

VIRGINIA APCO CHAPTER
BUSINESS MEETING
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

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next business meeting.)

May 21, 2010

The spring business meeting of the Virginia Chapter of APCO was called to order at 10:45 a.m. President Karen Johnson presiding.

1. The annual awards ceremony was held during a luncheon of the spring conference on Wednesday, May 19, 2010. The following individuals received awards:
 - Outstanding Individual Performance in a Critical Incident: Melony Markel (Hampton Public Safety Emergency Communications Division)
 - Outstanding Team Performance in a Critical Incident: Melissa Morris and Garrett Bowman (Greene County Sheriff's Office)
 - Telecommunicator of the Year: Charlotte "Lisa" Gibbons (Eastern Shore of Virginia 911 Commission)
 - Communications Trainer of the Year: Nicholas Stephaniak (Stafford County)
 - Line Supervisor of the Year: Donald Winsock (Arlington County Emergency Communications Center)
 - Communications Center Leader of the Year: Philip Heins (Hanover County)

The President noted the attendance of Sheriff Charles Jett, President of the Virginia State Sheriff's Association.

2. Virginia NENA Board was thanked for all of their efforts in coordinating this spring conference.
3. APCO Int'l Annual Conference will be held August 1-5, 2010 in Houston, Texas. Please let President Johnson know if you plan on attending. The Chapter typically coordinates a gathering at the Annual Conference.
4. The VA APCO/NENA/SIEC fall conference: Pre-conference on November 2, 2010 followed by the fall conference November 3 – 5, 2010. It will be held at the Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, VA. Call for papers are being accepted through June 15, 2010. The Scholarship will be available through the Virginia Wireless Services Board.
5. VA Chapter Incorporation progress. Housekeeping changes needed to the Chapter's Constitution and Bylaws (C&B) to facilitate the incorporation. Steve Basnett presented, on behalf of the C&B Committee Chair, Tom Hanson, the resolutions for consideration. A motion was made by Bill Agee to accept all resolutions presented, seconded by Phil Heins. None opposed.
6. Future conference rate changes under consideration. More to follow.
7. Secretary's report will be read at the fall conference.
8. Treasurer's report tabled to the fall conference.
9. Committee Reports:
 - a. Membership: No report

- b. Nominating Committee (Scott Chandler, Chair): Invitations will be out shortly for upcoming nominations to be placed on the fall conference ballot.
 - c. Awards Committee (Kathy Richardson): Nothing to report.
 - d. Training Committee (Nicki Tidey): More information on website; asking VA APCO for funding to facilitate CISM class.
 - e. TERT (Julie McKercher): Two observations: 1 – The lack of the dispatcher not being considered a “first responder” has become a problem; and 2 – initial planning members of VA TERT have dwindled off and has come up the need to revamp the program and application process. Julie is welcoming new ideas and new members to the committee.
 - f. Fall Conference Committee (Bill Agee and Buster Brown):
 - i. The 2009 fall conference information:
 - 1. Showed us sixteen short of 2006 East Coast Regional attendance of 560 attendees.
 - 2. Transportation and rooms away from the Hotel Roanoke were a challenge.
 - ii. Trying to have all rooms at the Hotel Roanoke in 2010; however, Virginia Tech does have a home game this year which could again effect rooms at the hotel.
 - iii. Registrations will be accepted through Pay Pal, very similar to the process used by Virginia NENA for the spring conference.
 - iv. Room reservations will be “self-made” this year.
 - v. Insurance is being researched for conference.
 - g. Region 42 – 800 Committee – Linda Boring elected to Chair 800 Committee in coming year.
 - h. Region 42 – 700 Committee – No report.
 - i. SIEC (Steve Basnett): 2009 grant cycle pending; Grants working group revamping process and applications.
 - j. SIRS (Phil Heins): SIRS committee bringing Constitution and Bylaws up-to-date; they are having Board meetings on a regular basis.
10. Executive Council Member (Bill Agee)
 - a. Bill has been participating in monthly conference calls for regional representatives of the APCO Board.
 - b. A lot of activity regarding the “d-block.” Visit website for more information (www.apcointl.org).
 - c. Different membership levels being considered.
11. During the VENA meeting, information regarding a Verizon bill for wireless trunk line services was discussed; bringing the membership up-to-date concerning correspondence which was drafted by 8 localities and presented to the Wireless Service Board raising concern regarding a pending payment to Verizon for wireless trunk services. There are many questions which have been raised. Of note, Steve Marzolf and Dorothy Spears-Dean met with the APCO Board yesterday and had a lengthy discussion which provided a lot of information for consideration, clearing up some questions. Steve Basnett made a motion of support to the Virginia APCO Board to represent this issue with the Wireless Services Board on behalf of the PSAPs throughout the Commonwealth, seconded by Julie McKercher, vote unanimous.

There being no other business, Steve Basnett made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Julie McKercher. The meeting adjourned at 11:15a.m.

Respectfully,

Carol W. Adams,
Immediate Past-President