked for approval or corrections to the minutes from the June meeting. The minutes were approved with no changes.

Agenda Item 2	eRate Status / Network Changes	Presenter:	Valarie Byrd

eRate News
1. The FCC unanimously approved the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) designed to modernize the eRate Program on July 19, 2013. This document was released July 23, 2013. Four key goals and provisions denoted by the FCC's "Fact Sheet" include: (1) Increase Broadband Capacity, (2) Cost-Effective Purchasing, (3) Streamlined Program Administration, (4) Outstanding Issues. **(Note: The NPRM doesn't appear to propose more funding for eRate.)**
2. A draft version of the Eligible Services List (ESL) for FY 2014 was released on July 3, 2013. The draft mainly contains a few clarifications, no service additions or removals.
3. The U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation held a hearing on strengthening the eRate program and expanding access to the latest digital technology and learning tools in schools and libraries. (eRate 2.0: Connecting Every Child to the Transformative Power of Technology)

State eRate Program Status

2012-13 (Current New Year) 07/01/2012 – 06/30/2013Application

1. The eRate staff is currently processing BEAR refund requests.

2013-14 (New Year) 07/01/2013 – 06/30/2014 Application
1. All five eRate Funding Applications are in "Initial Review" audit status by USAC.
2. DSIT has collected all CIPA and MOU documents from network members.
3. DSIT has collected all K-12 Partnership Certifications and LOA documents. Awaiting the inclusion of the SC Education Oversight Committee (EOC) membership.
4. DSIT is working with vendors to complete summer upgrade requests.
5. DSIT / ITMO are working on new and renewal contracts.

2013-14 (Upcoming Year) 07/01/2014 – 06/30/2015 Application
1. DSIT is working on preparing documents for the late summer/fall collections.

Bandwidth Allocation Deployment Phase IV-Fiber Placement Opportunities
1. The following districts have completed projects:
   Dorchester 4
2. The following districts will have active projects:
   Chester   Dillon 4   Newberry
3. The following districts are being evaluated:
   Dillon 3   Anderson 4 & 5

Network Changes

1. Conversion for under-served/expensive bandwidth updates for Wireless and MPLS locations is as follows:
    a. The Status of Districts that have MPLS locations:

    Allendale   ETVITFS Tower Project – Project Kickoff Soon
    Charleston   Ethernet Solution Confirmed – Project Kickoff Soon

    b. Libraries – General evaluations of layouts are being done to determine other options. Locations with MPLS (some have ME locations also) service are:

ABBE	*Charleston*	*Fairfield*	*Darlington*
AHJ	*Colleton*	*Orangeburg*	*York*

K-12 Security Subcommittee

1. The committee met this month and did a follow-up on its current action items.
2. The Security group is exchanging/upgrading equipment across the State. Twenty-nine (29) device swaps have been completed.
3. ISAC is awaiting equipment and software deliveries.
4. ISAC has completed equipment assessments.

Agenda Item 3	Guest Speaker/Topics	Presenter:	Jimmy Earley

1. The committee tries to have a speaker on the agenda every month. Ideas for speakers have in the past have come from committee members. It was suggested that we reach out to school media specialist, librarians, and speakers Ed-Tech at conferences such as Ed-Tech. Dana Yow with the EOC is a member of the South Carolina American Association of School Librarians and would be willing to reach out to some of the members for prospects and Valarie will also mention the need for speakers at the next Round Table Meeting. Members are encouraged to brainstorm and be ready to share topics and prospects for speakers at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 4	Proviso (117.29)	Presenter:	Jimmy Earley

1. The current Governance Bylaws of the K-12 School Technology Initiative Committee states that the committee shall be governed and guided by the current K-12 School Technology Initiative Proviso, and any other Provisos and Laws. Changes in legislation may require a revision of these Bylaws.
2. The Legislation amended **Proviso 117.29** to require a representative from the Education Oversight Committee be added as a voting member of the K-12 Technology Initiative.
3. **Proviso 91.28** was also added. This Proviso requires the committee to provide a report describing the state's efforts to facilitate the cost effective provision of connectivity and Internet bandwidth to schools and libraries on a statewide basis, regardless of location, activities to assist schools and libraries in minimizing and detecting Internet security threats, the development and utilization of technological and online resources to support student development and achievement, the development and utilization of curriculum and professional training to support the use of instructional technology in schools and libraries, and other educational technology related activities engaged in by the partnership. This report should be submitted no later than February 1, 2014 to the following:
   - House Education and Public Works Committee
   - House Ways and Means Committee
   - Senate Education Committee
   - Senate Finance Committee

Agenda Item 5	Update of Governance Bylaws	Presenter:	Jimmy Earley

1. A copy of the K-12 School Technology Initiative Committee Governance Bylaws, showing proposed revisions to accommodate the new and amended Provisos, was distributed to the committee. A copy of this document will be emailed to members so that a vote may be taken at the August meeting. The

Governance Bylaws require that a fourteen (14) calendar day advance notice be given before a vote can be taken.
2. After reviewing the changes with the committee, Jimmy proposed the changes and will take the vote at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 6	Budget	Presenter:	James Gordon

1. James Gordon distributed a copy of the budget and explained the proposed budget to the committee.
2. The committee was able to honor all budget requests and still have money left in the budget.
3. The Department of Education has requested that any surplus funds go back them in order to give money to the districts.
4. James asked the Department of Education to review the budget and decide how they would like to use any or all of the surplus funds.

Next Meeting	August 22, 2013
Location	Division of State IT, 4430 Broad River Road, Columbia, SC 29210