

**Iowa Telecommunications & Technology Commission
Grimes State Office Building, 1st Floor
400 E. 14th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319**

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March 18, 2010

To ensure the most efficient use of State resources, the March 18, 2010, ITTC meeting was held via a video conference pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8. A video conference call also ensured more Commissioners were able to participate in the meeting and reduced the risk of delays caused by weather or other impediments to travel. The meeting was accessible to members of the public through attendance at the Grimes State Office Building.

Commissioners Present

Betsy Brandsgard, Chairperson (via video-conference)
Michael W. Mahaffey, Member (via video-conference)
Robert R. Hardman, Member (via video-conference)
Timothy L. Lapointe, Member (via video-conference)
Pamela A. Duffy, Member

Commissioners Absent

David A. Vaudt, Ex-Officio Member

Iowa Communications Network Staff Present

Dave Lingren, Interim Executive Director
Joseph Cassis, Deputy Director
Kevin Heinzeroth, Finance Director
Vicki Wallis, Engineering Administrator
Phil Groner, Interim Service Delivery Administrator
Tami Fujinaka, Government Relations Manager
Lori Larsen, Public Relations Manager (Recorder)
Deb Evans, Billing/Audit Manager
Dave Marley, Operations Administrator

Guests

Terry Rinehart, Iowa Public Television
Kyle Holmgren, Qwest
Adam Humes, Attorney General
Nancy Berggren, Department of Administrative Services
Vicki Anderson, Department of Administrative Services
Michele Ridout, Department of Education
Joe Coon – Mississippi AEA (via video-conference)
David Hovey, Department of Human Services (via video-conference)

Call to Order

Commissioner Brandsgard called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M. It was noted that a quorum of members was present for the meeting.

Approval of 2/17/10 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Mahaffey moved for approval of the February 17, 2010 meeting minutes; Commissioner Lapointe seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; minutes approved.

Commissioner Hardman – yes
Commissioner Lapointe – yes
Commissioner Mahaffey – yes
Commissioner Brandsgard – yes

Old Business

Federal Economic Stimulus Bill Update - Joseph Cassis

The recent change to the Federal Economic Stimulus Bill is the publication of the national broadband plan released Tuesday, March 16. It is comprehensive with many recommendations. One of the recommendations appear to the efforts the ICN has put forth (recommendation 8.20), "*Federal and state policies should facilitate demand aggregation and use of state, regional and local networks when that is the most cost-efficient solution for anchor institutions to meet their connectivity needs.*" That emphasizes the importance of ICN's assets and how it interacts with other plans and grant submissions. There are three different types of submissions: Sustainable Broadband Adoption (SBA), Public Computer Center (PCC), and Comprehensive Community Institution (CCI). The bill pushes the idea of bring broadband to rural and urban areas, and having the emphasis on community institutions as the primary.

SBA and PCC applications are due on March 15. CCI applications are due on March 26.

ICN's SBA proposed project will build a new broadband video conferencing platform that meets current industry-standard IP-based protocol while establishing a targeted technology education and training program to underserved and vulnerable citizens. This project will expand broadband adoption in over 700 community anchor institutions (CAIs) which include schools, colleges and universities, libraries, hospitals and clinics, corrections facilities, and government offices. This project was uploaded successfully.

A collaborated effort that included Department of Education, Iowa Workforce Development, and community colleges, was not uploaded successfully, a waiver to submit the application late is being pursued. That grant emphasizes unserved and underserved areas throughout communities in Iowa.

ICN's CCI proposed project will focus on infrastructure development. By installing specialized state-of-the-art hardware, the network could increase its bandwidth speed to 10 Gigabits per second (Gbps) for every Point of Presence within each of Iowa's 99 counties. The 'Middle Mile' portion of the network will provide up to 1 Gbps of symmetrical Ethernet for over 1,000 educational facilities, hospitals, libraries, public safety, workforce development, and other CAIs in served, underserved and unserved areas throughout Iowa.

Iowa Broadband Deployment Governance Board (IBDGB) - Joseph Cassis

The March 12, 2010 meeting was canceled due to no applications submitted in the system.

The federal government awarded four projects in Iowa. La Motte Telephone Company submitted an application into the grant management system. Their project provides wireless broadband service to the Springbrook, Iowa and the surrounding area. They plan to provide this service by constructing a 300 foot guyed tower and installing Wi-Max technology on the tower. The other three awardees have not taken any action in submitting the necessary paperwork into the system.

