



Washington Association of Telecommunications Officers & Advisors

a professional organization of individuals and organizations serving citizens in the development, regulation, and administration of cable television and other telecommunication systems.

Board Meeting July 8, 2020

1. Call to Order – 2:08 PM
2. Roll Call of Officers
 - a. George Geyer, Mike Charboneau, Megan Hutton, John Delay, Jim Demmon, Ben Faubion, ~~Edgar Riebe~~, Alice Lawson, Chris Jaramillo, ~~Judy Deval~~, Jon Funfar, Mike Connor, ~~Derek Young~~, Robin Steel, John Rauch, Ben Skudlarek
3. President's Report
 - a. Approval of the Agenda, motion to approve as written, Robin 1st, Alice 2nd, unanimously approved
4. Old Business
5. Vice President's Report
 - a. none
6. Secretary's Report
 - a. Approval of minutes from the 6/10/20 Board Meeting
 - i. Robin 1st, Jim 2nd, unanimously approved
7. Treasurer's report
 - a. Review current report
 - i. Beginning balance 5/31/20 \$21,664.08
 - ii. Ending bank balance June 2020 \$21,721.08
 1. No outstanding amounts
 2. \$175 deposit, \$118 reimbursements
 - iii. Motion to use \$200 x 7 scholarships (\$1,400 total) to pay for online NATOA conference, now 100% virtual this year. This uses up to \$1500 already set aside for NATOA scholarships toward registration, before COVID cancelled those in-person conferences. The person who already won the 2020 NATOA scholarship will automatically get one of the 7 scholarships.
 1. Jon Funfar motion, Robin 2nd, unanimously approved
8. Committee Reports
 - a. Events/ Annual Conference
 - i. eWATOA's in June were a success
 1. 31 attendance for franchising
 2. Color correction
 - ii. Planning 2 more eWATOA sessions in September
 - b. Nominating and Membership
 - i. None
 - c. Legislative, policy and legal updates – Jon Funfar
 - i. Unlikely that legislature won't meet until 2021



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- ii. FCC updates are being shared on the listserv
 - iii. The State broadband office might be looking at affordable options for high speed internet.
 - iv. NATOA has a survey about impacts to Right of Way mgmt.
 - d. Communications
 - i. Advertise new NATOA scholarships
- 9. New Business
 - a. John Delay – update on Comcast franchise negotiations
 - i. Changed how they count subscribers, to per sub not location, and changed to percentage. Reduced number of PEG channels to what's needed now.
 - b. Alice Lawson – working on 'Internet for All Initiative' in City of Seattle
- 10. Good of the Order
- 11. Next Meeting(s)
 - a. Board Meeting 8/12/20, 9/9/20
- 12. Adjournment – 2:49 PM
 - a. Unanimously approved