

**MINUTES  
of the  
FIRST MEETING  
of the  
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

**May 26, 2016  
Room 311, State Capitol  
Santa Fe**

The first meeting of the Science, Technology and Telecommunications Committee (STTC) was called to order by Senator Michael Padilla, chair, on May 26, 2016 at 10:04 a.m. in Room 311 of the State Capitol in Santa Fe.

**Present**

Sen. Michael Padilla, Chair  
Rep. James E. Smith, Vice Chair  
Rep. Stephanie Garcia Richard  
Rep. Conrad James  
Rep. Bill McCamley  
Sen. Bill B. O'Neill  
Rep. Carl Trujillo  
Rep. John L. Zimmerman

**Absent**

Sen. William F. Burt  
Rep. Jason C. Harper  
Sen. Daniel A. Ivey-Soto  
Rep. Debbie A. Rodella  
Sen. John C. Ryan

**Advisory Members**

Sen. Carlos R. Cisneros  
Sen. Mary Kay Papen  
Sen. Nancy Rodriguez  
Rep. Nick L. Salazar  
Rep. Luciano "Lucky" Varela

Sen. Jacob R. Candelaria  
Rep. Kelly K. Fajardo  
Sen. Ron Griggs  
Rep. Antonio Maestas  
Sen. Richard C. Martinez  
Sen. Steven P. Neville  
Sen. William H. Payne  
Sen. Peter Wirth  
Rep. Monica Youngblood

**Staff**

Gordon Meeks, Legislative Council Service (LCS)  
Ralph Vincent, LCS  
Shawna Casebier, LCS

**Guests**

The guest list is in the meeting file.

**Handouts**

Handouts and other written testimony are in the meeting file.

**Thursday, May 26**

**Welcome and Introductions**

Senator Padilla welcomed the committee to the first meeting of the STTC for the 2016 interim. Members of the committee, staff and audience were invited to introduce themselves.

**Department of Information Technology (DOIT) Update**

Darryl Ackley, secretary of information technology, provided the committee with an overview of the DOIT and a status report on its current activities. Secretary Ackley explained that through a recent office restructuring, the DOIT not only provides IT services and acts as chief information officer to most state agencies, but it also brokers solutions and acts as a business partner to the agencies. Through the restructuring, Estevan J. Lujan became deputy cabinet secretary, John Padilla took on the chief information officer position and Maria Sanchez is the DOIT general counsel and policy director. Secretary Ackley noted that the DOIT's motto is "Run, Grow and Transform" and that the department is seeking feedback from agencies and will be convening a leadership advisory group to transform and update the department's practices. Recent developments since the restructuring include a new office in broadband services and the planning of geospatial information systems.

Secretary Ackley next summarized for the committee some of the successes and upcoming programs of the DOIT. Secretary Ackley emphasized that the statewide financial and human capital management system, SHARE, is operational and that the DOIT has received good feedback from its users. The DOIT is currently focusing on upgrading SHARE with a process that will take only one day through a virtual platform and is working with the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) to achieve best business practices. Secretary Ackley also apprised the committee that funding has been received for the One-Stop Business Portal, a website that will assist businesses in navigating the processes for obtaining necessary licenses. Vendors are currently being evaluated, and the website is slated to be deployed by the end of the year. In the area of broadband for education, Secretary Ackley stated that the DOIT's goal is to provide one megabit per student by the year 2018 and that a rollout of how the program will look is to take place in the next few weeks. Next, Secretary Ackley discussed the DOIT's broadband initiatives for public safety communication. He stated that New Mexico is one of five early adopters in the United States and that the program will help provide public safety officers with broadband services to increase public safety at large events, such as the state fair and balloon fiesta. The DOIT is working with public safety departments, homeland security and corrections in this effort. Lastly, Secretary Ackley discussed an upcoming joint initiative with the DFA and state treasurer to monitor and protect against cyber threats, such as those faced in credit card transactions.

Questions and discussion included:

- software needed for updates to SHARE;
- inclusion of the New Mexico School for the Deaf for broadband services;

- the status of vacancies on the Information Technology Commission and a proposal to sunset the commission;
- mechanisms to extend broadband infrastructure;
- the work of the Secretary of State's Office on the Campaign Finance Information System; and
- the DOIT's liaison to the legislature.

Members requested that the DOIT give presentations at all meetings of the STTC and continue using the "spreadsheet" approach it provided the committee in the 2014 interim to keep the committee informed of program status. Members requested that the DOIT allocate its time presenting to the committee as follows: one-fourth of its time on tasks that are on track and have no issues to completion; one-fourth of its time on projects that will be started in the next 30 to 90 days; and one-half of its time on projects that are behind schedule or over budget.

### **2016 Interim Work Plan and Meeting Schedule Discussion**

Senator Padilla asked the committee for input on the draft 2016 work plan. Committee members, with input from the audience, discussed the addition of the following items:

- broadband expansion for schools and special schools;
- New Mexico Telecommunications Act reform;
- new and emerging technologies from universities;
- job creation at the research institute level;
- cybersecurity and data breach risks;
- Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) staff analysis on corporate relations with research institutions;
- cash and budget reconciliation between the DFA and the State Auditor's Office;
- the inclusion of economic development components in national laboratory contracts and technical grant matching;
- federal Department of Energy micro-laboratory facilities at national laboratories;
- science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education in public schools;
- enacting a new Tire Recycling Act;
- the efforts by Public Service Company of New Mexico on smart grid and security issues; and
- the LFC staff program evaluation report on the DOIT.

Members of the committee suggested Taos for the location of the committee's August meeting. The committee then approved the work plan and meeting locations, as discussed, with no meeting schedule changes.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business before the committee, the first meeting of the STTC for the 2016 interim adjourned at 11:00 a.m.