

MICHIGAN NATOA CHAPTER
March 28, 2007
SWOCC Studios, Farmington

Meeting called to order by MI NATOA President Kathy Sherman at 1:30 PM.

Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Representatives

Orjiakor Isiogu, Director of Telecommunications
Ryan McAnany, Analyst, Telecommunications Division

Attendance

David Albery, Greater West Bloomfield Cable Board
David Bertram, MI Townships Association
Beth Bialy, Plante & Moran
Janet Christian, Waterford Cable Commission
Caren Collins, SWOCC
Jason Dale, City of Rochester Hills
Hap Haasch, Community Access Center, Kalamazoo
Leslie Helwig, Bloomfield Township
Don Huegerich, Oxford Community TV
Bill Irving, City of Dearborn
Jeff Jenks, Huntington Woods
Amy Kohagen, City of Owosso
Kristin Kolb, Secrest Wardle/SWOCC
Tony Lehmann, Huntington Woods
Rosanne Martell, Livonia Cable Commission
Celeste McDermott, Detroit Cable Communications Comm.
Lowell Peterson, Livonia Cable Commission
Ralph Salmeron, City of Ann Arbor, Community Television Network
Kathy Sherman, City of Southfield
Mike Watzka, Kitch/Protec, Grosse Pointes
Cathryn White, City of Livonia
Jay Wiencko, Community Media Network
Sue Witkowski, City of Southfield

Discussion

Members generated a list of 20 communities that are known, at this date, to have received a Uniform Video Services Local Franchise Agreement from AT&T.

The MPSC representatives explained the MPSC's role in administering PA 480. There was much concern from MI NATOA members about MPSC's ability and interest in handling consumer complaints. Mr. Isiogu and Mr. McAnany said the MPSC was prepared to handle all complaints, but encouraged the local governments to take care of their own citizens. Mr. McAnany will be the primary contact. He may be reached at 517.241.6200 or mcananyr@michigan.gov.

MI NATOA members also expressed much concern about the size and quantity of AT&T boxes being installed throughout communities. Huntington Woods and Commerce Township have been particularly affected.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.