During the last IBDGB meeting members reviewed the purpose of the \$25 million allocation. The goal of the board is to increase and expand Iowa's broadband infrastructure. Senator Gronstal and Representative Kelley said the process was to be a fast pace effort and none of the appropriations for this particular board has been allocated. During the next meeting on April 9, the board is going to consider projects that are related more within Iowa, and not based upon the federal government. The way that the administrative rules are written emphasizes that the awards are tied to infrastructure projects in line with the federal government awards. That has been a challenge for the board.

New Business

ATAC Update - Michele Ridout

Note: The Commission received ATAC's materials during the February 2010 meeting.

It is the mission of the Administrative Telecommunications Advisory Council (ATAC) to provide a forum for collaboration and a voice for administrative uses and users of the video services of the Iowa Communications Network. The Council will assist in sharing information concerning the role of the ICN and potential uses with all authorized users of the network.

Objectives for the Impending Years:

- ATAC Link on ICN's Website - ATAC on the website has not been updated for quite some time; in fact Michele is not finding it there at all anymore.
- ATAC has not been completing virtual tours.
 - The virtual tour would consist one of the newer ICN sites completing a presentation of the room and what services that they provide.
- Interest has wandered on the meetings so ATAC's goal is to get people interested in meetings and contributing to the group again.
- Review the Mission Statement to see if ATAC feels it is still a valid statement.

Executive Board:

Chair – Michele Ridout, Department of Education, Des Moines
 Vice-Chair – Jon Swanson, Iowa National Guard, Des Moines
 Recording Secretary – Cherie Jones, Marshalltown Vets Home
 At-Large Member – Jackie Kokke, State Library of Iowa, Des Moines
 At-Large Member – Gayla Myers, Iowa National Guard, Cedar Rapids
 Past Chair – Ed Glenn, Iowa National Guard, Ottumwa
 ITTC Liaison – Julie Wettengel, Council Bluffs DHS

K-12 Connections Update - Terry Rinehart, IPTV

By the end of February, K-12 Connections had generated 6,522 hours, last year at this time K-12 Connections generated 4,981 hours.

ICN Hours Generated

Iowa Public Television K-12 ICN Video Hours

Month	# of Sessions	# of Sites	FY10 Hours	FY09 Hours	FY08 Hours	FY07 Hours	FY06 Hours
July	16	110	183.00	158.00	79.50	56.67	113.00
August	12	113	317.00	88.00	761.00	31.00	500.00
September	46	466	771.50	1658.33	313.23	283.42	782.83
October	70	889	1811.42	675.75	743.50	651.00	942.20
November	46	530	759.83	1076.58	797.50	800.42	1451.47
December	47	773	1318.42	273.75	393.83	371.25	675.75
January	49	394	658.08	430.92	685.50	375.33	878.87
February	54	479	702.83	619.67	766.92	441.17	986.42
March				1217.90	1511.92	461.25	454.08
April				953.48	1520.43	542.45	442.93
May				434.72	307.42	1007.75	350.75
June				630.83	1383.50	1893.42	92.50
Total	340	3754	6522.08	8217.93	9264.25	6915.12	7670.80

Annual Comparison of July-February Hours

FY09 4981.00 Hours; FY08 4540.98 Hours; FY07 3010.26 Hours; FY06 6330.54 Hours

Total Number of Participants for July-February: 18,492

Top Ten K-12 Connections Topics for November-February by # of Students

Rank	Title	# of Students
#1	Arthur's Thanksgiving	586
#2	Arthur's Valentine	377
#3	Animal Winter Preparation	332
#4	Hands on Banking	323
#5	Counting and Number Concepts	285
#6	Iowa Capitol Virtual Tour	209
#7	Stories and More: Families	204
#8	Unhuggable Animals	201
#9	Kwanzaa Celebration	193
#10	Cosmic Connections	168

My Source Education Innovation Award for K-12 Connections to Science

K-12 Connections will be recognized in an award ceremony at the Council of Chief State School Officers/Public Media Summit that will be held in Washington, DC on March 20, 2010. The My Source Education Innovation Awards were created by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) to give recognition to public media projects that make a positive educational impact in their communities.

