

APCO Chapter Meeting  
March 16, 2007  
High Point, NC

President Waddell welcomed everyone and thanked High Point, Pictometry and Time Warner for hosting the meeting.

President Waddell recognized first-attendees and past-presidents.

Motion was made by Rob Robinson to dispense with the reading of the minutes and seconded by Gary Michael. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

TC Conference	\$11,229.88
Regular Checking	\$2,562.78
PSAP	\$1,112.79
Money Market	\$67,867.10
TOTAL	\$82,772.55

**Committee Reports**

Nominating Committee (Rob Robinson) – nominating ballots went out. Names were on the nominating ballot but will not be on the election ballot. Ballots will go out after the May meeting. Rob will get letters of support from immediate supervisors of people nominated to ensure they have the support to run. He will also ensure the person is the correct membership class to run. You must be a member to receive a ballot. It is best to go to North Carolina website to confirm you are a member. It is the member's responsibility to ensure National ACPO has your information correct.

Training Committee (Jeryl Brown)

February – Fayetteville. PD had customer service training with 21 students.

March - Dinah Jeffries and Orange County hosted two classes on dealing with suicide callers and a class on ethics in 911 in March, each class had approximately 30 students each.

The Telecommunicator Conference will be here soon – further information can be obtained from Jeryl's website ([www.jerylsjoint.com](http://www.jerylsjoint.com)). 110 people have registered so far. If you register after next week, bring money instead of mailing payment since it may not arrive on time. Monday is Fiesta night and there will be a dance. There will be a guest DJ from Foxy 99.1 out of Fayetteville, NC on Tuesday to mingle and do give aways. There is great training lined up. Cost is \$100.

In April, there will be an APCO CTO certification course on April 11-13, 2007 in Randolph County. Registration is low so please e-mail Jeryl if you are interested. Cost is \$75 which is a significant discount. There will be a CTO-I class April 16-20 2007 hosted by Guilford Metro 911.

There will be a Telecommunicator N Sanity retreat on May 4 2007 in New Bern at the New Bern Convention Center. Registration is \$50.00. Send Jeryl names of people that are interested – there is a limit of 50. There will also be two legal review and mock trial classes in May – real lawyers will be there and students will be involved. On June 27-28, 2007; there will be a two day cultural diversity class in Randolph County, Jeryl Brown and Dinah Jeffries will be the class facilitators.

The conference is September 9-12. There will be four training tracks – Telecommunicator, General, Vendor, and Management/Supervision. There is a call for papers out at this time. Friday, April 20 2007 is the cut-off date for submission.

North Carolina Sheriff's Commission side – 2008 topics, hours, and delivery method have been approved. 16 hours of mandatory training have been approved. There is thought that in the future, Telecommunicators may need to meet standards like law enforcement which would be 24 hours. Jeryl will keep us posted.

**Mandatory Hours (10)**

Customer Service – 4 hours

ICS – 4 hrs

TTY – 2 hrs

**Optional hours (6)**

Sheriff's Choices – choose 2

Domestic violence -3 hrs

EMS/fire/rescue communications – 3 hrs

Liability issues – 3 hrs

You can use previous year's con-ed but they will not be updated. There are no audio/visual files for 2007.

The con-ed will be available for purchase by October 2007. Train-the-trainer will be conducted. If you choose not to use the lesson plan, they ask you write the lesson plan in the ISD format and keep on file along with the roster. Ensure certificate has name of lesson plan taught and how many hours.

A question was asked about if tests were optional this year and required next year. The only time you need to test is if you use lesson plans outside what the Justice Academy has sent out. At this time, testing is optional.

Regarding the Telecommunicator Certification Course, a mandatory reading test is still being looked at. If you attend school director orientation, they are saying the reading test is mandatory but nothing has been set up. Jeryl should know more in May and will report then.

**CJIN** (Steve Lingerfelt) The CJIN Board met in January and again this week. The primary goal of the past two meetings was to complete a Cost Allocation Plan Report for the VIPER project. The plan was submitted to the Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee, the co-chairs of the Appropriations subcommittees for Transportation, the co-chairs of the Justice and Public Safety and the Fiscal Research Division. The report outlines several strategies to pay for the VIPER program.

The Governor has included in his proposed budget funds to complete the project. Hopefully this will make it through the budget process.

The CJIN Board has also hired a new executive director. His name is Gene Vardaman and he has an extensive background in 911. He was the former director of 911 Communications for Broward County Florida.

Conference Committee (Marsha Withrow) 66 exhibitor packets sent out last week. If you did not receive a packet, let Marsha know. Sea-Trail should be a great site to have the conference. We have exclusive exhibitor hours on Monday with an ice cream social just before opening. Exhibitor information also available on the website. Registration for attendees will be put up later but the hotel information is already available. This is actually a resort as opposed to a regular hotel. When you make a room reservation they will charge one night's room to your card when you make your reservation. Room rates are from \$59 up.

### **Member at large reports**

There was a vacancy in Region A. The executive board, according to bylaws, has elected Ed Conran to the position. Ed Conran was sworn in as Region A member at large.

Region A (Ed Conran) – nothing to report

Region B (Glenn Parnell) – nothing to report additional from the NENA

Region C (Delbert Edwards) – nothing to report

Region D (Randy Surratt) – covered during NENA meeting. Randy asks everyone to keep city of Winston-Salem TC's in your thoughts – lost an officer on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Lee Stanley from the radio shop was acknowledged for their dedicated work.

Region E (Sonya Shores) – not present

Region F (Ben Adams) – not present

**Executive Council** (Frank Thomason). Council meeting was last month. Report will be in the next newsletter. National has worked on updating software at National Headquarters. You can

now long into national website and view/modify/change your membership information. This is a significant change and should help a great deal. Frank encourages everyone to read the report when it comes out to familiarize themselves with National issues.

**Wireless** (David Dodd) – nothing new from NENA meeting. David commended Barry Furey and his staff for hosting the wireless meeting in January.

President Waddell advised an e-mail from APCO went out about membership cards that were sent incorrectly. The new cards are in the process of being mailed.

President Waddell advised that the FCC was to give the 700 MHz band to public safety. They have now come back and said that 30 MHz of the 700 MHz are being taken for a national Radio System. President Waddell needs to know what the N.C. membership thinks. Several states have come out against this move. South Carolina is concerned about this move due to the cost of implementing new systems. The systems that are currently in place, will not work and they will have to start over. There was discussion about the effects this could have on North Carolina. Frank Thomason advised there was no vote at the national level; it was only given to them in a report. National APCO is supporting the move. There are several other states that have started plans to move to 700 MHz and this will cause them a lot of problems. Fortunately, North Carolina has not started the move. Frank advised we also need to remember that there is bandwidth spectrum within 700 MHz that will be used for video and data as well, not just radio. A motion was made by Jimmy Neese that the North Carolina chapter oppose the 30 MHz of the 700 MHz being taken for use outside of public safety. The motion was seconded by Rob Robinson. Motion carried.

### **New Business**

No new business.

Door Prizes were drawn - Sunguard/OSSI and CML donated gift cards to be given away.

There has been a change of venue for the next meeting. It will be in Elizabeth City on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Time Warner will give a presentation after lunch. High Point Police Department offered tours of the 911 center and the police department.

Frank Thomason made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Gary Michael.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Capparelli  
Secretary