

**Cable Television Committee
Minutes
November 12, 2002**

These are the minutes for the Sudbury Cable Advisory Committee meeting of November 12, 2002 that was held in the Main Sudbury Fire Station.

We still need the Town Hall wiring diagram.

In attendance are Kevin Griggs, Jeff Winston, Don Ziter, Jeff Winston, and Peggy Fredrickson.

Rick Dorman reports that there are a lot of things coming in for the bulletin board, they taped a football game but haven't edited it yet,

Plan on having three workshops, one each season except summer. He has been in contact with the Senior Center who is putting things on the bulletin board.

Will be taping public service announcements.

Town Hall sound - HiFi setting on the recorder does not record any sound that we can play back.

Want to buy new auto-playback system. A controller and four DV decks. DV decks can play mini-DV tapes. This will be \$11,500. Leightronics MiniT Pro controller.

For what we do, we need tape to tape editing for DV. This would require a source and destination recorder plus a controller.

Want to set up video production in the library. To plan it out, Don Ziter should get Michael Pincus who planned out the Town Hall last year. Mark Thompson should accompany.

We also need to get some better lights for the studio. The current lights are too soft.

Saturday is the Hope Sudbury telethon, 4 PM to 10 PM. Will take place in high school auditorium and studio.

Gigabit Ethernet. Bob Kavanaugh wanted to use 100 MegaHz network using the spare I-net pair. We negotiated with ATTb to get the 100 MHz network. But we did not get an agreement for ATTb to maintain the net even though they own it. Then Bob decided he wanted gigabit network instead. L-S decided they wanted ATTb Internet access. Last week Jeff got call from assistant superintendant of k-8. She said they would try 100 MHz first, after all, but in parallel with the MEC provider. She used to be on the MEC board. MEC is Massachusetts Educational Cooperative. Each school would need a firewall on Internet if they are to keep their Federal funding. MEC has been doing the filtering for them up until now and they would be willing to do this for the ATTb connections. Qualification for the Federal funding means that the schools can get an E-rate for network components (routers, etc.) and other things. MEC gives them two Class C internet addresses. ATTb says they cannot give them more addresses. Noyes will have T1 as

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main Internet line (connected to MEC) and cable modem as backup. Will get rid of five T1 lines to schools plus a connection to Fairbanks.

I-net video and digital in same cabinet. Will be separated in a few weeks.

The library is paying \$500 per computer per year (12 computers) plus \$400 per month for a T1 line to the Minutemen. They will also have a wireless connection, within a few months.

Willis Hill Road will be getting cable by January or February.

We got the semi-annual proof of performance test results.

Earthlink is coming to Sudbury as the broadband ISP. Also, AOL. Default is ATTb.

Analog premium tiers are no longer being offered.

Lower 80 channels on the cable are still analog.

If you take the \$10 per month service, there is a block on the pole next to your house. If you get that or basic, then you can connect directly to your TV set. Actually, the only people that need a cable box are those who still have the analog premium service.

I-Net will be connecting to the water department. We still have to work getting a connection to the new maintenance building. It is connected to the old building.

The meeting concluded at 9:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marty Greenstein