

NC APCO MEETING

Edenton, NC

March 18, 2005

Call to Order – Craig Blackwood called the meeting to order.

President Blackwood welcomed the group to the meeting. Thanks to Jim Carr and Franklin Jackson for hosting and to all the sponsors (Sprint, Positron, Carolina Recording and Vision AIR).

President – Craig Blackwood

1st Vice President – Rob Robinson ABSENT

2nd Vice President – Susan Waddell

Past Pr5esident – Harold Oakley

Secretary – Stephanie Wiseman ABSENT

Treasurer – Beth Smith

Executive Council – Frank Thomason ABSENT

Region A – Franklin Jackson

Region B – Judy Capparelli

Region C – Delbert Edwards ABSENT

Region D – Randy Surratt ABSENT

Region E – Chris Ridgell ABSENT

Region F – Brannon Young ABSENT

First Time Attendees – Two present

Secretary's Report – Susan Waddell made motion to suspend with the reading of the minutes, second by Jim Carr. Motion carried.

Treasures Report	-	Money Market	\$38,786.11
	-	Checking	\$3,406.26
	-	Newsletter	\$3,301.75
	-	East Coast Reg	\$32,510.32
Grand Total	-		\$78,004.44

Motion to accept report made by Craig Blackwood. Second by Jim Carr. Motion carried.

Executive Council Representative Report – Frank Thomason ABSENT

Full executive council report will be appearing in the PSAP News.

Regional Members at Large Reports:

- A. Franklin Jackson: Covered in the NENA meeting
- B. Judy Capparelli: Covered in the NENA Meeting
- C. Delbert Edwards: Absent
- D. Randy Surratt: Absent Covered in the NENA Meeting
- E. Chris Ridgell: Absent
- F. Brannon Young: Absent Reporting that APCO Merchandise had come in. Will be having things for sale.

Training Committee Report

Craig Blackwood reporting for Jeryl Brown:

- Jeryl Brown is hard at work at the Telecommunicators Conference for 2005 in Salemburg at this time. A three-day EMD course started Friday through Sunday March 18th – 20th at the Salemburg Justice Academy. Have thirteen students enrolled. Conference will have 130+ attendees from 20+ agencies.
- Will be planning an Insanity Retreat.
- Stanley County will be having a “Handling the Suicide Caller” class, November 10th – 17th. Brunswick’s County has also contacted Jeryl about having this class.
- Reminding everyone that Training is being posted in the PSAP News.

Newsletter Report – Rob Robinson Absent

Old Business:

-East Coast Conference will be in Greensboro in May. Everything is moving along. Information is posted on APCO’s website. Everyone needs to come on out and enjoy. Anyone willing to volunteer to work at the conference needs to fill out the attendee form and fax it to Marsha Withrow. Volunteers will be needed every day. They would work four hours and receive a half-day of classes free of charge.

New Business:

Richard “Dick” Mirgon Candidate for APCO International 2nd Vice President Addressed the group. He is the least known candidate running for the position. His vision for the organization is to do more for the members by providing salary surveys, incident command training for dispatchers and better information on how to obtain grants for communications equipment and software. Mr. Mirgon reminded everyone of the process to vote in an APCO election. You will need to submit the paperwork to request a ballot.

Covey Denton, Communications Consultant from the Wilson Regional Recourse Center, N.C. Department of Health and Human Resources Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, spoke with everyone about what her department will do for the Communications Centers in the area. Free Training across the State. All you have to do is contact their department to set it up.

President Blackwood advised that he had received an e-mail from Craig Whittington wanting the N.C. Chapter of APCO to support the manager’s group’s recommendations on 62A. Harold Oakley made a motion to table this until the Board has a chance to speak with the N.C. Managers group. Second by Homeria Jennette.

Discussion continued on the time table of the Legislative session and why is NENA supporting and why couldn’t APCO also support the changes.

Ed Conran makes a motion to remove the motion to table and bring before the Membership for a vote. Second by Jim Carr. Motion carried.

Harold Oakley withdrew his motion to table. Second by Jim Carr. Motion carried.

Discussion from Ron Adams, Jim Carr and others that both NENA and APCO need to stand together to provide a united stance.

Motion was made by Ed Conan for the membership to vote on supporting the changes. Second by Homeria Jennette. Motion carried. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn made by Beth Smith, second by Jim Carr.

Respectfully Submitted: Susan Waddell, Second Vice President
NC Chapter of APCO