

President Bush Appoints NVTC's Bobbie Kilberg to President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL LOGO

The Northern Virginia Technology Council is the voice of technology business, supporting the success of our more than 1700 member companies in their fields. Our aim is to gain recognition of this region as a global leader in technology by promoting: the development, growth and recognition of member technology businesses; the regional implementation of technology by business, government and education to enhance productivity, effectiveness and competitiveness, and the economic and community development of the region and Commonwealth through technology. (PRNewsFoto) [TC]
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MCLEAN, Va., Dec. 12 /PRNewswire/ -- Bobbie Kilberg, President of the Northern Virginia Technology Council (NVTC), was appointed today by President Bush to the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST). President Bush will meet the PCAST members this afternoon at the White House.

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PCAST is co-chaired by John H. Marburger, III, the President's Science Advisor and Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and Floyd

Kvamme, Partner at Kleiner, Perkins, Caufield & Byers. In addition to the co-

chairmen, PCAST consists of 22 members who serve as an advisory committee to the President on matters of science and technology. NVTC Board member Raul Fernandez, CEO of Dimension Data of North America, also was named to the Council today.

The responsibilities of PCAST are to 1) advise the President on issues involving science and technology and their roles in achieving national goals and 2) to assist the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) in securing private sector participation in its activities.

PCAST members will advise the President on key science and technology issues through the work of the following four panels. The panels will consist of PCAST members and experts in these fields.

* The Science and Technology of Combating Terrorism
This Panel will catalogue the numerous potential weapons of terrorists and, for each threat, identify technologies or promising fields of research that could yield technologies to address these threats. The technologies should help (1) detect potential threats in advance of their implementation as well as assist in citizen preparedness; (2) detect and contain an attack; and (3) mitigate the repercussions for the terrorist action (such as the immediate grounding of all aircraft on September 11th).

* Improving Energy Efficiency
This panel will recommend policies and technical developments to improve the efficiency of total utilized energy to reduce projected rate of

energy usage growth to 1.5%.

* Federal Investment in Science and Technology and Its Economic Benefits

This panel will review the Federal Government's research portfolio and make recommendations on areas where programs should be expanded, curtailed and maintained. Technology transfer mechanisms that encourage commercial development will be reviewed and policy recommendations made to ensure maximum benefit from research spending.

* Infrastructure for the 21st Century

This panel will report on the current status of broadband and suggest policies that will keep America competitive. Specifically, the panel will look at key obstacles including barriers to content availability. The panel also will review the state of broadband enabling technology.

"Being selected by President Bush to serve on the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology is an honor and a credit to the strength, vitality and importance of the technology industry in Northern Virginia," said

Kilberg. "Since September 11th, our technology community is particularly focused on helping the President combat terrorism and provide for homeland security. We also are fully committed to improved energy efficiency, maximum

benefit from the federal investment in science and technology research and its technology transfer for commercial applications, and expansion of broadband capability."

The following is the complete list of PCAST members:

- * John H. Marburger, III, President's Science Advisor and Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Co-Chair
- * E. Floyd Kvamme, Partner, Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers, Co-Chair
- * Charles J. Arntzen, The Florence Ely Nelson Presidential Chair, Department of Plant Biology, Arizona State University
- * Norman R. Augustine, Former Chairman and CEO, Lockheed Martin Corporation
- * M. Kathleen Behrens, Managing Director, Robertson Stephens & Co.
- * Eric Bloch, Corporate R&D Management Consultant, The Washington Advisory Group
- * Carol Bartz, Chairman of the Board, President and CEO, Autodesk, Inc.
- * Stephen B. Burke, President, Comcast Cable Communications
- * Gerald W. Clough, President, Georgia Institute of Technology
- * Michael S. Dell, Chairman and CEO, Dell Computer Corporation
- * Raul Fernandez, CEO, Dimension Data of North America
- * Mary Anne Fox, Chancellor, North Carolina State University
- * Martha Gilliland, Chancellor, University of Missouri-Kansas City
- * Ralph Gomory, President, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation
- * Bernadine Healy, President and CEO, The American Red Cross
- * Robert J. Herbold, Executive Vice President, Microsoft Corporation
- * Bobbie Kilberg, President, Northern Virginia Technology Council

- * Walter E. Massey, President, Morehouse College
- * Gordon E. Moore, Chairman Emeritus, Intel Corporation
- * E. Kenneth Nwabueze, CEO, SageMetrics
- * Steven G. Papermaster, Chairman, Powershift Group
- * Luis M. Proenza, President, University of Akron
- * George Scalise, President, Semiconductor Industry Association
- * Charles M. Vest, President, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

About NVTC

The Northern Virginia Technology Council (NVTC) is the membership association for the technology community in Northern Virginia. NVTC has more than 1700 member companies representing over 190,000 employees. Our membership includes companies from all sectors of the technology industry including information technology, software, Internet, ISPs, ASPs, telecommunications, bioscience, and aerospace, as well as the service providers that support these companies. NVTC provides its members with: (1) over 150 networking and educational events per year; (2) comprehensive member benefit services, (3) public policy advocacy on a broad range of technology issues at the state and regional levels, with involvement in federal issues as they relate to workforce and education concerns; and (4) community service opportunities through active involvement in community projects and philanthropy through the NVTC Foundation.