

Business Meeting Minutes
October 14, 2003

The Business meeting of the Texas Chapter of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials – International, Inc. was held during the fall conference at Sheraton Four Points, San Antonio. President Jeff Haislet chaired the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Copies of the previous minutes were made available to members present. A correction to the Board Minutes was made for Molly McHenney's spelling. A motion was made by Gerard Eads to dispense with the reading of the minutes as written and seconded by Joe Hanna. The motion passed.

Treasure report was submitted by Kim Killion. Motion made by Ken Yoder and second by Joe Hanna for treasure report to be accepted. The motion passed.

The Chapter recognized Wanda McCarley, 2nd Vice President of National APCO, Philip Jones, TERT Representative of APCO, and Joe Hanna, Past President of National APCO.

Committee Reports

Executive Council

Wanda McCarley

- 9-11 legislation passed house but was held up
- Proposal to take spectrum and move to executive branch
- FCC best to represent Public Safety Homeland Security – to make sure public safety interest is taken care of
- International Development Plan – new affiliate with Great Britain and working on E-APCO affiliate
- Strategic Plan can be obtained – tool to help stop personal agendas and take care of members.
- Series of 800mhz Symposiums

Frequency Coordination

Ken Yoder

- Introduced Co-Advisor Molly McHenney.
- New Frequency coordination form on web, does have bug
- Ken Yoder retired from Texas Department of Public Safety.

Nomination Committee

Gerard Eads

It takes time and commitment to your profession. Members are the future of APCO. Lots of planning and conference calls. Holly Faison, regional supervisor for Texas Department of Public Safety and Deborah Turner, deputy director of Montgomery County 9-1-1, were introduced as nominees for 2nd Vice President.

New Business

Wanda McCarley announced that a legislative committee has been added to the list of committees. The Chapter will appoint a Legislative Chair. The committee will move issues of Public Safety forward and keep members apprised. It will require a change to the by-laws. We need to appoint a temporary committee and then vote at the next meeting with proper wording. The 9-1-1 district lobbyist will work with the APCO chairperson.

Carl Dorton and Joe Hanna made to motion for TEXAS CHAPTER OF APCO to make bid for the 2010 International conference. National does all the work for sight selection and the Executive Council votes on it. The Chapter stands to gain \$40,000 as host. Motion passed.

Special agenda – Rebecca Rae moved for financial assistance in order for the board to attend National and State. The level of financial assistance will cover the registration fee, lodging, etc. Sixteen chapters offer this to their board members. Agencies want board participation but have no financial budget. Gerard Eads recommended limiting to \$12,000 a year. Robert Gunter made an amendment to offer as option that those board members do not pay if agency funding is not there. Motion passed.

Joe Hanna – Spectrum issue 800 MHz. Consensus party to find interference problem. Docket 0255 raised issues on financial structure to adequately compensate entity forced to migrate. Joe made the motion for the Chapter to authorize the board to write a letter challenging the financial issue. Ken Yoder second. Joe Aboulhosn referred to the cap on what Nextel will pay. Public Safety should not pay anything. Motion passed and a sub-committee will be Gerard Eads, Dan Scrivener and Joe Hanna.

Elections were held for 2nd Vice President. Holly Faison was voted in. Ken Yoder and Joe Hanna made motion and second to accept the count and for the board to move up in positions. The Board of Officers was sworn in by Joe Hanna, Past President. Becky Stewart - President, Keith Bickley- President Elect, Bill Keller -1st Vice President, Holly Faison - 2nd Vice President. Becky Stewart presented Jeff Haislet with a plaque on behalf of the Chapter. He was appointed as National Executive Council representative to fulfill Wanda McCarley's unexpired term.

Nominations for Telecommunicator of the Year need to be submitted for the Spring Conference.

Spring Conference will be held on South Padre Island. Date and location will be announced. There will be a fishing tournament.

The Fall Conference will be held in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Motion was made and second by Ken Yoder and Gerard Eads for meeting to adjourn.

Board Meeting Minutes
February 28, 2004