

Connecticut State-wide Video Advisory Council

August 22, 2018 - Regular Meeting
Baci Grill, 134 Berlin Rd, Cromwell, CT

Minutes

The Statewide Video Advisory Council meeting was held on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 and called to order at 6:30PM by Chair Merja Lehtinen.

In attendance were the following members: Tad Weinstein, Michael Meinz, Merja Lehtinen, Stephen Fuest, Stewart Strelzer, Russell Gomes, Gregory Davis, Alan Budkofsky, Alex Fraser, Wayne Church, Stephen. Gary Aubin came to represent Comcast/Middletown region as Marco Iacoviello was unable to attend. Philip Markuszka attended as he is in the final stage of being appointed.

There were no providers in attendance.

Secretary Report: The minutes from the June 27th meeting were approved with 3 members abstaining as not in attendance. The motion to approve was made by Steward Strelzer and seconded by Alan Budkofsky.

Treasurers Report: Tad Weinstein gave the report. Merja Lehtinen thanked Tad for doing such a good job.

Provider Reports: The email messages from Laura Jordan from Altice, USA and Brad Palazzo from Comcast were shared with the council. Merja Lehtinen asked Tad Weinstein to speak with the providers to find out if the complaints that are received have been resolved and to give a copy of what they provide to PURA.

Old Business: There was a discussion on the updated By-Laws. The motion to accept was made by Stewart Strelzer and seconded by Alan Budkofsky and approved unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Technical Report: Stephen Simonin spoke about the breakup of video on TV and his experience with Cablevision regarding work done and charges and he has written to Richard Blumenthal regarding the situation.

Legislative Report: Russ Gomes had nothing to report as the meeting was postponed until November. Mike Meinz said that he is concerned about PEGPETIA as the money is being put in the general fund and not being given as grants.

Membership Report: Michael Meinz sent out seven emails and has not received any response back. An email was received that Douglas Poger has resigned.

New Business: None

Public Comments: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori B. Weinstein
SVAC – Recording Secretary