

**N.C. Chapter of APCO Business Meeting
Edenton, NC- July 20, 2001**

President Dodd called the meeting to order. Richard Taylor gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by the entire Chapter.

President Dodd welcomed everyone and thanked host Jim Carr and Chowan County E-911 for hosting the meeting. Jim Carr introduced Sheriff Spruill who welcomed everyone to Chowan County and thanked everyone for the hard work they do. He invited everyone to stay for the weekend or come back some other time and enjoy historic Edenton.

President Dodd recognized any special guests, new members, or first time attendees. Geneva Nash, retired Director of Union County Communications, was in attendance. Geneva was made a Life time Member of APCO last year at the joint conference in Wilmington. Also Harold Oakley was back after a recent health issue, everyone was glad to see that he was able to attend.

President Dodd also recognized Richard Taylor who has just recently been elected as the National 2nd Vice President of NENA. The NC APCO Chapter is very proud of Richard.

First Time Attendees were:

Bridget Miller - Person County Liz Hodgis - Currituck County Dave Cowan - Dare County Bill Cowper - Gates County Rhonda Powell - Gates County Diane Harrell - Gates County

President Dodd then introduced of APCO Executive Board.

President David Dodd VP Marsha Withrow 2nd VP Lisa Lowder Sec/Tres. Robby Robinson Member at Large - Martha Hasty Member at Large - Wesley Reid (not in attendance) Exec. Council Member - Frank Thomason (not in attendance)

Minutes from the previous in Little Switzerland have been posted on the Web Site and motion to dispense with the Read of the minutes was made by Jim Carr, seconded and carried.

Treasurer's Report: Robby Robinson

Money Market Account - \$40,134.78 Business Checking Account - \$ 3,128.57 East Coast Conf Funds- \$ 4,778.25 TOTAL NET WORTH- \$ 48,041.60

Membership Report: Robby Robinson advised that NC currently had a total of 433 members, 37 members are considered Inactive. President Dodd mentioned Lyle's Chapter Challenge for National and a list of the many prizes that can be awarded. NC is currently in first place for medium size chapters.

Newsletter Report: Gwen Snowden stated that Steve has been working on the newsletter and it will be printed in the next week or so and mailed very soon.

Members at Large Report: No news.

Executive Council Report: Frank Thomason not present, no report.

CJIN Report: Richard Nifong not Present, no report.

Wireless Report: Richard will give an update during his presentation this afternoon.

Project 38 Update: No update.

Corporate Advisor Report: Max Hopper not present, no report.

Joint State Conference Update: Lisa stated that she only had 14 vendors out of 47 that had sent in registration information to her. So if you are a vendor or know of one please have them get this to her soon.

East Coast Regional Conference Update: Marsha and Lisa gave information concerning this conference. The slogan was Gateway to Technology Southern Style. Registrations forms are being completed. Also family event has already be planned such at trips to the Zoo, Old Salem, NASCAR, furniture stores. We also already have several sponsors.

It will be held at the Koury Convention Center May 5th - 8th in Greensboro.

We have space for about 90-100 booths and are actively soliciting vendors.

David Dodd told everyone to make sure the plan to attend.

Legislative Committee Updates: This year several Bills were introduced into the Legislature concerning modifying 62A to allow 911-surcharge money to be used for other things. Richard Taylor stated that he figured everyone had seen the article in this week's paper concerning the fund balances in some of the 911-wire line account.

A Legislative sub-committee has been looking into it and stated there are some unanswered questions concerning these balances. They are not sure that there is enough control over the use of these monies. Subsequently, all of the Bills have pretty much died this year, except a Bill for Mecklenburg County, requesting these fund be used in conjunction with 311.

Richard feels that we do need to re-address 62-A. The Legislation is looking at things such as an Audit on wire line funds, a Cap on surcharge amounts and some other issues. He also feels this will allow us to clean up some issues; he also feels that maybe the wireless board can help.

Bill Campbell said that modifying 62A could cause a lot more problems for us in the future. Telco's are opposed to extremely high surcharges and there needs to be some control on spending for things not addressed currently in 62A.

Training Report: David Dodd mentioned that Guilford County has a lot of training courses forthcoming. On Aug 27-29th they will be hosting an all-new E-911 Communications Manager Course. Oct 22, 26th they will be hosting a APCO Instructor Course, A Communications Supervisor Course on Oct 31 - Nov 2nd, and a CTO Course Jan 28 - Feb 2nd 2001.

Currituck County is offering a TDD Course on August 9th everyone is welcome to attend.

Phil Penny wanted everyone to know that the class being held the week of Oct 22 in Guilford is the same week of the Furniture Convention, and hotel space may be a problem along with the cost of a room.

