**Governor’s Task Force on Broadband**

**Tuesday, September 24, 2024**

**10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Gardonville Cooperative Telephone Association

800 Central Ave N, Brandon, MN 56315

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**10:00 a.m. – 10:10 a.m**. **Welcome + approval of minutes from August 19th, 2024, Task Force Meeting**

Teddy Bekele, Chair, Minnesota Governor’s Task Force on Broadband

**10:10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.** **Introduction to Gardonville Coop Telephone Association**

Dave Wolf, CEO, Gardonville Coop Telephone Association

**10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.** **Introduction from Senator Putnam**

Senator Aric Putnam, Chair Agriculture, Broadband, and Rural Development

**10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Sub-Group progress share out + updates**

Affordability & Digital Equity

Economic Opportunity & Workforce

Mapping, Funding, & Policy

**11:00 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.** **PCs for People**

Casey Sorenson, CEO, PCs for People

Susan Miller, National Manager – New Markets, PCs for People

*A nonprofit that provides computers, low cost internet and computer repair to low income families. We fund our mission by providing secure, responsible electronics recycling as a free service for businesses and use the proceeds and equipment to provide the life changing benefit of digital access*

**11:25 a.m. – 11:35 a.m.** **Break**

**11:35 a.m.—12:00 p.m.**  **HealtheMed, Inc. - A MN-based Public Benefit Corporation**

Steve Pontius, CEO, HealtheMed (formerly founder of MinuteClinic)

Ron Mandelbaum, Executive Vice President & Co-Founder, HealtheMed

*HealtheMed is a mission driven and innovative tele-health provider dedicated to enriching the lives of underserved populations all across the State of Minnesota. Through our innovative “Clinic@Home” digital system of health we keep Medicaid waivered participants in the community longer by enabling coordination and access to the essential supports they need, in the comfort of their own home. We want these important citizens to become more independent and live as fulfilling a life as possible which they are now able to achieve with our technology enabled high-engagement system. Closing the digital divide and bringing broadband to the underserved is a necessary and key driving force in creating greater health equity.*

**12:00p.m. – 12:15 p.m.** **Office of Broadband Development Overview + BEAD and Digital Opportunity Updates**

Bree Maki, Executive Director, OBD

Diane Wells, Deputy Director, OBD

Hannah Buckland, Digital Equity Program Lead, OBD

**12:15 p.m. – 12:20 p.m.** **Other Business, October 21st Meeting Plans, Wrap-up**

**12:20 p.m. – 12:35 p.m.**  **Sub-Group meeting time**

**12:35 p.m. – 1p.m.** **Tour of Gardonville Coop headquarters & demonstration**

*Tour for in-person attendees; meeting adjourned at 12:30pm for virtual guests*