

NC APCO Meeting
November 15th, 2013
Lexington, NC

Present

Wesley Reid
Ellis Frazier
Rick Thomas
Frank Thomason
Ray Gilleland
Tammy Watson
Judy Capparelli
Pam Collins
Susan McLeod
Janet King

Prior to the start of the meeting John Letteney, President of the North Carolina Association of the Chiefs of Police, gave an overview of the association and their role in the 911 Board. He knows there is some dissent between the Association and APCO and NENA and he does not want that. See attached PowerPoint of the presentation.

President Reid called the meeting called to order at 11 a.m. President Reid thanked Motorola and Wireless for sponsoring lunch. He thanked Terry Bailey and Davidson County for hosting the meeting. He introduced the executive board.

1st time attendees, past presidents and RPL's were recognized.

Rob Robinson made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Ronnie Barefoot seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report:

Main account - \$2,701.40
TC Symposium account - \$7,356.89
Scholarship account - \$2,430.00

Money Market account - \$33,133.49

Total - \$68,121.78

Committee Reports:

Historical Committee:

National APCO has started a project that if they have any National Lifetime members that someone go out and interview them and it will go in the virtual library.

PROCHRT

A committee has been formed of Ray Gilleland, Janet King, Kelly Palmer and Tammy Watson. This committee is for telecommunicator standards nationwide. It will also for look at benefits and retirement benefits for telecommuncators.

Inter-agency Communications:

President Reid reported for Lewis Cheatham: North Carolina been awarded \$2.3 million and then has an in kind match to make of \$800,000 totaling \$4 million to use for assessment and data gathering for FirstNet.

APCO International was mentioned for their website support of public safety smartphone apps.

SIEC is debating what defines the goals of SIEC. P25 Interoperability across the state? Firstnet? Etc.

Viper has been awarded \$25 million to complete P25 upgrades by June 30th 2014. 18 counties using Viper don't have P25 subscribers.

SIEC may be reaching out to PSAPs to get information on what type of equipment they are using.

CJIN: no report.

911 Board:

Neil Sizemore reported that the funding committee has put together some information about secondary PSAP funding and they will be bringing it to the next 911 Board meeting. It would sit for 30 days until the next meeting until anything can be acted on.

Tina Bone sent out surveys to help look at a statewide back-up plan.

The education committee continues to work on ways to get information out to the public. An RFP has been written for a movie trailer.

The standards committee reviewed the training standards and did not see any changes needed. It could be late summer of next year before the standards would be approved. David Dodd would like to have each PSAP send him the annual training that they did for the year.

ECATS was discussed at the last meeting. They are working on some report customization. If you know of any reports that you need let the 911 Board know.

The next meeting is December 6 at AT&T facility at 300 S Brevard St. in Charlotte. On the 5th the 911 Board will be having a work session to look at the future and start planning ahead.

The 2014 meeting schedule should be posted soon.

President Reid wanted to go on record saying that APCO supports the change the 911 Board is trying to make for funding of secondary PSAPs. The proposal will be given to the board at the December meeting and they should vote at the January meeting. If you can't attend the meeting please attend on-line.

Legislative: No report. Candy Strezinski is the new legislative chair.

Training: See attached report.

Executive Council: No report.

Regional Reports:

Region A:

Pasquotank/Camden 911 Center is now under the leadership of Sheriff Randy Cartwright.

Region B: No report.

Region C: No report.

Region D:

Janet King reported that High Point has hired five trainees and they are fully staffed. They are starting a long awaited process to find a NextGen telephone solution. Synergy and Intrado have requested demos.

Davidson County is down three full-time positions. They have five new part-time employees currently in training.

Richmond County was recently approved for two peak-time positions. They are upgrading multiple things - telephone system with Positron Viper System, CRS recording system and Russ Bassett furniture. Also Richmond and Scotland counties are working to serve as back up centers for each other.

Randolph County has selected an architectural firm for their new building. A new EMS base in Randleman will open in December. They will also be building a new base in the trinity area. Randolph County's rehab/mini command bus is now in service. It was converted out of an old school bus. The Sheriff's Office just received a brand new \$700,000 mobile command unit. It was paid for in full with money seized from drug busts.

Randolph County has no full-time vacancies. They will soon be advertising for part-time positions. Their "Fill the Ambulance" campaign kicks off in December. Randolph County 911 employees raised \$2,310 by purchasing the cancer awareness t-shirts. The money will be donated to the Randolph Hospital Cancer Center's patient assistance fund.

Dr. Helsabeck, the Randolph County medical director for more than 25 years, will be retiring December 31st. They are currently interviewing for the position.

Region E: No report.

Region F: No report.

Old business:

None.

New business:

Pam Collins and Susan McLeod were sworn in. They were unable to attend the meeting at the conference.

The next conference will be at Sea Trail. This was the most popular site base on the conference surveys.

Scholarships will be available for RPL and the state conference. Information on the scholarships will be on the website soon.

During yesterday's meeting where a balanced budget was completed, we added a line in the budget for 911 Goes to Raleigh. We put 25 rooms for this as we did last year for people whose agency could not pay. Our lobbyist believes this is a very important event.

President Reid wants NC APCO to get back to its roots – historically this means radios. He is hoping to get more radio personnel involved with the chapter.

Our lobbyist said it was important that we reach out to the legislators and other entities involving public safety.

Marsha Withrow would like to see something on the website about the conference soon – like in January. The dates are September 7th through 11th, 2014.

There was a drawing for the TC symposium – Rebecca Boles – Winston Salem PD won.

Ronnie Barefoot made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Capparelli, NC APCO Secretary