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Dear colleagues,

Here is a proposed agenda for our next conference call, which is tomorrow morning at 10.

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- Prepare proposed next steps for DALNET committee review. What do we want to recommend at the 22 April DALNET Board meeting?

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Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2002 7:27 PM

To: Scott P. Muir; Patricia Orr; Leo A. Papa; Ann Walaskay; Bosler, Jerry

Subject: RE: DALNET Planning Team: meeting 6 follow-up

Dear DALNET Planning Team colleagues,

Thank you for a productive meeting yesterday. Here is my understanding of our actions and agreements:

- Our intent is to use upcoming meetings to put the Board in a position where it can make informed decisions about our preferred future, addressing questions such as: Should we stabilize our current system? Do we want to move to a different system down the line? So we agreed to suggest that the Board devote time at upcoming meetings for a post mortem on last year's retreat, and for discussing the big questions that came up during that session.
- 2) At the 22 April meeting, Randy Dykhuis has agreed to update the Board on the ATLAS project. We identified three questions for Randy: (1) Might DALNET serve as a prototype

- for ATLAS? (2) What are the national trends among consortia that are pushing ATLAS developments? (3) Can Randy D recommend consultants who can compare and contrast what DALNET is doing with national trends?
- 3) Since we'll be immersed in Horizon 7.2 and iPac 2.01 implementation, and since the Board will need to have a sense of what these enhancements can do for us before making informed decisions epixtech's ability to support the DALNET vision, we agreed that it seems wise to delay the retreat until later this year. I'll let Lou know that we are looking at scheduling a retreat later this year, probably in November or December, rather than July.
- 4) Based on our discussion, here is a revised proposed schedule for upcoming Board meetings:

April 2002: Set the context: Invite Randy Dykhuis to provide an overview of the ATLAS Portal Project, to ensure that DALNET is on the same page as statewide initiatives. Continue discussion on the gateway. Demonstrate gateway models. What do we expect a gateway to provide? Identify questions to ask *epixtech*.

May 2002: The Board, IHDC and other DALNET stakeholders meet with *epix* representatives to discuss *epixtech's* strategy for affording seamless access to diverse resources.

June 2002: Assess what we learned in meeting with *epixtech*. Act on Planning Team recommendations for revised committee structure. Begin devoting time at each Board meeting to discuss progress on big questions that came up in last year's retreat.

July - October 2002: Continue discussing last year's retreat topics. Finalize plans for retreat.

November - December 2002: Hold retreat to set DALNET's future goals and objectives.

Next steps: 2003

Implement plans developed as a result of the planning retreat.

5) To prepare for discussing the DALNET committee structure during our next conference call, we agreed to send each other our thoughts about what an effective committee structure for DALNET might look like. [My notes for this section are incomplete. Can someone help me flesh out exactly what it was we agreed to do on this piece, please?]

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