

**North Carolina Telecommunications Industry Association  
Program Development Committee**

The Committee met on January 29, 2007 at NCTIA Offices, Sanford, NC.

Present were: Herb Long, Ellerbe, Chair; Jeff Shipp, Star; Tracy Sternberg, Embarq; John Wicker, Lexcom Telephone (via Conference call); Jim Humphrey, Tyco Electronics Power; Hal Carnes, CBW; Ann Simpkins, FairPoint (via conference call); Tommy Nelson, Power and Telephone; Richard Royal, Nortel Networks; Board Liaison Charles Pickelsimer, Citizens; NCTIA Chairman of the Board Bill Craige, Alltel Wireless; NCTIA President Carole Woodward; NCTIA staff Rebecca Wyhof. Absent: Hayden McKenzie, North State; Board Liaison Stan Pace, Verizon; Tom Brady, CIENA..

Chairman Herb Long called the meeting to order. Committee members gave self introductions. Long thanked members for their participation.

**2007 Program of Work, Vision and Program Development Committee** - NCTIA Board Chairman Bill Craige expressed appreciation to members of the committee for their hard work. He reviewed the 2007 Vision and Mission. Carole Woodward reviewed the Board process for development of the 2007 Program of Work and discussed the committee structure and Calendar of Events. The Committee requested that Board Liaisons have voting privileges due to significant recommendations for NCTIA future programs that arise from the committee's work.

**2007 Annual Golf Championship** - Proposals will be obtained from Prestonwood, Grandover, Asheboro, Rock Barn in Hickory, and Washington Duke for October 15 or 29, 2007. Financial report from the 2006 Golf Championship were reviewed.

**2007 Annual Convention Contract-** Proposals were reviewed for 2007 Annual Convention:

Pinehurst - August 12-14 or August 26-28 \$140

Ballantyne - August 5-7 \$209 or August 9-11 \$229

Grove Park Inn - August 19-21 or August 26-28 \$189, Sept 2-4 \$159

Sheraton Greensboro - August 12-14, August 19-21 \$120, Sept. 10-12 \$122

Embassy Suites Concord - Sept. 9-11 \$129

Following much discussion regarding the scheduling of annual convention and the conflict with school starting on August 27, the Committee voted to move forward with Grove Park Inn – August 19-21 or Embassy Suites Concord on Sept 9-11.

**The 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Draft Program and Theme is under consideration for next meeting**

Theme:

**Legislative / Regulatory**

**Technology**

**Competition**

**Chairman's Awards Luncheon Keynote**

**Registration Materials** - A target "Save the date" and distribution schedule was not completed.

**Next Committee Meeting is a site visit to Embassy Suites in Concord on February 18-19, 2007.**