

**1. Call to order and attendance: 7:34am**

*Present:* Ms. Hoepfner, Mr. Montgomery, Sen. Steadman, Rep. Benefield, Sen. Cadman, Rep. Nikkel (Ms. Haller and Ms. Collins were late) *Excused:* Mr. Fellman. Quorum present.

*Others Present:* Scott Nachtrieb (Legislative Council), Mike Nelson (Comcast), Deb Lastowka, Laura Graves (OMF), Ed Krisor, Rep. Labuda, Bart Miller (Legislative Legal Services), Scott Yates, KBDI.

**a. Review & approval of April 9th, 2010 meeting minutes**

Ms. Hoepfner moved and it was seconded by Sen. Steadman that the notes be approved. The motion was adopted *After the meeting, Ms. Haller approached Ms. Graves to indicate a typo to be corrected on last page: change NON-PARTISAN to "Partisan". Ms. Graves will do so & re-post notes on the website.*

**b. Public Comment Period**

NONE

**2. Update on Fundraising Event**

**a. Ms. Hoepfner indicated the event has been rescheduled for November due to a lack of venue.**

Sen. Cadman: stated the date is more important than venue if the goal is to get more Representatives and Senators to attend. He suggested setting Thurs. Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> as a good date, and the subcommittee should look for an alternative site/venue. Sen. Cadman also suggested that since leadership elections are in the morning of the 4<sup>th</sup>, that maybe a lunch or dinner event could be held instead. Ms. Hoepfner indicated that DU's Cable Center is booked all of that day. Rep. Nikkel said she would talk with car dealers association about their venue. If there is to be a new time set for event, please give any more suggestions to Ms. Hoepfner of the sub-committee.

**b. Alternative event offered: (Ms. Hoepfner)**

The Democratic Caucus has scheduled an optional, off-site bipartisan satirical evening which will benefit the Channel on Monday, May 10th at 6:30pm. Rep. Nikkel was asked to be in charge of collecting money by Chairwoman Benefield. Mr. Krisor indicated that it is acceptable to receive checks payable to CCAB. Ms. Hoepfner will be working the door.

**3. Other Items**

**a. Additional content sub-committee meeting. 9 am today, HCR 111 (just announcement)**

**b. Current Contract Payment to OMF**

Mr. Krisor noted the board has received funds from state and they have been deposited into CCAB bank account. A check for OMF for \$60,500.00 needed to be approved and. Rep. Nikkel moved to approve the payment and Sen. Steadman seconded the motion which was approved unanimously. Mr. Krisor indicated that there is only one more payment due, which can be dealt with at June Mtg. Once a new contract is approved with OMF, a part of the contract can provide that all payments to be approved as long as money in the account.

**c. Discussion with Comcast**

Mr. Nelson and Scott Nachtrieb were invited to the table. A discussion ensued over concerns with showing Channel 165 content on 'over the air' stations like KBDI, since it's currently only available to digital Comcast subscribers. It was also suggested that the Co Channel start showing KBDI content about Colorado state government on Channel 165. It was noted that the CCAB needs to develop in conjunction with Comcast, an umbrella guideline that can be used for all content.

Mr. Nelson indicated that Comcast's initial reaction was that they were not all that enthused but they would

like more detailed information concerning the amount of content and how it would be delivered. Rep. Benefield invited him to join the additional content sub-committee.

Ms. Hoepfner asked Mr. Nelson about the ongoing switch from analog to digital. She wondered if the Colorado Channel will become available to every level of cable subscriber once this switch is complete. Mr. Nelson indicated that he did not know of any plan to change what is included in different subscriber packages. However, because Comcast doesn't pay the state to carry this channel, Comcast may expand the distribution to all levels of subscribers. He also noted that the channel is not currently available in Trinidad or the mountain communities, but once the fiber connection is completed using fiber leased from CDOT, then mountain communities will have access to the channel. Trinidad will remain without access to the channel.

Ms. Hoepfner indicated that the channel isn't listed in the TV guide nor has she seen any public service announcements concerning the channel. Ms. Collins suggested a PSA about the channel could run on other stations to let the public know about the channel. Mr. Nelson indicated that there are currently two old PSAs available and they could be updated soon.

Mr. Scott Yates was invited to table to update Ms. Collins on the PBS partnership idea.

#### **4. Next Meeting Date**

Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup> 10 am. Laura Graves will secure a SCR for this meeting.

Adjourned at 8:01 am.

#### *June meeting proposed agenda items:*

Executive Director - Rep. Benefield will talk with Mr. Krisor and Mr. Nachtrieb prior to meeting

New contract with OMF for period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011

Future payments to OMF

Amendment of current budget

Adoption of a budget for 2011

Additional content sub-committee report

Meeting schedule

Fund-raising event update, next sub-committee meeting date to be set