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**STN GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES**

December 10, 2020

Remote Meeting Using Web/Telephonic Medium

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

PRESENT: Marcia Weber, Howard Zingler, Jim Osborn, Carl Hayden
ABSENT: Dave Hopkins
MANAGEMENT: Steve Manning

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. The November 12, 2020 meeting minutes were approved by the committee on a motion from Jim Osborn, seconded by Carl Hayden, and carried.

2. Review 2021 Governance & Board Meeting Schedule

Committee members reviewed and accepted the proposed meeting schedule, noting that the November 11th meeting falls on Veterans Day; a decision to reschedule this meeting will be made in September/October of 2021.

3. REVIEW BOARD MEMBER TERMS and MODIFICATION OF STN BY-LAWS

The Committee reviewed the board member term expiration dates, correcting the expiration date for Chairperson, Marcia Weber, to February 28, 2022.

Marcia reviewed Section 3 of the by-laws, reminding the Committee of its recommendation to the board during its November 2020 meeting to delete the following sentence: *“No person shall be eligible to be elected a Director for more than three consecutive terms.”* Steve reported that no board members responded to the November solicitation requesting them to review and send back comments, if any, for rejecting the Governance Committee’s recommendation to delete the sentence. Committee members unanimously agreed to proceed with the endorsement to the full board to delete the sentence.

4. REVIEW and DISCUSS STN RESPONSE LETTER to YATES COUNTY RFI

The Committee read STN’s response letter with a brief comment from Marcia and discussion.

5. OTHER

Committee members requested an update on the phone call Marcia and Steve had with the USDA General Field Representative regarding STN's ReConnect Grant application rejection letter. Marcia stated that the USDA Field Rep agreed with STN that a contract with a service provider is not a grant requirement, and that the two letters of intended support by service providers that STN did include with its application should be enough. Committee members agreed that STN should send the USDA a letter requesting reconsideration and an explanation for the decision not to award the grant to STN. Committee members requested a copy of the letter that STN will send.

- 6.** There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 AM (Hayden/Osborn).

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Manning, CEO