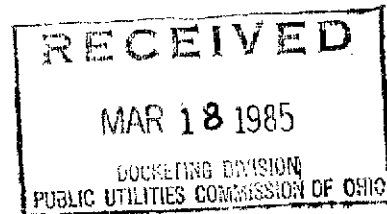




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Honorable Thomas V. Chema, Chairman
Honorable William H. Brooks
Honorable Ashley Brown
Honorable Gloria L. Gaylord
Honorable Alan Schriber
The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Ohio Telecommunications
Advisory Board.
Case No. 83-464-TP-COI
(Subfile A)

Honorable Commission:

Enclosed please find the minutes from the Ohio Telecommunications Advisory Board for the meeting held on February 27, 1985, to be docketed in the above-captioned case.

Chairman

Enclosure

OHIO TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting

February 27, 1985

ATTENDEES:

Members

Gene Hogan - Ohio Bell
John Beall - GTE SPRINT
John Bentine - LEXITEL (Bell, Randazzo & Bentine)
Jeff Nye - AT&T Communications
Don Pokorny - Orwell Telephone Company
Jack Prickett - Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company

OTAB Staff

Dick Brown

The meeting was called, via teleconferencing facilities, at 2:00 p.m. Before proceeding with the agenda, Mr. J. Bentine moved:

"To nominate Mr. G. Hogan as temporary Chairman for purposes of conducting the meeting."

Mr. D. Pokorny seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting then proceeded with the approval of the minutes from the previous meeting as recorded.

Mr. G. Hogan reported on the status of the pool for the second true-up period as well as the administrative expenses to date. A discussion was held concerning required Board action to update procedures for use in the event the Commission approves reimbursement to the carriers for OTAB Board and Administrative Support Staff expenses. Mr. J. Prickett moved:

"That the administrative procedures be revised to provide a mechanism for recovery of Board and Administrative Support Staff expenses incurred since June, 1984. Such procedures should be submitted to the Commission for their approval with the objective of reimbursing Board and Administrative Staff expenses on an on-going basis."

Mr. J. Bentine seconded the motion and the motion carried. Mr. J. Nye raised a question as to the method for calculating interest on pool funds. Mr. D. Brown responded to the question and identified a need to revise the interest rate used in calculating the monthly interest amount to be more reflective of rates available to Ohio Bell as the banking company. The Staff was directed to prepare an alternate procedure for determining the interest rate to be applied to the pool balance. The Staff proposal is to be considered at the time the revised procedures are approved by the Board for submission to the PUCO. Mr. G. Hogan then reported on the third true-up period interim pool status for the month of January.

Mr. G. Hogan requested that Mr. D. Brown provide a status report on the OTAB Staff requirements. Mr. Brown stated that the full Staff will be available for the month of March with some Staff members working on a temporary full-time basis as needed. He reported that certain procedures were being mechanized and that he expected that all Staff members would be shifted to a temporary full-time monthly schedule, effective April 1. Mr. Brown also stated that procedures would be put in place to insure that Staff members were available on an as needed basis for OTABS work not scheduled in advance.

The status of the OTAB membership was discussed. Mr. G. Hogan stated that Mr. J. McGowan has resigned from the Board. Mr. J. Prickett stated that he will be leaving the Board effective April 1. Mr. D. Pokorny announced his plans to resign from the Board following the end of the second true-up period. Resignations and notifications will be made formally to the Commission, in writing, by each of the involved members.

Mr. G. Hogan reported on the status of insurance coverage for the Board. No single carrier has been obtained for the remaining coverage requested by the Board. An effort is being made to obtain several additional carriers who will each underwrite a portion of the remaining requested coverage while keeping the total insurance expenditures within Commission approved limits.

The meeting continued with nominations for a new Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board replacing Messrs. McGowan and Dishong.

Mr. J. Nye moved:

To nominate Mr. G. Hogan as Chairman of the Ohio Telecommunications Advisory Board."

Mr. J. Bentine seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Mr. G. Hogan moved:

"To nominate Mr. J. Nye as Vice Chairman of the Ohio Telecommunications Advisory Board."

Mr. D. Pokorny seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Mr. J. Nye moved:

"That the Board recognize and commend Mr. J. McGowan for his contribution to the Ohio Telecommunications Advisory Board in his capacity as Chairman. His leadership in the formation of the Board and his direction of the Administrative Support Staff during the difficult pool start-up period were invaluable."

Mr. J. Prickett seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Mr. G. Hogan moved:

"That the Board recognize and commend Mr. D. Dishong for his contribution to the Ohio Telecommunications Advisory Board in his capacity as Vice Chairman. His advice and counsel to the Board concerning its operations and procedures during its difficult start-up period were invaluable."

Mr. J. Prickett seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Mr. G. Hogan moved:

"That Mrs. D. Gifford, though not a member of the Board, be recognized and commended for her contribution to the Ohio Telecommunications Advisory Board in her capacity as Recording Secretary."

Mr. D. Pokorny seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The next meeting of the Ohio Telecommunications Advisory Board is scheduled for March 27, 1985 at 10:30 a.m. in Cleveland unless otherwise directed by the Chairman.

The conference call terminated at 3:00 p.m.