# Meeting Minutes August 7, 2019

#### Call to order:

Meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by Bryan Allen

Board members present: Gary Speegle, Shane Fields, Randy Burks, Tim Seymore, Joey Light, George McFarland, Patti Blue, Bryan Allen, and Mary Ross

WTTC Administrator: Mike Wetsel; WTTC Director: Robb McClellan

Visitors: Brit Pursley, Jason Carter, Suzie Steckly, Paul McGuire, Bob Spikes, Mike Neal, Glen Teal, Cary Owens

Introduction of Guests: Hilary Miller was introduced as one of our new Instructional Tech Consultants at Region 14

Roll Call for DL Participants: None

### Approval of Minutes:

Joey Light made a motion to approve the minutes from April 3, 2019. Motion was seconded by George McFarland. Motion approved unanimously.

Board Resignation/Retirement: Retirements announced were Doug Bowden, Bobby Easterling, and Tim Seymore

<u>Board Selection Process Section 3.04 of WTTC Contract:</u> Mr. Fields mentioned that he would like for every area of the region to be represented. He will make an announcement that there are seven committee member openings available for those interested. Mike will work on contract verbiage for the next meeting.

<u>Select New Vice-Chair:</u> Motion was made by Joey Light and Seconded by George McFarland to nominate Patti Blue as committee Vice-Chair. Motion was approved unanimously

### Financial Report:

Robb stated that we are on track with where we are needing to be financially with 73% in the expenditures and 79% revenue. Dr. Randy Burks made the motion to approve the Financial Report. Gary Speegle seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

<u>WAN Update:</u> Mike reported that everyone has fiber and rings are on track to being completed. Towers belong to Conterra and no changes have been made. Mike will be speaking with Conterra at a later date regarding any possible changes with the towers.

<u>USAC Update:</u> Mike reported that he and Shane went to Washington to answer questions about a Special Inquiry from the FCC concerning overbuilding of fiber along with Regions 10 and 15. Three executive directors and 2 administrators met with staffers from 3 FCC Commissioner offices. Region 14 was primarily concerned about funding not being paid as a possible result of the inquiry. We were informed that everything was in order with our procedures and the Special Inquiry was simply to gather information about a possible future rule change

## **Other Action:**

None

Adjourn: 9:50 am