In a recent survey, IPTV discovered that 75 percent of Iowa middle-school students identified science, engineering, technology, and mathematics (STEM) careers as an area they wanted to know more about. As a result, K-12 Connections partnered with Future City, IT Adventures, Iowa Science Fair, IT Olympics, Hyperstream and many other organizations to produce and deliver a series of 113 STEM-related ICN sessions to students throughout the state. In 2009 the project reached 655 Iowa schools, with a total of 9,259 teachers and students participating in the sessions.

Following is a listing of future ICN session topics:

- The *Martha Speaks* Series
- IT-Adventures Club Meeting
- Career Exploration for STEM Careers: Environmental Engineer
- AmeriCorps

The Commission congratulated Terry Rinehart and K-12 Connections in receiving the My Source Education Innovation Award.

Q - How many school districts participate in K-12 Connections?

A – For the K-12 Connections to Science there were 422 school buildings participating in that project.

Joseph Cassis added that the number of hours (6,522.08) has exceeded all the numbers that have been accumulated during this time period for the last four years.

Q – Do you have a break down regarding elementary/secondary usage verses professional education usage?

A – Terry Rinehart stated, I can tell you the general trends, but I don't have exact statics today.

- Most of the content that is generated is focused on elementary and middle school aged children.
- There is less participation in the high school level.

- Professional development usage is estimated around 15-18 percent.

Review FY 10 ICN Budget to Actual Financials - Kevin Heinzeroth

Through the month of February: Cash from Operations, adjusted for removing appropriation, was \$338,865, the total for the year is \$1,925,132. ICN spent \$573,419 on equipment (non-appropriated). ICN spent \$2,017,506 on appropriated equipment for the year.

Below is the budget to actual report for the operations of the ICN through the eighth month of fiscal year 2010.

Video Services Billings for video services through February 2010 are ahead of billings through February 2009 by \$26,398 and are 3.81 percent above the February year-to-date budgeted amount. The ICN produced 117,344 hours through February 2010, down from the 144,720 hours produced through February 2009.

Higher education and K-12 comprised the majority of the usage.

Voice Services FY 2010 year-to-date Voice Service revenues through February 2010 are behind February 2009 year-to-date revenues by \$335,487 and are 3.07 percent ahead of the 2010 year-to-date budget figures. Largest sources of revenue are toll free usage, local access, and inmate calling.

Data Services Gross revenues from data services through February 2010 are ahead of February 2009 year-to-date revenues by \$291,375 and are ahead of fiscal.

Installation Revenues Year-to-date Installation revenues through February 2010 are behind February 2009 year-to-date by \$181,306 and are behind of the February year-to-date budget by .21 percent. Installation revenues fluctuate greatly depending upon current spending abilities of our customers. Budgeting is based upon prior year activity and can vary widely from actual.

Indirect and G & A Expenses Year-to-date Indirect expenses for February 2010 are below budget projections for February 2010 year-to-date by 11.92 percent and are \$89,333 behind of February 2009 year-to-date expenditures. Year-to-date General and Administrative expenses for February 2010 are below February 2009 year-to-date by \$227,053 and 14.46 percent below February year-to-date budget projections.

Equipment and Equipment Appropriation For February the ICN paid \$93,696 for equipment on approved project expenditures. Walker Group at \$37,661, Takes Electric at \$21,647, Brocade Communications at \$17,164, QWEST at \$9,750 and Hewitt Packard at \$6,289 were the major vendors. In addition \$16,112 was paid to various vendors for approved minor equipment purchases.

Total service revenues through the first eight months of fiscal year 2010 were in line with budgeted amounts exceeding budgeted by 1.08 percent, expenditures directly related to services are also in line with budgeted exceeding budgeted amount by 2.38 percent.

Because total revenues and expenses related to services are reasonable compared to budgeted amounts, cash generated from operations has generally been generated from indirect and general and administrative costs that have been held below budget by decreased outside plant work due to the extended winter and from payroll costs held down by not filling vacant positions and several retirements that have occurred this fiscal year.

Note: Next agenda item discussed was "Appointment of Executive Director".

Legislative Update – Joseph Cassis / Mark Johnson

SF 2353, the ICN leased connections bill, as amended, removes current references to older technology capacity measures and allows the Commission to determine sufficient capacity. This change may allow more vendors to

be eligible to bid on Part III leases. There are two language sections of the SF 2353: technology agnostic side (no reference of DS3 connectivity remained in the language), and removed language regarding forming a committee representing numerous stakeholders.

