

MULTITYPE AUTOMATION GROUP IN COOPERATION

RESOLUTION NO. 10-02

ESTABLISHING THE PROCESS FOR BOARD MEMBERS' PARTICIPATION BY ELECTRONIC MEANS IN MEETINGS

WHEREAS, the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 *et seq.*, allows for participation of members of a public body in a meeting via electronic means in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, electronic participation, which includes video or audio conference, is allowed if a quorum of the members of the public body is physically present at the location of an open or closed meeting; and

WHEREAS, in order to permit electronic attendance at meetings, the public body must pass rules regarding when electronic participation is permitted; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the Multitype Automation Group in Cooperation ("MAGIC") desires to allow for electronic attendance in certain circumstances and in accordance with state law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of MAGIC, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the recitals set forth above are incorporated as Section 1 of this Resolution.

SECTION 2: Notices of meetings to be conducted in which a Board member participates by electronic means shall be given in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Minutes of such meetings shall reflect which Board member(s) attended via electronic means.

SECTION 3: The following rules shall apply for the conduct of any meeting at which any Board member participates via video or audio conference:

A. Except where it is not practicable, the Board member who cannot be physically present at a meeting for one of the reasons described below and who wishes to attend via electronic means shall give notice to the President, Secretary, or MAGIC Director not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting date.

B. If the Board member provides notice of electronic participation before the meeting agenda is posted, the names of any Board members who will participate via electronic means shall be listed on the agenda, and the agenda shall state whether the Board member is participating via video or audio conference. In all other cases, the Board member presiding at the meeting shall announce the name of the Board member participating via electronic means, the Board member's method of participation, and the qualifying reason for it in the record before roll call is taken.

C. Board members may participate in a meeting via electronic means if the members are prevented from physically attending for any of the following reasons:

1. Personal illness or disability;
2. Employment purposes;
3. Absence due to MAGIC business; or
4. Family or other emergency.

D. At all meetings where a Board member participates via electronic means, all votes shall be taken by roll call vote. The Board member, if participating via audio conference, must, each time he/she wishes to speak, identify himself/herself by name and be recognized by the presiding officer before speaking.

E. The member participating electronically and other members of the Board must be able to communicate effectively, and any members of the audience at the meeting in question must be able to hear all communications at the meeting site. Before allowing electronic attendance at any meeting, the Board shall provide electronic communication equipment adequate to accomplish this objective at the meeting site.

SECTION 4: That the President is authorized and directed to sign and the Secretary is authorized and directed to attest to this Resolution.

SECTION 5: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

ADOPTED by the Multitype Automation Group in Cooperation this 15th day of December, 2010.

VOTE:

AYES: 11

NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

Ann Kennedy
MAGIC President

ATTEST:

Kevin Davis
MAGIC Secretary