



South Carolina K-12 School Technology Initiative Committee Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2022

Attendees:

Keith Osman, ADMIN
Karen Rumfelt, ADMIN
Robert Nichols, ADMIN
Petra Turner, ADMIN
Emily Prosser, ADMIN
Steven Lake, ADMIN
Jay Meyer, ADMIN
Mike Shelton, ADMIN
Jane Sosebee, AT&T
Lynn Fralick, SEGRA

Brian Pratt, SDE
Mark Leslie, Richland 1
Salandra Bowman, SCETV
Valarie Byrd, SDE
Dana Yow, EOC
Nola Armstrong, SCTBA
Elizabeth Carpentier, SDE
Tina Leitzsey, Newberry
Greg Gilstrap, Anderson 1
Jason Jones, AT&T

Noting a quorum of Committee members, Keith Osman called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the November 9, 2021 Committee meeting were provided to Committee members. Mr. Osman solicited the Committee members for comments, edits, and questions regarding the minutes.

Hearing none, Jane Sosebee motioned to approve the minutes as presented, and Nola Armstrong seconded the motion.

- The November 9, 2021 S.C. K-12 School Technology Initiative Committee Minutes were unanimously approved.

E-Rate Update

Petra Turner provided an update on various E-Rate related issues to the Committee.

1. All applications have been approved and submitted.
 - a. 2 apps in PIA review, one is wave ready
 - b. \$22.5 million worth of apps
2. FCC has announced that it will open a third window for Emergency Connectivity Fund.
 - a. The window will open on April 28th and will close on May 13th.

3. Current BCAP Audit in progress.
4. New Internet Contract going into effect July 1st.
 - a. Decreased internet costs to organizations.
 - b. Memorandum of Understanding will be sent out to organizations explaining new internet rates.
5. The new FCC Procurement Portal will be a few years down the road.

Robert Nichols updates:

1. Provided information about an upcoming Cisco Umbrella content filter update.
 - a. It will go into effect April 29th.
 - b. A memo was emailed to all IT contacts within the organizations.
2. Category 2 reimbursements planned to be sent out the first of April.
3. Budget request forms will be sent to organizations mid-April.

New Business

Betsy Carpentier gave update: Currently waiting on legislature to appropriate funds to the Office of Regulatory Staff to improve rural broadband. Also, there is a 20 satellite pilot program with Star Link to improve rural internet access. Issues with the program include putting equipment on personal houses, etc. We will get updates on rural broadband access in the future.

Adjournment

Hearing no other new or old business, Mr. Osman motioned that the meeting be adjourned.

- All Committee members approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.