Bill History

- Voted out of Senate State Government Committee on February 11.
- Debated on the Senate floor on February 18, Senator Jochum represented the issues associated with the bill.
- There was an amendment debated on the floor by Senator Zaun. He proposed the bill be replaced with language representing the sale of the ICN. The amendment was defeated.
- SF 2353 was voted to be passed on to the House, where the state government committee reviewed and was sent out of committee on March 4, and recommended passage.
- With a number of lobbyists, ICN was able to identify some concerns and issues and some lobbyists have changed their position from against to undecided.
- The bill is standing alone, and could be attached to another bill.

ICN staff members will send out the votes regarding SF 2353 bill and amendment to the ICN leased connections bill.

SF 2329 – This was the original bill to recommend the cities and counties have direct access to the ICN. That bill was modified to represent an advisory committee to study and make recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly regarding the current and future operation of the ICN. The Committee (task force) is to be made up of representatives including: Association of Counties, League of Cities, ITTC, AG's Office, Iowa Association of School Boards, Iowa Department of Education, Private Telecommunications, Wireless Providers, ICN Authorized User not otherwise specifically named, Municipal Telecommunications, Iowa Utilities Board, Cable Providers, Department of Economic Development, AEAs (Area Education Agencies), and three members of the General Public. Ex officio members from both: House, Senate and Governor's Office. Staffing will be provided by the ICN. The committee will make recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly no later than 12/31/10.

Dave Lingren said that both bills have the same status. They were approved by the Senate, assigned to a committee in the House, and came out of the House committee. The bills did not make it to the unfinished business; therefore they can still be an amendment to a different bill. SF 2329 has significant more opposition from the telecommunications lobbyists. Since the bill was vague in what services the ICN could/would provide it created a lot of concerns with the telecommunication lobbyists. Telecommunications lobbyists may become concerned if ICN would provide dial tone, long distance services, Internet services, etc. When services are not limited than there is a concern.

Judicial house 2521/SF2377 – Judicial Branch asks for more of a use of the ICN as a more secure Network. This was brought up and passed for consideration due to the security the Network has.

State Infrastructure Strategy – Joseph Cassis

The State Infrastructure Strategy is the infrastructure planning task force, including several sectors: Energy, Transportation, Telecommunications, Buildings/Vertical, and Natural Resources. All sectors have made recommendations to the task force to create a report back to the Governor's office. This task force is being facilitated by SPPG (State Public Policy Group) and had a first task force meeting on March 4. That meeting was to introduce the sectors. Joseph Cassis is representing telecommunications. The next meeting is on March 25, and the report and idea is to utilize some statically aspects tools. The importance is the integration of all sectors.

SPPG's report is due to the Governor's office in May 2010.

Rural Health Initiative Update - Dave Lingren

For the Rural Health Initiative update, 45 out of 48 core sites are installed. There are three sites that need specialized designs completed (equipment ordered). Three of the twenty-one work orders increase Ethernet to 10 gigabits per second. The core routers are in place, and ICN expects to have connections to those core routers by the end of March 2010.

Commissioners suggested that this progress report is reiterated to lawmakers.

Action on Certified User Waiver Requests - Phil Groner

ICN has three waiver requests for long distance service due to lack of ICN's Caller ID.

1. AEA 9 Mississippi Bend AEA
2. AEA 10 Grant Wood AEA
3. Hawkeye Community College

ICN staff has reviewed these waivers and recommend approval.

ICN has five waivers for local long distance service due to cost.

1. Briar Cliff University
2. Drake University
3. Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
 - a. Central College
 - b. Luther College
 - c. Morningside College
 - d. Sr. Ambrose University
 - e. Simpson College
 - f. University of Dubuque
4. Upper Iowa University
5. Coe College

ICN staff has reviewed the waivers and recommend approval of the waivers due to cost. Staff has one note; ICN recommends that Coe College's waiver be approved until November 19, 2010. That is when Coe College's current contract for long distance service expires, and based on the current cost from Coe College's, ICN would be a lower cost alternative.

ICN has four Internet waivers due to cost.

1. Briar Cliff University
2. AEA 9 Mississippi Bend AEA
3. Indian Hills Community College
4. Drake University

ICN staff has reviewed the waivers and recommend approval. Staff has one additional note; ICN recommends approval of the Drake University Internet Waiver until May 31, 2010. At that time, Drake University's current contract with their current Internet provider expires, based on the costs presented ICN would be a lower cost alternative.

