

**MINUTES OF THE
UTAH TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION**

Thursday, October 19, 2006 – 8:00 a.m. – Room W110 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. John Dougall, Co-chair
Sen. Beverly Ann Evans, Co-chair
Sen. Karen Hale
Rep. David Clark
Rep. Brad L. Dee
Rep. Neal B. Hendrickson
Mr. Daniel Becker
Mr. J. Stephen Fletcher
Mr. Richard Siddoway
Dr. Gary Wixom

Members Absent:

Sen. David L. Thomas
Rep. David Litvack
Mr. Jason Perry

Staff Present:

Mr. Richard C. North, Policy Analyst
Mr. Christopher R. Parker, Associate General Counsel
Ms. Tracey Fredman, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present, copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1. Commission Business

Chair Evans called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Hendrickson moved to approve the minutes of the November 30, 2005 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Information Technology Consolidation/Annual Report: Department of Technology Services

Mr. Stephen Fletcher, Executive Director, Department of Technology Services, distributed and presented "Update on the Management and Delivery of Technology Services for the State of Utah." Mr. Fletcher discussed the changes that have taken place due to implementation of 2006 General Session H.B. 49, "Department of Technology Services Personnel Transfer – Supplemental Appropriation."

Mr. Ed Ekstrom, Chair, Technology Advisory Board, discussed the consolidation and coordination of state information technologies.

3. Four-Year Biotechnology Degree: Memorandum of Agreement – Update

Dr. Craig Caldwell, Biochemistry, SLCC (Salt Lake Community College), talked about the need for a four-year biotechnology degree in the state.

Ms. Gina Sanzenbacer, Biotechnology Educator, Jordan School District, commented on the success of the program and of students who have found employment. Ms. Sanzenbacer introduced Veronica Cuevas.

Ms. Veronica Cuevas, biotechnology student, commented on her experiences in the program at SLCC and her current employment with ARUP.

Rep. Dougall requested that an audio copy of this meeting be provided to the Board of Regents and the Governor's Office with a recommendation from the Commission.

Dr. James V. Price, Professor of Biology, UVSC (Utah Valley State College), discussed the urgency of this program at UVSC, and what is being done to facilitate it.

Dr. Mark E. Bracken, UVSC, distributed and reviewed the proposed "Budget for UVSC and SLCC's Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology."

Chair Evans asked Rep. Clark to take on this issue.

4. Broadband Connectivity: Women, Infant, and Children's Program (WIC)

Mr. Randy Fisher, Director, Information Technology, Department of Technology Services at Health Department Site, distributed and reviewed "Wic Wan Connectivity," "Summary of Current Long Distance Costs," and "Bear River Health Department, Number of Network Connections."

5. State Science Camp: How Utah is Preparing Students for Science Careers

Dr. Greg Jones, State Science Advisor, reported on ASTEC (the Utah Applied Science, Technology, and Engineering Camps). Dr. Jones presented a video produced by Spy Hop Productions, and distributed "Summer Camp Report: 2006 Clark Planetarium," "College Days," "A Summer Camp for Entering 8th Grad Girls, Westminster College," "Spy Hop Productions Real to Reel," and the homepage of ASTEC.

Mr. Jack Allred, Spy Hop Productions, Mr. Nate Friedman, University of Utah Youth Education, Mr. Duke Johnson, Clark Planetarium, and Dr. Carolyn Connell, Westminster College, commented briefly about their observations of student involvement and enjoyment at their respective ASTEC programs during the 2006 summer.

6. Internet Fraud: Phishing

Representative Bradley M. Daw introduced the issue.

Mr. Michael Place, Director, Emerging Technology, X-Mission, described how prevalent the problems of internet fraud have become. He said there is no technical solution to spam email and phishing, except to educate the public. Mr. Place recommended that the Commission work with anti-spam groups who have already identified those responsible for internet fraud to determine what steps may be taken to lessen the problem.

7. Centers of Excellence Update

Ms. Nicole Toomey Davis, Director, Centers of Excellence, Governor's Office of Economic Development, distributed and presented "The Centers of Excellence Program 2006-07 Update."

8. Other Items / Adjourn

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Sen. Evans outstanding service for the Commission and the Legislature was noted by members and staff.
Sen. Evans shared her appreciation.

MOTION: Mr. Siddoway moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.