

Logistics Task Force Meeting
February 22, 2011
Raleigh, NC

Lt. Governor Walter Dalton, Chairman of the Logistics Task Force, called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 in Raleigh, NC with the following members present:

Tom Eagar, Gene Conti, Al Delia and Jed McMillan attended on behalf of Keith Crisco.

The following members participated via conference call: Dee Blackwell, John Atkins, Dan Danieleley, Earl Brinkley, David Willauer, Gary Teng, Lew Ebert, Pat Long, Paul Kauffman, Paul Friday and Carl Ferguson participated for Beth Austin.

Others in attendance were: Bradford Sneed, Roberto Canales, Laura Blair, Moy Biswas, Amy Simes, Seth Palmer and Charlie Diehl. John Goodman participated via conference call.

Chairman Dalton welcomed everyone and thanked those that were participating via conference call. He asked Seth Palmer to discuss the document to be presented to the Governor from the Logistics Task Force.

Mr. Palmer discussed the information in the report. It contains a brief overview of what the Logistics Task Force has done so far, as well as a summary of the work done by the North Carolina State University led research team on the "Seven Portals Study". It also included recommendations related to improving the governance structures of our state's transportation assets.

The report discussed the movement of the North Carolina Railroad, the North Carolina Ports Authority and the North Carolina Global TransPark Authority being combined under one entity with one governing oversight body. Also discussed in the report was the establishment of Class One Rail service by more than one railroad to the Global TransPark and the State Ports. The final paragraph is the consideration of further realignment of the North Carolina Board of Transportation. This would allow for 2 members to come from each of the respective regional boundaries and 5 members to be treated as "at-large members". This will retain the 19 members on the NCBOT.

Chairman Dalton opened the floor for questions.

David Willauer asked if the State Ports Authority would keep their Board. Mr. Palmer responded that all three entities will keep the structure they currently have.

Pat Long asked how the Board of Transportation will be appointed. Mr. Palmer responded they will continue to be appointed by the Governor

David Willauer expressed concern regarding the issue of passenger transportation. Mr. Palmer stated that passenger transportation is still in the mix and he will make sure it is further clarified when the Logistics Task Force begins their working meetings in the summer.

Chairman Dalton asked for a motion to approve the report to be sent to the Governor. A motion was made by Tom Eagar, and seconded by Pat Long. The vote was unanimous with the exception of Task Force Member John Atkins who opposed.

Chairman Dalton announced the next meeting of the Logistics Task Force will be Monday, March 14, 2011, at Fort Bragg. Information will be sent out within the next week.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.