

NC APCO Meeting
Cornelius, NC
January 14, 2005

Call to order - Rob Robinson at 1011 am.

1st Vice President Rob Robinson thanked Rodney Crisco and Cornelius Police Department for hosting the meeting. Robby also led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Police Chief Ron McKinney welcomed everyone.

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

Secretary's Report – 1st VP Robinson request motion to accept minutes from November meeting. Motion made by Dinah Jeffries. Second Jimmy Jones. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report

Savings	\$40,900.75
Checking	3,137.02
East Coast Regional	18,554.70
PSAP News	3,270.23
Total	\$65,862.70

Audit – was preformed by Jimmy Jones, David Dodd and Don Mabe. Everything was in order and easy to do with some recommendations made for some areas. Audit report attached to minutes.

Budget 2004 – 2005 – Finalized at the NC APCO Board meeting on Thursday, January 13, 2005. Copies are available from the Treasurer.

1st VP Robinson reported that Catawba County had lost a Telecommunicator, Darris Deal to a heart attack. Also Topper Hightower gave a report on MC Waters, in the Cardiac Unit and may be moved on Saturday to his own room.

Past Presidents present – Harold Oakley, David Dodd, Dinah Jeffries and Marsha Withrow.

New Members – None

First Time Attendees – 6 present. APCO pins presented.

Promotions – Marsha Withrow – Charlotte Fire
David Dodd – Cleveland County
Ron Adams – Wireless Board

Member at Large Reports:

A - Franklin Jackson – ABSENT

B – Judy Capparelli – Person County bids on new equipment, will be going live with EMD on February 1. Granville on line with 800 MHZ system. Orange County training schedule available.

C – Delbert Edwards – ABSENT

D – Randy Surratt – Update from officer shooting (Forsyth) in November, the officer that was wounded has undergone additional surgery. Montgomery County has a new Director – Dennis Harrelson. High Point – Towers in place and system tested up and running in June. Will be beginning construction in February on Center.

E – Chris Ridgell – ABSENT, report that Charlotte Fire Communications has had some additional promotions Karen Speaks, Jims Smith and Tonya Crawford.

F – Brannon Young – Yancey County 911 up and running. Mitchell County with equipment upgrade. 1st VP Robinson also reporting that Mitchell County with Director Position filled by Stephanie Wiseman.

Executive Council Report

Frank out due to a possible tornado or microburst in Rowan County. Frank will be traveling next weekend to the Executive Council meeting.

Training Committee Report

Jeryl Brown reporting that the 3rd Telecommunicator Conference will be held March 20-22 at Salemburg. Registration is \$100.00, Flyers mailed out on January 13, information on line and DCI messages to be sent. There will be an Awareness WMD course on the Sunday before and the Wednesday of the Telecommunicator Conference taught by Leroy Buff. This is a 6 hour class and is being offered free. A schedule for the APCO training will be sent out now that the budget has been approved.

Rowan will be hosting a Priority Dispatch EMD Course Jan 28 – 30. Carolina Recording Systems will be providing possibly a meal and snacks. Also, at the end of February there will be an Emergency Management PIO at Rowan County. See Rob or Frank for details.

David Dodd reported there had been an APCO CTO course in Asheville December 27th, large attendance from the west. Discussion about the high cost of APCO courses and that CTO has been opened up to be taught regionally. There was also discussion about conversations that 1st VP Robinson has had with National APCO regarding anyone with General Instructor Certification being allowed to teach APCO Courses.

Old Business

Explanation from Jeryl and Dinah regarding the Sheriffs Standards, Criminal Justice Executive Board and Certification for all Telecommunicators. There is concern about the CCH on some applicants that have previously worked for agencies that do not conduct in depth background checks. Still requiring that the age and physical requirements meet standard even though no PT, there is a loophole at the age requirement issue regarding when the course is taken before the 21st birthday. The process for any general rule change takes 16 – 18 months. Dinah reporting there may be some compromises regarding the age requirement. Donna Wright questioned being able to teach the course in house. Jeryl explained what steps, (instructor, TC course, Paperwork and Testing schedule), are necessary for this to occur. There should be a survey coming out everyone was encouraged to look for the survey and respond to it.

New Business

Wireless – Richard Taylor reporting that the audit of the 911 Centers and this years audit is worse than previous years for things that monies are being spent on. There will be a Wireless Board Meeting on January 28th, draft Legislation to be discussed and what is to be proposed to legislation. Ron Adams will be doing the training and will travel anywhere.

