

NC APCO Meeting
Haywood, NC
July 15,2005

Call to Order – Craig Blackwood at 1108 am

President Blackwood did board introductions:

President - Craig Blackwood
1st Vice President – Rob Robinson
2nd Vice President – Susan Wadell
Secretary – Stephanie Wiseman
Treasurer – Beth Smith
Executive Council – Frank Thomason
Region A – Franklin Jackson – ABSENT
Region B – Judy Capparelli – ABSENT
Region C – Delbert Edwards – ABSENT
Region D – Randy Surratt
Region E – VACANT
Region F – Brannon Young – ABSENT
Past President – Harold Oakley

Secretary’s Report

Donna Wright made motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the East Coast Regional. Motion was seconded by Belinda Gurkins. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report

Savings	\$37,007.70
Checking	1,926.59
East Coast Regional	20,806.40
PSAP News	2,400.05
Total	\$62,140.74

David Dodd made motion to accept the Treasurers Report. Motion was seconded by Donna Wright. Motion passed.

Executive Council

Frank Thomason will be attending the upcoming meeting in Denver and the topic of Future cities for Conference Sites will be decided. There was discussion regarding Charlotte being placed into the running.

Member at Large Reports

A – Franklin Jackson – ABSENT

B - Judy Capparelli – ABSENT

C – Delbert Edwards – ABSENT

D – Randy Surratt – US Open was held in Moore County and the Command Center was taken to the Golf Course. 5 staff members, 3 telecommunicators worked radio and 2 support staff. They used 3 2-man medical bicycle crews, 3 2-man golf carts. 1250 patients were treated, mostly heat related. State Highway Patrol and other Law Enforcement Agencies assisted. Area was divided into 6 zones and dispatched were made based on those zones. The Communications Center had extra staff on duty and there were no language barriers. 2 EMS crews on scene, 27 people transferred to the hospital, 1 serious heart patient.

E - VACANT

F - Brannon Young – ABSENT

Training Committee Report

WMD Awareness	9:00am – 4:30pm	No Cost
July 20	Edneyville	32 Students
September 9	Salemburg	44 Students

Housing – First come basis

Telecommunicator Insanity Retreat	2 per agency limit	\$20.00
August 18	Chapel Hill	50 students

Officer Safety	40 students
August 30	Chapel Hill

CISM	30 Students/15 openings	\$35.00
July 25 & 26	Salemburg	

East Coast Regional

Beth Smith reporting that the East Coast Regional was successful, however was not as profitable as past. There have been several lessons learned. Currently \$114,724.00 Collected, \$88,595.00 vendors, \$26,129.00 Registrations. 73 of 94 booths were taken. Everyone seemed to enjoy, Advertising lacking, disappointed with national APCO assistance, there were some local mailing problems. Attendee breakdown, APCO 60%, NENA 40%, 261 total, good attendance for short notice and budget constraints. Surveys were positive with requests for 2 hour or ½ day classes. Expenses- Rooms and meals \$54,172.98, Entertainment

\$7,707.20, conference meals \$30,120.07, Decorations \$853.00, there are still a few outstanding checks.

Conference Committee

State Conference – Conference committee met last night long meeting but a lot of details were nailed down. Class to include Legislative issues, Staffing, NIMS, 800 rebanding, Legal issues-PSAP view, TC Multitasking Competition, Hiring, Retention, Assessment Center, Public Relations, Developing training on a shoestring budget, ABC's of calltaking, TERT.

Some classed that were talked about but not firmed up – Advancing through Ranks, Weather Guy, EMD V11.2 updates, PIO Overview, TDD testing for PSAPS.

Pre-conference Courses

APCO – Telecommunicators in Homeland Security

NENA – Intro to VOIP

Version – Myers Briggs Personality course – ½ day

ENP Exam

The committee got a late start due to the legislation issues. Any instructor that wants to teach should contact the conference committee.

George to do a 1 hour block – 911 in Kuwait.

Slate of Officers

2nd VP Mike Reitz – Unopposed

Secretary – Stephanie Wiseman – Unopposed

Treasurer – Beth Smith – Unopposed

Region E – Sonya Shores – Unopposed

President Blackwood stated there could be nominations from the floor at the conference.

National Conference

President Blackwood stated that Collecting items for Annual Events Video. They are requesting photos and media coverage for events, Telecommunicator photos. They are requesting these items by the end of next week. Get the information to the board.

Frank Thomason requested wireless 911 information to national for Project Locate, they are requesting good and bad incidents. The criticalness of the wireless situation has been realized due to a number of states that do not have any examples. Thanks to those that have already submitted information.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

No new business

The APCO meeting will not be adjourning at this time there will be a legislative meeting immediately following lunch.

Richard Taylor returned thanks for the meal. Lunch was provided by Carolina Recording Systems.

Legislative Issues

A Power Point Presentation was given by Rob Robinson, Donna Wright, and Tonya Pierce over viewing the bills that were current.

1008 – APCO and NENA dealing with training issue changes

1261 – Wireless Board Requested changes

1638 – Introduced by Telco's removing the surcharge and making it a local option special tax.

1008 was pulled from the floor by Senator Hagen due to the fact that it was going to be defeated and would not be able to be brought up again for 2 years.

1261 Passed House and now to Senate, NENA and APCO have opposed due to training being removed. Reduces surcharge to \$0.70 but should not affect the amount to the counties.

Richard Taylor stated that all Senate Committee meeting had been stopped until after the budget. Some issues that are being addressed are the prepaids – Trac Phone does not want to pay and they are not paying now. There was training changes in 1261 and when 1008 surfaced they were removed. 1261 lowers a tax and provides the same monies and no one suffers loss.

Rob Robinson stated the only reason that is was opposed by APCO and NENA was that the training issues were taken out.

Discussion continued that 1638 mirrors 62A with the exception that the surcharge will come off of the Telephone bill and be made a local tax.

Concerns were voiced if this becomes a local tax option that there would be no guarantee that it would happen. Also if radios were allowed then other

departments would be allowed to take it and Viper. There was not an audit provision but it has been added and some do not want it as written. Request for audit provision to have hearing process for questioned issues. Also training opened up.

APCO and NENA boards met and this could be good if it were mandated for all counties, along with definitions regarding radios expenditures and the audit functions defined. The lobbyists are saying this is going through and that we can either be with them or left out.

Donna Wright stated it passed subcommittee as favorable and Brubaker is stating that the issues have to be worked out.

There was discussion about it being mandated for the counties to do it, the money would be equal, we would have to spend out what is in the fund balance before we can collect any further, it would increase or decrease as needed, radios would be an option, training would be opened up and it would allow for new technologies. There was statements regarding this being all about implementation and that the wireless side would stop eventually.

Richard discussed the current 911 system and that there is a whole new world out there, we have to build to the new world, VoIP is the next generation 911 and we have to look further down the road, and there need to be a board to audit.

There was additional discussion about the TCS-VoIP connection for database and the costs, and that those that have access to 911 are the ones to charge.

There was discussion regarding the possibility of restructuring the Wireless Board to cover all aspects.

Rob Robinson made motion to send a letter to Brubaker and Saunders that we will work with the lobbyists on modification and we need 2 weeks and if they say no we have no stand. Ron Adams seconded the motion and the motion passed with 1 member (Tonya Pierce) opposing,

Jerry Boggs made the motion to adjourn at 2:25pm.