

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE FOR
EMERGING TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
MEETING MINUTES
February 23, 2011**

Call meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order by Council Member Morrison at 3:10pm.

1. General Citizen Communications (3 minutes to speak)

There were no speakers.

2. Approval of minutes from the January 25, 2011 regular committee meeting.

A motion to adopt the minutes as to form from the January 25, 2011 Council Committee for Emerging Technology & Telecommunications regular meeting was made by Council Member Shade; seconded by Council Member Riley. Vote 3-0.

3. Presentation: SXSW Technology Summit (Hugh Forrest, SXSW Event Director)

Mr. Forrest provided information on the SXSW Technology Summit which will be March 16 & 17, 2011, which will immediately follow the SXSW Interactive Festival which runs March 11 through 15, 2011. Mr. Forrest stated that the Summit and the Interactive portion of SXSW have both grown considerably since their beginnings.

4. Presentation: Emerging Technology Training and Mentorship at Austin School of Film (Austin School of Film @ Motion Media Arts Center, Co-Founders and Co-Executive Directors Erica Shamaly and Anne Goetzmann Kelley)

Ms. Shamaly presented information on the Austin School of Film including their two-year certificate program in Film Production.

5. Update: ME Television (Neil Hand, General Manager)

Mr. Hand provided an update on the activities of METV including their move to new facilities at the Austin Studios campus. This move has helped to reduce their overhead.

6. Briefing: Austin Connects, 2nd Annual Community Technology Symposium (Rondella Hawkins, Telecommunication and Regulatory Affairs Manager)

Ms. Hawkins stated that the symposium will be on March 1, 2011 at the AMD campus.

7. Consider agenda items for next meeting, scheduled for 3:00 pm Thursday, April 14, 2011 or at the call of the committee chair.

The Committee would like to receive the results of the technology survey completed by the Telecommunications and Regulatory Affairs Office in conjunction with The University of Texas. The Committee would also like a presentation on the new City website including “Open Austin” and plans for the data portal.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03pm by Council Member Morrison.