



Minutes of Annual Board Meeting  
July 12, 2022

Attending:

RANA Board: Leslie Straughan, Matt Fitzgerald, Robert Day, Jason Melvin, Ron Cash (Absent)

Advisory Members: Valeri Jacoutot (Secretary), Mr. Saacke (Treasurer) - Absent

Others: None

Ms. Straughan called the meeting of the RANA Board to order at 2:03PM noting that a quorum existed with four members present.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Fitzgerald moved to approve the minutes of the June meeting. Mr. Day seconded the motion. The motion passed with three members in consent.

Ms. Straughan: Yes; Mr. Melvin: Yes; Mr. Day: Yes; Mr. Fitzgerald: Yes, Mr. Cash: A

Treasurer's Report:

Mr. Saacke was unable to attend this meeting. Financial reports will be reviewed at the August meeting.

Operations Report:

Ms. Jacoutot reviewed the operators report submitted by Wide Open Networks.

Outside Plant:

Ms. Jacoutot reviewed outside plant activities.

Business Planning Committee:

The committee did not meet.

Old Business

Ms. Jacoutot notified the board that RANA will not be included with the county on the VATI grant application. Changes in VATI grant rules allow for a single ISP for each application. Because RANA is an open access middle mile provider, we cannot join the county's application representing our ISP partners. While the VATI grant does have a carve out for middle mile access providers, RANA does not have the funds to cover the cash match requirement. Cash match requirements continue to be a hurdle for RANA to participate in grant funding opportunities.

New Business:

Ms. Jacoutot notified the board that the Cisco firewall needs to be replaced as the current model is nearing end of life status and does not have a service contract in place. Recommended replacement from Juniper costs \$3448.24 and the support plan is \$588.80 and can ship quickly. While there is lower cost Juniper model

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that would work, it has a 6-12 month ship time. There is one more brand being reviewed to see if it will fit our needs, but we may need to quickly move on the Juniper since it has current availability.

The meeting adjourned at 2:40PM. The next monthly meeting of the RANA Board is Tuesday, July 12, 2022.

Approved:

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Valeri Jacoutot, Secretary

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Leslie Straughn, Chairman