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Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Zoom Meeting: May 10, 2023 – 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Attended: Theodore L. Chandler, Jr., Thomas R. Frantz, Nancy Grden, Greg Gilligan, Mitch Haddon, John W. Martin, John F. Reinhart, and Laura Robidoux

Absent: Brian Anderson, Cliff Fleet, Wilson Flohr, Moses Foster, Ross Grogg, Bob Holsworth, Sarah Jane Kirkland, Aubrey L. Layne, Peggy Layne, Christopher Lloyd, James Spore, Bryan Stephens

Agenda Items:

- 1. Welcome and Minutes Approval
- 2. April 26 Board/MIC Meeting Recap
- 3. Global Internet Hub Update
- 4. Old Business / New Business
- 5. Executive Session

Welcome and Minutes Approval

No vote was held because there was not a quorum. A vote will be held at a following meeting.

The next EC meeting is scheduled for June 29 in Williamsburg 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with Jason El Koubi. However, a virtual meeting will be set up prior to this meeting to vote on meeting minutes and host an executive session.

The EC will be asked to RSVP to future meetings.

April 26 Board/MIC Meeting Recap

The April 26 Board/MIC meeting involved a rich discussion of the Global Internet Hub Strategic Plan. Lower than average attendance during EC meetings, Board/MIC meetings, and Innovation Spotlight webinars continues to be brought up as a meeting topic. Civic organizations in general are experiencing a lag in engagement. However, it's been shown that directors take action for RVA757 Connects' initiatives when asked for support, as was the case for the I-64 Gap Project and Jefferson Lab's grant application. The frequency of meetings in 2024 is up for discussion.

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Global Internet Hub Update

The Global Internet Hub Strategic Plan has been receiving feedback from a select few individuals from the Steering Committee. The plan will be shared with the entire committee for final feedback collection. An updated copy of the report will be available in June.

Old Business / New Business

Meetings are coming up for rail, bike, and Convergence 2023. The Governor will be invited to speak as the keynote at Convergence and state and local officials will be invited to attend the event.

Robust discussions are being held on population movement with a regional focus throughout the megaregion. This is a big opportunity.

Executive Session

The executive session will be held at the next virtual EC meeting, which will be scheduled promptly.