

**Governor's Logistics Task Force
Best Practices Subcommittee Meeting
NC Department of Transportation
Raleigh, NC
July 29, 2010**

Minutes

Chairman Dan Danieley called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. In addition to Danieley, Subcommittee members Dr. Gary Teng and Dr. Paul Kauffmann participated by telephone, as did Seth Palmer of the Office of Lt. Governor Walter Dalton. Subcommittee staff representative Charlie Diehl also attended.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2010 meeting. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Chairman Danieley reviewed the discussions of the last meeting, specifically re-iterating that this subcommittee will focus on learning what works well in other places and apply that knowledge where applicable to best serve North Carolina. Foreign Trade Zones in Taiwan and Europe, as well as AllianceTexas, Huntsville, AL, and the Virginia Inland Port facilities were listed as examples to study.

Kauffmann commented on his experiences in Norfolk, and offered that it is instructive to see what businesses are drawn to an operation (such as the Virginia Inland Port) and who takes advantage of the services they provide.

Teng mentioned Norfolk's heavy defense concentration and the similar opportunities that North Carolina has. Additionally, he cited Governor Beverly Perdue's stated goals regarding aerospace concentration opportunities in our state.

Kauffman added that the research will help North Carolina identify multiple industry clusters to develop or grow. He also mentioned the "gateway" function to large markets that facilities such as Huntsville and Virginia Inland Port serve.

Teng re-iterated his point from the previous meeting about the importance of exports and the opportunities North Carolina can provide in support.

Danieley discussed “next steps” for the subcommittee. Kauffmann suggested that we benchmark other facilities and get a better feel for what commodities they are handling, and in what volumes. Danieley mentioned that some of this groups work will involve using data or findings from the other subcommittees, but we have to begin our work now. Palmer added that Lt. Governor Dalton has strongly encouraged interaction between the four subcommittees.

Danieley announced that he would like to have a brief meeting of this subcommittee at some point before, during, or after the full Logistics Task Force meeting in Lenoir on August 25th.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Diehl
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