



## Washington Association of Telecommunications Officers & Advisors

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### **Board Meeting January 8, 2020**

1. Call to Order – Time 2pm.
2. Roll Call of Officers
  - a. Present: George Geyer, Mike Charboneau, John Delay, Jim Demmon, Alice Lawson, Chris Jaramillo, Mike Connor, Jon Rauch.
3. President's Report
  - a. Approval of the Agenda from January 8, 2020 - Alice Moved, Jim Second
  - b. Board Elections Results:  
President – George Geyer  
Vice President – Mike Charboneau  
Secretary – Megan Hutton  
Treasurer – Alice Lawson  
Region 2 - Robin Steel  
Region 4 – Jim Demmon  
Region 6 – Ben Faubion  
Region 8 – Jon Funfar
4. Vice President's Report  
Currently working to get on screen programming at the City. Reception location will be closer (Bernard Griffin winery) will report more under Annual Conference Committee reports.
5. Secretary's Report
  - a. No Quorum at November 11th. Discussed Conference, Story teller speaker John Sharify selected. Scholarship info is out, one application so far. Will put out another list serv message along with a conference register today flyer. November minutes will be offered for approval at the next meeting.
6. Treasurer's report
  - a. A lot of agencies have renewed already. Finished the year at \$18,799 bank balance. Undeposited: \$175 and WATOA commitments would bring adjusted ending balance to \$16,974.
7. Committee Reports
  - a. Events/ Annual Conference Committee. Alice/Chris/ Mike Charboneau – Committee calls held through November along with sub committees for PEG and Production tracks. Next call coming up on Friday to come closer to finalizing session tracks so we can start inviting speakers and advertising topics. First registration push will be tomorrow. Topics categories so far: Wireless deployment cable and broadband. We should be working on inviting state broadband office rep. \$25-dollar extra guest fee and \$5-dollar bus contribution. Discussion relating to anticipated costs and potential vendor contributions for reception. Confirmation of click through for brown paper tickets. Motion made by Alice for a \$25 guest fee for non-conference registry



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guest to the president's reception. Mike Charboneau. Seconded. Approved unanimously. Bernard Griffith is holding the site for us. Indoor and outside areas Plenty of food this year and there is restaurant at the facility for those who want to order more. 10-15 minutes travel. Room and meeting room renovations at this year's location should be done by conference time. We will be back at Campbells in 2021. Legislative Policy Session tracks lineup so far: Wireless/small cell / 5G networks / Broadband using wireless / WA State Broadband office / Broadband USA federal perspective / Pierce County study one year later and King County Broadband study / Telecom FCC, Congress and the courts / What makes a cable system and impacts of OTT / Infrastructure contract language.

- b. Production no report.
  - c. Nominating / Membership. Bellingham notified George that D.J. has resigned from Bellingham City employment. Will be talking with D.J. and folks in Bellingham to follow up on this. Membership 15 agencies and 39 members so far at 40 percent, good progress already toward last years numbers.
  - d. Communications – Working on adding last years footage to the conference video. Also put together some clips to show at the conference.
8. Old Business
    - a. None
  9. New Business
    - a. None
  10. Good of the Order  
Info and other documents can be found on the WATOA google drive.
  11. Next Meeting(s)
    - a. Board Meeting February 12, 2020
    - b. Board Retreat February 28, 2020 in Ellensburg.
  12. Adjournment – Mike Charboneau Moved. John Delay Second Time: 2:37pm