

AGENDA ITEM III.i

GPN Executive Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 3, 2010

Members Present: Claude Garelik, Mark Askren, Bob Zimmerman, Gary Allen, James Deaton joined on item #9.

Others Present: Greg Silvey, MORENET, Bill Mitchell, GPN, Greg Monaco, GPN, Michael Ruhrdanz, UNL

Absent: Denise Stephens

1. Called to Order at 1:36. There were no additional agenda Items.
2. Mark moved and Gary seconded approval of Minutes of February 3, 2010. Motion passed.
3. Financial Reports: Greg Silvey mentioned that Ciena is close to paying for their affiliation fee for 2010. Juniper paid their 2009 Annual Meeting sponsorship thanks to Jo. Bill explained billing for the second 10 Gig connection. The budget needs to be revised by \$15,000, and that sum would be taken from the network program reserve. Bob moved and Mark seconded approval of the February financial statement. There was some discussion of the format in which the financial information is presented. The format will be worked on. Motion carried.
4. Consortium/CI Goals and Activities Progress Report. Monaco reviewed his written report. Bob moved and Mark seconded three sets of awards to graduate students in the amounts of 300, 200, 100 at the annual meeting. Motion carried.
5. Mark recommended adding Ron Roeber to the CI Advisory Committee. Mark described Ron's background and experience relevant to the committee. Claude recommended letting Rick McMullen decide and then send a letter of invitation to Ron.
6. Network Program Goals and Activities Progress Report: Bill reviewed his written report. Claude asked whether Kent has tested the connection to Fermi through ESnet. Michael said that he has not seen that the test is complete. Greg and Claude discussed that the ESnet connection might make a good GPN newsletter story.
7. Networking Program Update
 - a. Michael Ruhrdanz reported that Networking Program Operating Guidelines have been amended, and Bill Mitchell was selected to lead the committee.
 - b. Claude reported on the Interent2 Joint Techs Meeting and that virtual environments for HPC are not as efficient as the real thing. The presentations are available online and Claude will send these to Greg Monaco and Gary. There was also a good presentation on the use of Iperf.
 - c. Bill reported on the I2/NLR Joint BTOP Proposal. New route maps are out. There is some question about whether it competes with a Northern Tier proposal. I2 will be the applicant and NLR will be a sub-awardee. Fiber builds will be split between the two organizations, if it is successful. They are asking for \$40 Million, and were encouraged by FCC to submit.
8. Bill provided a draft letter of support for the I2/NLR BTOP Proposal. Mark moved and Claude seconded approving that Bill amend and submit it for final comments to the EC, prior to submission to I2/NLR. Motion passed. Bill noted that if anyone in the region is submitting a BTOP proposal, there is a way to soft link the proposal to the I2/NLR proposal.
9. Bill reported on the Internet2 CEO search.
10. The spring EC Meeting will be Tuesday, April 27, noon to 3pm Central time. It will be face-to-face in Washington, DC. Bill will arrange for a conference phone for those that cannot attend in person. Although the work of CI and Network committees may not be finished, this is a good opportunity to start brain-storming on budget and governance and structure.
11. Gary moved and James seconded that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed.