

The Broadband Strategy Council

Meeting August 3, 2009

1:30 PM, Judiciary Committee Room, 4th Floor, State House, Augusta, Maine

BBSC Members:

1. Senator Lawrence Bliss, Senate Chair
2. Representative Cynthia Dill, House Chair
3. Senator Christopher Rector
4. Representative Bruce MacDonald
5. Representative Kenneth Fletcher
6. Wayne Gallant, DAFS, Office of Information Technology
7. John Richardson, Commissioner, Department of Economic and Community Development
8. Vendean Vafiades, Commissioner, Public Utilities Commission
9. [Phillip Lindley](#), Executive Director, ConnectME Authority
10. Jeffrey Letourneau, Director, Communications and Network Services, University of Maine System
11. Jeff Mao, MDOE, Maine School and Library Network

AGENDA

1. Brief Recap of 7.24.09 meeting

2. BBSC Outreach to Stakeholders

Senator Bliss – Contact with tribes
Phil Lindley – Outreach efforts

3. BBSC Notice: Discuss Requirements and Stated Goals

All eligible applicants for Broadband Technology Opportunities Program ("BTOP") and/or Broadband Initiatives Program ("BIP") grants pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 are invited to submit substantially completed grant applications to the Maine Broadband Strategy Council ("BBSC") for review, consideration and possible endorsement.

All those seeking BBSC consideration in conjunction with the NOFA proposal deadline of August 14, 2009 for December 2009 awards must submit draft BTOP/BIP applications to the BBSC in advance of the next scheduled meeting on August 3, 2009.

A business plan or project abstract will be considered as a less desirable substitute.

The BBSC hopes to endorse all projects that are complementary to and consistent with the State of Maine's goal of a secure and reliable telecommunications network that provides broadband access to unserved and underserved populations and community anchor institutions, fosters economic development and enhances the delivery of goods and services.

4. Consideration of BTOP/BIP Proposals:

- a. Three Ring Binder Project
- b. Maine Library Learning Network
- c. Others