

NC APCO Meeting
January 13th, 2012
Rowan County

Present

Randy Wood
Ray Gilleland
Wesley Reid
Donna Estes
Frank Thomason
Judy Capparelli
Brad Jones
Richard Batchelor
Janet King

President Wood called the meeting called to order at 10 am.

Rob Robinson welcomed everyone to Rowan County.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

President Wood thanked for Century Link for sponsoring lunch and Rowan County and the rescue squad for hosting the meeting.

We are collecting food and money for the NC APCO/NENA giving back program. If you bring food or donate at least \$5 you will be entered to win a prize at the chapter meeting. Today's prize is a \$50 gift card from Walmart provided by Kevin Wattenburger with Intrado.

NC APCO is doing to 50/50 raffle to help raise money for the 50th anniversary celebration.

President Wood introduced the Executive Board.

New attendees, past presidents and RPL's were recognized.

Kelly Palmer made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Melanie Neal seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report

TC Account	\$4,580.12
Money Market	\$45,824.37
Main Checking	\$1,660.64
Scholarship Acct	\$3,620.00
Total Assets	\$55,685.13

Beth Smith made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Angie Schulz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Historical Committee:

Terry Bailey has gathered some old photographs to be used during the 50th anniversary celebration. Randy Surratt has spoken to several past presidents. He has fixed some errors and has been able to fill in the missing blanks for the presidents plaque.

Operations and Technology: No report.

Inter-agency Communications: No report.

Legislative:

FCC's Narrowbanding Due Date of January 1, 2013, has not changed. Visit *NPSTC's Narrowbanding Page* for assistance in your state.

H.R. 3430 was introduced in the House of Representatives in November 2011. It seeks to delay implementation of the FCC's narrowbanding mandate affecting spectrum in the VHF and UHF bands. Please note that this legislation has only been introduced and Congress has taken no action on it. As of this date, this legislation has no co-sponsors nor has it received support from many in the public safety communications community. *Taken from the NPSTC email list serve.*

The National Public Safety Telecommunications Council web site is an excellent resource for all legislative items facing communications as well as other items of interest to communications, you can check it out at <http://npstc.org>

There is a D block update on the website as well.

Training:

NC APCO is looking for host sites for APCO courses CTO version 5 and supervisor training. Please contact Jeryl Anderson at jbesttraining@yahoo.com or 919-418-7753.

The 2012 Telecommunicator Training Symposium will be April 15th to 17th at the Clarion Hotel in Greensboro. This is the same great event – different place. Registration is now open – please visit our website. You can register on-line to win a free registration.

NC APCO's training scheduled will be posted on-line soon.

If you are already CTO certified APCO Institute is accepting registrations for the CTO 5th edition student version update. All APCO certified CTO's are eligible for this upgrade. CTO's who were certified in the year 2011 may register for the update at a reduced price. See the APCO Institute website for further.

There will be a train the trainer class for the National Center for Missing Persons class April 12th in Raleigh. There will be 50 slots for train the trainers and 50 slots for PSAP managers. After lunch the two groups will divide into their own classes. The 911 board is hosting the class. There is no cost for the course. This is an allowable expense for travel. The class for telecommunicators will also be available on-line.

Nominating Committee:

Nominations will be open from the end of January to March 1st. Nominations will be on-line for 2nd VP, Regional Ambassadors B, D and F, secretary and treasurer. If you do not have access to the internet see Donna for a paper ballot. All nominees must have a letter of support from their agency.

Executive Council:

Frank Thomason reported the D Block legislation on the federal level is still moving forward. There are a small number of legislators that oppose this issue and have questions about it. Renee Elmers is from North Carolina and is opposed this issue. If she is your congresswoman, Frank recommends sending her a letter of support – he can help you with wording if needed. This issue also includes the broadband project.

Regional Reports

Region A: No report.

Region B:

Raleigh-Wake is celebrating their 40th anniversary this year. The City of Raleigh did a proclamation yesterday.

Troop C Communications is moving into the joint taskforce headquarters on January 23rd.

Region C: No report.

Region D:

Randolph County has three new part-time personnel. They are moving towards 800.

Melanie Neal reported Guilford Metro is moving forward to separating call taker and TC functions February 1st. They are moving towards P25 kickoff.

Jonathon Bledsoe reported that Surry County is interviewing for three positions. They are also hiring a new database manager.

Randy Wood reported Forsyth is possibly looking towards a new telephone system.

Terry Bailey with Davidson County reported they are going to utilize part of the Viper system. They are currently fully staffed. In late April they are planning to transition to narrowbanding.

Region E: No report.

Region F: No report.

New business:

If anyone is planning on going to 911 Goes to Washington in March please let Randy Wood or Ray Gilleland know.

Kenyon Harris made a motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 1035hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Capparelli, NC APCO Secretary