

DCTA Executive Board Meeting

December 14, 2022

Via Zoom

Present: Derr, Manering, Pulvermacher, Anders, Gibson, Olson, Mathies.

Also Present: Renee Lauber, DCTA.

Meeting called to order by President Derr at 7:02 PM.

Consider November 29, 2022 Minutes

Motion: Pulvermacher/Olson. Approve minutes. Carried unanimously.

Consider Financial Report

Motion: Pulvermacher/Mathies. Approve Financial Report. Carried unanimously.

Consider Per Diem Distribution (Gibson arrived.)

Motion: Olson/Pulvermacher. Approve per diem distribution. Carried unanimously.

Discussion on establishing a written policy for per diems for membership approval followed. Reimbursement is currently for Executive Board meetings and meetings, approved by the President (or Vice President if needed), representing DCTA. Annual/Membership meetings and visits to towns in an Executive Board member's district are not reimbursed. Lauber will work to get this practice into a policy statement for consideration at a January or May Membership Meeting.

Consider support of Dane County's application for a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant

Dane County is planning to apply for funding to increase participation in the affordability program. An email from Alex Andros was reviewed stating only 21% of eligible Dane county residents participate in the program. Outreach efforts will focus on rural portions of the County. The grant deadline is January 9th. Program information can be found at: <https://www.digitalinclusion.org/blog/2022/11/21/acp-outreach-grants-are-here-heres-what-you-need-to-know/>

Motion: Manering/Gibson. Support Dane County's Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant. Carried unanimously.

Consider planning for 2023

The planning session highlighted work in five areas:

1 Stay relevant: Have local government contacts, make informed appointments, participate in committees/task forces/boards

2 We are better together: Goal of 100% town participation.

3 Provide needed training: Workshops for new officials/plan commissions. Ideas: How to run effective meetings and Public Hearings, document retention

4 Educate: Provide relevant webinars, speakers etc. Ideas discussed included processing CUPs, Road maintenance best practices (Feb 15th at the Verona Town Hall?), Planning for climate change and Inflation Reduction Act funding (January 31st),

5 Facilitate collaboration Working with DCCVA, Encourage town collaboration

Motion: Pulvermacher/Mathies: Adjourn at 8:30 pm. Carried unanimously.