

Business Meeting Minutes
March 19, 2002

The Business meeting of the Texas Chapter of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials – International, Inc. was held during the spring conference at the Inn of the Hills, Kerrville. The meeting was chaired by President-Elect Jeff Haislet. The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.

Copies of the previous minutes were made available to members present. After a brief discussion of the minutes, a motion was made by Becky Stewart to dispense with the reading of the minutes as written and seconded by Robert Sanders. The motion passed.

Treasurer, Kim Killion, presented the financial report. Motion was made to file by Joe Hanna and seconded by Keith Bickley. Motion passed to file for audit according to by-laws.

Committee Reports

Executive Council

Wanda McCarley

- ? Explanation of the Executive position issues to all new members
I.e.: legal fees, budget fees, AFC, APCO Institute, line items for projects
- ? Make recommendation that APCO consider extending deadline for nominating candidate if one drops out
- ? Recommend changes of Charter and By-Laws in order for APCO International to be truly international organization
- ? Region policy manual has passed after two years. Regional Conferences are now optional
- ? Public-Safety foundation – \$25 million from Nextel proposal reference the wireless 9-1-1 Phase 2. Waiver granted by FCC.

Jeff Haislet had addressed concerns to Glen Nash, President of National, that the Texas Chapter has in using the money from Nextel in developing programs and overhead instead of putting the money back into the PSAP's. This will not affect Texas but will help states who have no money and who need hardware and/or software. A Resolution Proposal was presented to the Chapter to be sent to National. Motion was made and second by Keith Bickley and Gerard Eads. Motion passed with Joe Hanna abstaining from vote.

Frequency Coordination

Ken Yoder

- ? FCC Audit: If you have not responded to the commission on this topic – do so ASAP. Due to September 11, 2001, some mail was never sent or received. If you didn't receive your audit, go the FCC Web page and find out if they sent the report to you.
- ? 700 MHz Planning: Three of the six regions in Texas have conducted their first meeting. Region 40, 50, 52 have not met as of March 2002. You really need to get involved in the planning process. All indications point to this band as the most important spectrum available to public safety.

Education

Dana Schell - Already planning topics for the fall conference. George Cantu of Round Rock will be assisting.

Election of Officers

Gerard Eads

- ? National has letter packet for nomination and signature of supervisor on letterhead
 - ? Proposal of changes to Chapter by-laws on election of officers
- Ken Yoder recommended 45 day mail out for nominations. Motion made by Krista Roberts and second by Wanda McCarley. Motion passed

Conference Report

- ? 150 people attended the Spring Conference.
- ? Recommendations for class style seating in the fall
- ? Positive feedback on the quality of programs and the location
- ? Fall conference October 13 – 16 at Del Lago, Lake Conroe

New Business

The **Awards** Committee was chaired by Becky Stewart. Jeff Haislet announced the Telecommunicator of the Year to be Kim Killion, North Richland Hills Police Department. The award will be presented at the fall conference.

Nominations will be taken for 2nd Vice President to be voted on in the fall.

The spring 2002 Conference is dedicated to Alan Branson. A donation of \$100 will be made to the Silent Key, in which funds are used for scholarships to further careers.

Joe Hanna, Past President of National, was recognized for attending the conference.

CAC – Von Beals advised that a National CAC list serve was established. CAC seeking direction from the Board of Officers at the fall conference.

Keith Bickley reported that membership had dropped but was coming back up. Recommended an e-mail notice to members to go the Texas APCO website.

Joe Hanna and Keith Bickley made a motion and second for the meeting to adjourn.

? Texas APCO has a list serve at apco-1 @egroups.com for all the members to use.