

**RINET Board of Directors
Business Meeting
March 3, 2006**

Minutes

The January 6, 2006 Minutes were approved unanimously.

Motions

Jim Halley moved to accept the Budget report.

Reports

- The Mid-Year Budget Review was presented to the board. The mid year review indicates that RINET may end the FY with a slightly smaller deficit than originally projected.
- Staff Performance Review (Business Operations Supervisor) – Sharon reported on Melanie’s excellent performance and the salary increase was approved by the Executive Committee.
- Gathering of State Networks 2006 Overview
 - Hot topics and trends
 - CALEA—federal wiretapping and how that affects state networks. The interpretations are unclear and could be challenged in court—Who/at what level is tapping required? Still a grey area. The difficulty is in giving the FBI access to one specific person’s communications.
 - Statenets has been reduced from a subcommittee of Net@edu to a special topic. This may lead RINET to refocus its energies on CoSN.

New Business

- Evaluation of ED—Mike S. is willing to lead the process for this year.

Unfinished Business

Discussion

- IP Telephony system at RINET—The network team is working with Cisco.
- Generator Purchase—still waiting for APC specs. Applying for a grant pending receipt of specifications.
- RINET SIS – New implementations in progress, training is going well. Survey results show that RINET trainers are better received than SchoolMAX trainers.
- ePortfolio
 - Clarify payment cycle (perhaps not yet clear to districts). Bill suggested that RINET bill by fiscal year. Prepare data, budget and contract on this for next worksession meeting.
 - Concern was expressed regarding the need for enhanced communication between RINET and RIDE.
- RIASC RFP for telecommunications to districts — Vendors have been expressing confusion over this.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00pm.