**Governor’s Task Force on Broadband**

**November 2, 2017**

**Minnesota Senate Office Building – Room 2308**

**95 University Avenue West**

**St. Paul, MN 55155**

**10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Task Force Members present:** Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Hannah Buckland, Denise Dittrich, Kevin Hansen, Shannon Heim, Bernadine Joselyn, Steve Lewsader, Don Niles, Jody Reisch, Andy Schriner, Dick Sjoberg and Paul Weirtz

**Task Force Members Participating by Phone:** Neela Mollgaard and Dan Richter

**Task Force Members Absent:** Maureen Ideker

**Others in attendance:** John Dukich, Ann Finn, Allison Hardle, Danna MacKenzie, Mike Nguyen, Ann Treacy, Megan Verdeja, Diane Wells

1. **Introductions, Approval of Minutes, Public Comments**

Members of the Task Force and members of the public attending the meeting introduced themselves. The minutes of the October 12, 2017 Task Force meeting were approved. There were no public comments.

1. **Update from the Office of Broadband Development**

Danna Mackenzie provided an update on activities of the OBD. Shannon Heim and Bernadine Joselyn provided a report on the Blandin Broadband Conference held October 25-26, 2017.

1. **Updated Cost to Deploy Broadband**

The Task Force had a discussion of the costs to deploy broadband in Minnesota using the Border to Border Broadband grant program results.

1. **Subcommittee Review Time**

The subcommittees met to discuss the information included in the draft annual report.

1. **Discussion of Task Force Report and Recommendations**

The Task Force discussed the draft report and next steps.

1. **December Meeting/Wrap-up/Adjourn**

Steve Lewsader announced that December would be his last meeting as a member of the Task Force.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.