Commissioner Duffy moved approval of ICN's waiver requests, accepting the two stipulations as submitted. Commissioner Mahaffey seconded the motion.

Commissions Discussion:

Q – What has staff discussed regarding the caller-id situation and if changes are being proposed?

A – Caller-id requires an upgrade to ICN's switch. ICN would not be able to recoup any long distance revenue to these certified users to pay for that upgrade. One of the aspects the ICN has considered is an alternative way to provide long distance. Regarding that alternative, ICN would not be the direct provider, but a reseller of the services, and customers would receive the benefit of the caller-id services.

Commissioner Lapointe questioned the wavier for Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. Commissioner Lapointe suggested that the Commission approve the waiver, but also inform President Gary Steinke that the Commission has a policy that the colleges have to submit a waiver individually. In the past the Commission voted down waivers due to not complying with the code.

Commissioner Lapointe recommended approving this waiver, but sending a letter explaining that the Commission would prefer individual representation on waiver requests.

Commissioner Duffy stated an amendment to the current motion to remove the request from Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, because they are not an authorized user entity.

Commissioner Duffy moved to amend the current motion to recommend approval of all waivers with ICN staff recommendations, including the two stipulations, except for those submitted under the Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, which the Commission would address separately, Commissioner Lapointe seconded the motion.

Commissioner Duffy – yes
Commissioner Hardman – yes
Commissioner Lapointe – yes
Commissioner Mahaffey – yes
Commissioner Brandsgard – yes

Motion, as amended, has been approved.

Commissioner Mahaffey moved approval of the waiver request submitted by Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and requests sending a follow-up letter stating that moving forward the Commission would prefer individual representation on waiver requests. *There was no second to Commissioner Mahaffey's motion. Motion died.*

Commissioner Duffy moved that the Commission reject the request for a one year extension for ICN voice services for the colleges listed in the letter from the Iowa Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and that ICN staff communicates with the individual colleges regarding the proper application process of a waiver. Commissioner Lapointe seconded the motion.

Commissioner Lapointe said ICN staff can indicate in the letter that the Commission feels that it is best practice to review each entity individually.

Adam Humes stated that since the Commission approved similar waivers in the past, it does not set precedence, there is firm ground in the code/administrative rules if the Commission decides to approve this motion.

Commissioner Duffy – yes
Commissioner Hardman – yes
Commissioner Lapointe – yes
Commissioner Mahaffey – no

Commissioner Brandsgard – yes

Motion approved.

Appointment of Executive Director - Chairperson

Since the last ITTC meeting Commissioner Brandsgard, Commissioner Lapointe, and Tami Fujinaka have met to start gathering information that is needed to begin the executive director selection process. The intent is to uncover information in four areas:

- 1) How much flexibility does the Commissioner have in terms of job qualifications/job duties in crafting a description?
- 2) How long is it possible to have an interim position, is there any stipulation in code regarding a timeframe?
- 3) How other agencies within state government typically fill top positions, knowing that the ITTC is different than other state agencies and the Commission wants to understand the protocol and practices.
- 4) What code guidance would be provided, does the Commission have to apply to any particular requirements from the code (i.e. open meetings).

Commissioner Brandsgard stated that DAS (Department of Administrative Services) would be consulting with the Commission throughout this process. Later in the process, when the Commission appoints a selection committee a representative from DAS would be included.

Adam Humes said he has worked with Tami Fujinaka addressing the Commission's second and fourth points.

- There is no rule found under the Code regarding the length of the interim appointment. The Commission needs to file a notice of deferred appointment with the Senate. When the Commission is ready to appoint ICN's full-term director, the Commission would also follow the same process of informing the Senate.
- Regarding open meetings with respect to interviewing candidates and reviewing resumes, the Commission can go into closed session but a few requirements need to be met. The candidate has to request closed session. The Commission should make a notation when communicating the ITTC meeting, prior to the ITTC meeting in the opening of the ITTC agenda notice, that a candidate needs to request a closed session.

DAS would be happy to assist in the closed session requirements. DAS has documents if a candidate would request a closed session.

Adam Humes also stated that the Commission could keep resumes confidential.

