

About the ATP

The Association of Telecommunications Professionals, Inc., is a not-for-profit Ohio corporation and exempt from federal income tax. Its purpose is to promote effective design, operation, and management of telecommunications systems. ATP provides tangible benefits for member companies by providing a bi-monthly meeting atmosphere conducive to the mutual exchange of ideas, innovations and applications among the **Members**. This interchange also provides the **Membership** opportunities for advancement in professional expertise in telecommunication. **Telecommunication** refers to all aspects of information exchange: voice; data; and video.

ATP facilitates the exchange of information and experiences for the mutual benefit of the **Members**; Encourages technological development and research in telecommunications; Fosters the enhancement and development of the telecommunications management function; Evaluates and disseminates details and effects of regulatory changes; Provides and supports educational programs beneficial to the **Members**; Utilizes the talents and resources of the **Members** for the benefit of the community through projects approved by the **Members**; and Encourages professionals from all disciplines within the field of telecommunications to strive toward the highest level of professional conduct.

ATP's website can be found at atp-ohio.org, which is hosted by XO. The ATP HOTLINE phone number is (614) 836-4318. The ATP HOTLINE is being made available by **SBC Communications**. Both meeting and membership information are available. In addition, the ATP can be reached via email at president@atp-ohio.org.

MEMBERSHIP

ATP **Members** are companies, corporations, other organizations, or entrepreneurs whose professional activity is primarily as a user or provider of telecommunications. **Members** are classified as *Users, Students, or Vendors*.

The **ATP Board** has established a meeting fee for non-members. Non-members (*not attending as guests of Members*) pay \$30 per meeting. Non-members do not receive meeting notices, newsletters, or other mailings and have no voting privileges. Student members' meeting fees are \$8.00 (*currently being waived by an act of the Board*). Other **Members** pay \$20.00 per meeting.

2004 OFFICERS

- President: **Phil Campbell**, *Ohio Univ.*
- VP: **George Bjelovuk**, *AEP*
- Secretary: **Wendell Mumaw**, *OCLC*
- Treasurer: **Bryan Barlitt**, *Grace Brethren Church*
- Director (1st Past Pres.): **Mike Patterson**, *AEP*
- Director (2nd Past Pres.): **Glenn Ruff**, *The McGraw-Hill Companies*
- Director-At-Large: **Debbie Rickner**, *Sprint*
- Director-At-Large: **David Frick**, *The Paragon Group*
- Director Emeritus: **Larry Learn**, *Ballou Consultants*

YEAR IN REVIEW

George Bjelovuk and the program committee did a great job in planning interesting and topical meetings during 2004. The topics dealt with current industry issues, and the speakers gave excellent presentations:

The February meeting was held at *OCLC*, with the meeting covering **Traditional Call Center Alternatives**. Presenters included **Ed Slayton** of *MCI*, **Glenn Ruff** of *McGraw-Hill*, and **Trevor Ferger**, of *Call Tech*.

The April meeting topic was held at *OCLC*. **Michael F. Finneran**, President of *dBrn Associates*, presented the *Business Communications Review* (BCR) class on *Designing and Implementing Wireless LANs*.

In June the topic was **The State of the Telecommunications Industry: Looking Forward in a New Environment**, held at *The Ohio State University Business & Technology Center*. Speakers included *Public Utilities Commission of Ohio* (PUCO) Chairman, **Dr. Alan R. Schriber**, *Ohio Consumers Counsel* (OCC), **Dr. Janine L. Migden-Ostrander**, *Senior Deputy Ohio Attorney General*, **Michael Gonidakis**, **Michael E. Kehoe**, Vice President of *SBC*, and **Joseph R. Stewart**, Senior Attorney, *Sprint*.

The August meeting topic was **Voice Over IP (VoIP) Options**. It was held at **Grace Worship Center**, and featured presentations by **Mike Thump**, from *Avaya*, **Marianne Gedeon**, from *SBC*, and **Greg Edwards**, from *Cisco*.

ASSETS & LIABILITIES

The topic for the October meeting, which is also the **ATP Annual Meeting**, was *Network Security*. Speakers included **Todd Hathaway**, from *Information Security Technology*, and **Steve Swick**, from *AEP*. The **Membership** elected the following Officers and Directors for 2005:

- President: **George Bjelovuk**, *AEP*
- Vice President: **Bryan Barlitt**, *Grace Brethren Church*
 - Secretary: **Wendell Mumaw**, *OCLC*
- Treasurer: **Steve Schlicher**, *Licking Memorial Hospital*
- Director (1st Past President): **Phil Campbell**, *Ohio Univ.*
 - Director (2nd Past Pres.): **Mike Patterson**, *AEP*
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During the business meeting, the **Membership** approved the **Board's** recommendation to keep membership dues at \$100 for *Voting* members and at \$200 for *Vendor* members; and Meeting Fees to \$20.

The December meeting was held at *OCLC*, and focused on *Developing Trends in Telecommunications*. The program featured internationally renowned telecommunication columnist and speaker, **Richard Kuehn**, President of *RAK Associates*, and author of "*Consultant's Corner*," in BCR.

The Association of Telecommunications Professionals, Inc., began the 2004 fiscal year with a balance of \$21,817. The 2004 ending balance was \$17,922 for a total net decrease of \$3,895.

Net Decrease: \$3,895 (18%)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Income

Member Fees: \$5,800 (44%)
Meeting Fees: \$7,347 (56%)
Interest on Accts.: \$56 (0%)

Total Revenue: \$13,203 (100%)

Expenses

Meeting Expenses: \$10,410 (61%)
Newsletter Expense: \$2,740 (16%)
Scholarship Fund: \$2,000 (12%)
Other Misc.*: \$1,948 (11%)

Total Expenses: \$17,098 (100%)

* - Includes a \$16 accounting discrepancy

The Association of Telecommunications Professionals, Inc.

The logo for the Association of Telecommunications Professionals (ATP) consists of the lowercase letters 'atp' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The letters are positioned within a thin yellow rectangular border.

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