

**ARCHITECTURAL WOODWORK INSTITUTE
GEORGIA CHAPTER**

TYPE:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING / MILL TOUR
DATE:	Thursday, October 25, 2007
LOCATION:	HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS AND T&S HARDWOODS
ADDRESS:	MILLEDGEVILLE, GA
PURPOSE:	4th QUARTER MEETING, MILL TOUR
PRESIDENT	MARK RILES

Board Members in Attendance:

- President: Mark Riles – Columbus Cabinets
- Treasurer: Dan Cox – Peach State Lumber
- Membership: Cody Matherne - Randall Brothers, Inc.
- Architectural: Karl Brohammer – Georgia Tech
- Bylaws: John Lunday – Dixie-Pacific Columns
- Website Support: Mike Ford – Flexible Materials

1. Meeting Call to Order (Mark Riles) 9:15AM
2. National AWI Conference: Cody Matherne gave a report on his trip to the national convention in Lexington, Kentucky. Cody attended the following Lectures and discussed highlights. The Lectures were:
 - a. Increased profitability and Competitiveness - by Kenneth Lerman
 - b. Leeds certification discussion.
 - c. Innovative hiring practices by surveying local high schools and recruiting top students with awards and banquets.
3. Speaker: Dale Hamilton – T&S Hardwoods
 - a. Dale is a salesman for T&S and certified lumber grader.
 - b. Discussed NHLA grading rules and how they are used at the mill.
 - c. General questions and mix of southern hardwoods milled at T&S.
4. Meeting Closed (10:00AM)
5. Attendance (35) half were students from Georgia Tech
6. Mill Tour:
 - a. 2 Groups drove to the mill.
 - b. Saw red oak being sawn and graded.
 - c. Observed the different grades of oak.
 - d. Learned how T&S uses technology to maximize yield form a log.
 - e. Observations: The tour was very informative. We had great weather and a great turnout.