

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016**

**Myrtle Beach**, SC, June 20 – Mike Kingsmore, Palmetto Finishing, LLC, Easley, SC was elected president of the Southern Textile Association. His election came during the STA Business Breakfast Session of the Joint Meeting of the STA and Fiber Buyers Groups held at The Marriott Resort & Spa at Grande Dunes, Myrtle Beach, SC. Kingsmore succeeds Todd Wemyss of Glen Raven Custom Fabrics, LLC, Norlina, NC, who was elevated to Chairman of the Board of Governors.

Carson Copeland, Valdese Weavers, LLC, Valdese, NC, was elected first vice-president, and Andrew Barker, Matrix Yarns, Inc., Charlotte, NC, was named second vice-president. Lillian Link of the Southern Textile Association, Smithsburg, MD, remains as secretary/treasurer. Matt Shannon of Greenwood Mills, Greenwood, SC, was named member-at-large.

Elected to the Board of Governors of four-year terms expiring in 2020 were: Jim Ciccone, Unifi, Inc.; Cameron Hamrick, Hamrick Mills; Charles Poston, Kluber Lubrication; Marvin Smith, Shuford Yarns; Bill Steen, Central Textiles, Inc.; Stan Vinson, Bryley International, LLC. Elected to an un-expired term ending in 2019 was Evans Tindal, Highland Industries, Inc. and elected to an un-expired term ending in 2018 was Tom Johnston, Picanol of American.

The Joint Meeting of the Southern Textile Association and Fiber Buyer Groups was attended by more than 350 textile operating executives, wives and guests.

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