Election of Officers: Pursuant to the constitution & bylaws, the Nominating Committee, chaired by Immediate Past President Gary Michael, provided me with a list of officers for 2001-2002. This information has been placed on a ballot, and will be/has been mailed to all members.

Proposed Bylaw Change.

At the Little Switzerland meeting it was voted to increase Members-at-Large to mirror NENA's regions. President Dodd read the following to the members present the proposed changes. This was in compliance with existing constitution of amend they bylaws.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

Whereas the N.C. Chapter of APCO desires to include the most representation possible on the Executive Committee and,

Whereas the wishes and needs of the statewide membership could be better determined and served if the number of Members at Large was increased from 2 to 6 persons and,

Whereas the wishes and needs of the statewide membership could be better determined and served if the Members at Large were elected from regions across the state and,

Whereas the close affiliation between the NC Chapters of APCO and NENA would suggest that all members would best be served if the existing NENA regions and the proposed APCO regions were the same, and

Whereas the Chapter desires to make these changes immediately and to elect persons to these positions as soon as possible,

Therefore be it resolved that the following amendments are proposed to the N.C. Chapter of APCO Constitution and By-Laws and,

Therefore be it further resolved that under Article VIII, section 3.1, these changes be in force and effective immediately upon their adoption by the Chapter.

Constitution, Article III

Section 1. Establishment

1.1 There shall be an Executive Committee. The Chapter President shall be the Chairman of this Committee. It shall consist of the Chapter's elected officers, the immediate Past President, and six (6) At-Large Members, elected in accordance with Bylaws Article IV Section 3.

Bylaws, Article IV

Section 2. Positions to be filled

2.1 The offices of Chapter President and First Vice President shall normally be filled by advancement in rank. The Second Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Association Executive Council Representative, and six (6) Members at Large shall be elected. All officers will be elected for a one-year term, with the exception of the Executive Council Representative and the Members at Large, which shall be elected for a two-year term. Both the Executive Council Representative and the Members at Large may succeed him/herself.

2.2 Members at Large will be elected by regions. These regions will mirror those used by the NC Chapter of NENA in electing their regional representatives. A person serving as a NENA regional representative may not serve as an APCO Member at Large at the same time. Regions will be identified and described as follows:

Region A: Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Pasquotank, Perquimas, Pitt, Tyrell, and Washington counties.

Region B: Chatham, Durham, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Harnett, Johnston, Lee, Nash, Northampton, Orange, Person, Vance, Wake, Warren, and Wilson counties.

Region C: Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Craven, Cumberland, Duplin, Greene, Hoke, Jones, Lenoir, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, Roberson, Sampson, and Wayne counties.

Region D: Alamance, Anson, Caswell, Davidson, Davie, Forsythe, Guilford, Montgomery, Moore, Randolph, Richmond, Rockingham, Scotland, Stokes, Surry, and Yadkin counties.

Region E: Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Stanly, Union, Watauga, and Wilkes counties.

Region F: Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, and Yancey counties.

2.3 In an effort to maintain some degree of experience and continuity on the Executive Board, regional Members at Large will be elected to staggered terms. Representatives from Regions A, C, and E will be elected for a two year term in odd numbered years, beginning in 2001. Representatives from Regions B, D, and F will be elected for a two-year term in even numbered years, beginning in 2002. Upon passage of this amendment, the President may accept motions from the floor for qualified members to fill these new positions. It is understood that Members at Large elected from Regions B, D, and E will be elected for a one-year term in 2001, and then for a two-year term, beginning in 2002.

Section 5. Vacancies

5.4 Should any regional Member at Large position become vacant for any reason, the position will remain vacant until the next regular election at the Chapter business meeting, held at the fall conference. If the vacancy occurs after June 30th, the date that the Immediate Past President and the Nominating Committee must present the proposed ballot of officers to the President for the upcoming year, the vacant position will be filled by nominations from the floor at the Chapter business meeting at the fall conference.

President Dodd reminded everyone of the awards that are given by APCO each year at the Conference in Wilmington. You need to get nominations to Gwen and Sylvester on the nominating committee so that they can start reviewing. The deadline for nominations is August 24th. Criteria for each award are located on the web site.

New Business Robby brought up the fact that NENA and APCO both do mailings in the form of meeting notices and Newsletters. Robby and Belinda are constantly making out checks to each other, and it was agreed that they hold all cost and exchange at the end of the year at the fall conference.

Lisa got an email from a Tax Collecting Company in GA, and she wanted everyone to know that it is a company that is collecting wire line money from CLEC's and distributing it to the proper PSAP.

Next meeting will be at the joint state conference, September 23-26 in Wilmington.

Nationals Conference in Salt Lake City August 6th, 2001.

Motion to adjourn made by Jim Carr, seconded and carried.

Meal Provided By Sprint.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robby Robinson, Secretary/Treasurer N.C. Chapter of APCO