

NC APCO Chapter Meeting  
September 10, 2008  
Sunset Beach, NC

Present

Mike Reitz  
Marsha Withrow  
Jeryl Brown  
Susan Waddell  
Beth Smith  
Judy Capparelli  
Ed Conran  
Randy Surratt  
Grasyon Gusa

Absent

Frank Thomason  
Glen Parnell  
Delbert Edwards

President Reitz welcomed everyone to the conference and to Sunset Beach.

Past presidents and first time attendees were recognized.

The minutes for the May and July meetings have been posted. Anna Curtis made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Richard Batchelor seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Telecommunicator Account	\$8,125.68
Checking Account	\$2,977.66
East Coast Account	\$2,131.64
Money Market	\$55,393.06
Total	\$68,628.04

**Committee Reports**

*Nominating Committee*

The following are the results from the election:

2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Donna Estes  
Secretary – Judy Capparelli  
Treasurer – Tammy Watson  
Region B – Richard Batchelor  
Region D Janet King  
Region F is vacant

*CJIN* – Steve Lingerfelt – CJIN is scheduled to meet next week – they have not met since the last meeting.

*Legislative* – Richard Taylor advised the NC 911 board would meet the 26<sup>th</sup>. They are not releasing the Comprehensive Statewide Plan because some of the data needs to be verified prior to the draft being presented. This is a very important document that will be presented to the legislature and much of the data is not valid – there are many “I don’t know” answers and answers that don’t correlate to the question. This report will become a baseline to where we will be going in the future.

### *Training*

Jeryl Brown – Cary PD has requested to host another CTO class and there will be a class in October or November. Cost is \$125 per student.

2009 TC in-service curriculum for Sheriff’s Standards is almost done and will be available on-line and for sale after October 15<sup>th</sup>. If any of the lessons have audio and video these will not be available on-line so you are encouraged to come to the Academy for the train the trainer so you can get all the required documents. If you have suggestions for 2010 topics, let Jeryl know.

Marsha Withrow is part of the Motorola Trunked User’s Group training committee and Charlotte is hosting a Motorola Networking 101 class that gives you all of the background and terminology information and on day 2 there will be hands on training. The dates are October 5<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>.

*Audit committee* – Beth Smith advised that Craig Blackwood and Don Mabe will be conducting the annual audit.

*Awards* – we had a lot of nominations this year and it was tough to choose. Awards will be announced at the banquet tonight. We are looking at adding more awards.

*East Coast Regional* – we had a booth at APCO International in Kansas City. We had a lot of interest from attendees and also several vendors expressing interest. Marsha Withrow will be the contact. If you have any old pictures from your agency – we are going to be doing a 50 year anniversary so please give us your pictures for the East Coast Regional.

### *Conference Committee*

President Reitz hopes everyone enjoyed the conference and thanked all those who volunteered and helped at the conference. Please be sure to fill out your questionnaires and get your continuing education certificate.

Marsha Withrow was contacted by CVENT Software Company that assists with planning conferences and events. The three presidents of both boards agreed that this company would be used for future conferences. There is a lot of time and effort put into the conference. This company will help with registrations, advertisements (such as mass e-mails, mailings, etc), and they will build databases so they are always there for use. We can also send out information on what we want/need and receive back RFP's. This company will cost us money but will save us money in the long run. You will be allowed to submit on-line credit card information and the chapter will no longer need to keep a chapter credit card machine. APCO will pay more of a share as we do more conferences – TC conference and East Coast Regional.

### *Regional Reports*

Region A – Ed Conran– No report.

Region B – Glen Parnell (unable to attend). Mike Reitz reported that Orange County is in the process of moving into a new 911 center – scheduled to move into the center around the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of October.

Region C –Delbert Edwards (unable to attend). No report.

Region D – Randy Surratt – recognized all the members who were in attendance at this meeting. High Point had the TC of the year awards banquet - Kyle Thaggard received the 7<sup>th</sup> TC of the year award – he has been there a little more than 2 years. Susan Fulton was in attendance and was able to present the award. She has been battling leukemia so it was great to see her there. Janet King advised that the tumor has shrunk 50%. This is Randy's last meeting as a member at large for APCO.

Region E – Grayson Gusa – City of Concord – unable to attend the conference due to a race event this week. Watauga County Sheriff's Office – due to budget constraints, no one was able to attend the conference. They have one full time opening if anyone is interested. Kannapolis – They are attending the DCI conference and unable to attend ours. They are implementing OSSI CAD and hope to have it implemented by March 2009. Mary Bullard is a 23 year veteran who is in the process of retiring due to medical leave. Rowan County – AVL has just gone live on Sheriff and EMS units. They are working to update the phone system with a scheduled completion date of December 2008. They are currently fully staffed. Robin Foster is scheduled to have a bone marrow transplant next Tuesday.

Region F – No report.

*Executive Council Report* – Frank Thomason is in Washington DC and unable to attend the conference. SGI – Strategic Governance Initiative – this did not pass – it was a very close vote. They are going to try again so be looking for news on that in the future.

### **Old Business**

No old business.

**New business**

APCO sent an e-mail to President Reitz regarding the Sunshine Fund and was soliciting funds. One chapter was going to donate \$2000 and wanted other chapters to do the same. It's a fund that if someone has something tragic or life changing in their life, they can apply for this grant – there are different tiers – one for \$250 and one for \$500. The board has decided to donate \$2000 to the Sunshine Fund. Ronnie Barefoot asked if it was a one-time donation and Mike advised it was.

Jeryl Brown– she was vendor chair – we had 40 vendors to purchase booths – with some purchasing more than one. We had great luck with sponsorships and door prizes. We only had one vendor cancel due to Hurricane Ike's projected path. Carolina Massage was scheduled to be here but they got deployed because of Hurricane Hannah. The vendors were very excited to be at Sea Trail and happy to be here again next year. East Coast regional packets were handed out for 2010 – Beth Smith will be the vendor chair.

The North Carolina APCO Website is currently hosted by Rowan County. President Reitz thanked them for hosting the website for all these years free of charge. They have asked that we move the website. We are in the process of getting the website moved and the website may be down for a couple of days during the process. We are also looking into revamping the website so if you have any ideas/changes please let us know.

Officers were installed.

Meeting recessed until the banquet.

The closing banquet was held at 6 p.m.

The following people were given awards:

Team of the Year –

Rodney Pierce, Nena Dearth, Justin Budd, Amy Roberts and Rick Yost, Rowan County

Technician of the Year –

Terry Ellis, City of Charlotte BSS/Networking Technology Services

Manager of the Year –

Captain Bradley Chandler, Fayetteville Police Department Communications

Line Supervisor of the Year –

Allen Cress, Rowan County

Telecommunicator of the Year –

Kristie Anderson-Smith, Charlotte Fire Communications

President's Award – Beth Smith, High Point Communications

New Officers

Susan McLeod, Region C Member at Large and Rodney Shook, Region F Member at Large were sworn in.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Capparelli  
NC APCO Secretary