Commissioner Brandsgard said in previous searches, the process that was elected included a specialized search firm out of New York who specialized in telecommunications and technology. Commissioner Brandsgard and Commissioner Lapointe looked at several options. One option is to use DAS' Human Resource Enterprise (HRE) department. The second option is to engage a specialized national firm or a more traditional executive level search firm located in Iowa. The third option is a combination working closely with DAS using typical protocols that the state uses, but also have a professional executive search firm recruit candidates and bring the candidates to the executive committee.

Commissioner Lapointe said the Commission needs due diligence to ensure that ICN obtains the best candidate for the position.

Commissioner Brandsgard and Commissioner Lapointe are recommending that the Commission proceed with a regional search committee. DAS/HRE would be great for cost analysis, but they may not be as knowledgeable

of the telecommunications side. A national search will cost more. A regional search firm could have the possibility to go national.

Commissioner Lapointe moved that the ITTC establish a search committee for the purpose of hiring a new ICN executive director. Included in the motion is a recommendation to have the search committee assembled promptly and set parameters for the search. The search committee would have the understanding that a regional search firm would be selected. Potential search committee representatives could include but are not limited to: Director of DAS, three ITTC members, National Guard, Education Telecommunications Council representative, Iowa Public Television (IPTV) representative, ATAC representative, and similar entities representing the telecommunications industry. Commissioner Hardman seconded the motion.

Commissioner Hardman asked does the Commission have some idea of actual cost.

Commissioner Lapointe said at this time the Commission doesn't have specifics regarding cost. Some of the details known are that the specialized head-hunter (national search firm) would require 25 percent of the first year's salary and additional expenses include an \$800 onetime fee, background checks, and additional administrative costs. The Commission does not have any other cost specifics regarding a regional search firm or from DAS.

Commissioner Duffy and Commissioner Brandsgard agreed that 25 percent of the first year's salary is standard in the industry (even for a regional search firm). The search committee would also include internal candidates of the ICN.

Q – Does the commission have time to review the cost before moving forward?

Commissioner Brandsgard said the Commission would issue an RFP (Request for Proposal), receive proposals from regional firms, and request the approval from the entire Commission to proceed. With Tami Fujinaka's help Commissioner Brandsgard and Commissioner Lapointe will outline a panel for the entire Commission to review for comments and recommendations.

A roll call vote was taken.

Commissioner Duffy – yes
Commissioner Hardman – yes
Commissioner Lapointe – yes
Commissioner Mahaffey – yes
Commissioner Brandsgard – yes

Motion approved.

Other Business

The Commission congratulates Commissioner Duffy for her reappointment for another term with the ITTC.

Dave Lingren stated that Phil Groner and he met with Commissioner Hardman and Commissioner Duffy (Rate Sub-Committee) regarding a pricing issue. The topic will be brought up in the May ITTC meeting.

Dave Lingren also stated while attending the Governor's directors meeting, a consultant for Public Works, LLC, hired by the Governor's Office, gave an update regarding evaluating savings for the communications system on the Capitol Complex. The consultant proposed that the communications system would be replaced with a cellular service, removing ICN's landline service. The solution that the consultant mentioned is oversimplified and does not address call centers, automatic call distributors, IVRs, voice conferencing that cannot be provided by cellular service. They would become separate systems that would be difficult to implement. Dave Lingren

has communicated his concerns with the Governor's office to make sure this issue is understood and would cost more money.

Joseph Cassis updated the Commission regarding the vacant administrative assistant 2 position. There are approximately 313 qualified applicants. That is a reflection of the economy regarding jobs. ICN hopes to have the interviews started in April.

Commissioner Lapointe stated that it looks like ATAC wants more information/education, and the ICN should be more involved with them.

Commissioner Lapointe stated that Mason City is seeking to bring Google to the city. Some people approached Commissioner Lapointe in seeking input from the ITTC and ICN. Is this the type of public/private enterprise the ICN wants to be involved with?

Dave Lingren stated the he did meet with the Governor's office and Senator Gronstal regarding this issue. ICN did volunteer its services and consulting capabilities to assist Google from a state wide perspective.

Joseph Cassis said ICN has been meeting with ETC/ATAC/RTC. ICN has identified a number of opportunities relating to marketing and communication enhancements. Some of the enhancements have been tabled to balance the workload that Lori Larsen has to address.

Adjournment

Commissioners Duffy and Hardman moved to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11 A.M.

ATTESTED TO:



Betsy Brandsgard, Chair, Iowa Telecommunications and Technology Commission