



APCO International

**Chapter Meeting Minutes – Thursday, September 6, 2007
University of Illinois – Institute of Aviation, Champaign, IL**

CALLED TO ORDER PRESIDENT MARQUARDT AT 10:50 AM

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Attending	Not Attending
President Al Marquardt	1st Vice President Jason Kern
2nd Vice President Jim Richardson	Director Jerry Bleck
Treasurer T.G. Mieure	Director Sherrill Ornberg
Secretary Ed Milam	Frequency Advisor North Bill Carter
International Executive Council Representative Gregg Riddle	Past President Steve Cordes
Director Mike O'Connor	800 Mhz Frequency Advisor Chris Kindelspire
Dennis Stillwagon, Commercial	
Frequency Advisor T.J. Ward	

President Marquardt welcomed members to the meeting

REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM CHAPTER MEETING OF 8/6/07

Motion to approve the minutes as read by Rauter, 2nd by O'Connor, Motion passed.

OFFICER REPORTS

1ST Vice President Jason Kern - No report

2ND Vice President Jim Richardson:

- Discussion on APCO annual conference committee meetings and to the new APCO International website.
- Mentoring program for new IL APCO members
 - 2 letters will be sent to new members and the plan involves mentoring new members for a 1 year period.
 - The purpose of which his member orientation and retain members.
 - Also hoping to perform an membership trend analysis for a 10 year period

Executive Council Representative Gregg Riddle reported:

- APCO passed 12 resolutions at the Annual Conference,. The resolution affirmed a restructuring of APCO with its international affiliates. The International agencies are now are operating independently. Also created was an International Chapter of APCO which encompasses members who are not affiliated with an International Agency. The International Chapter will have an Executive Council representative.
- APCO operated at 500k deficit last year and reserves were used to balance the budget. This affected our overall financial health on a temporary basis. Revenue shortfalls were mostly caused by a reduction of activity in the AFC Division. Action taken included the reducing of staff for the new fiscal year.
- Also adopted at the conference was a change in the CFO position which had been previously been combined with the Controller position. The controller is not an employee, but a contractor, and reports directly to the Board of Officers. The CFO reports to the Executive Director and is being temporarily filled.
- RPL Program – TG, Jim Richardson and I have all recently completed the RPL program and I highly encourage members to consider taking the course. Dave Swan is also part of the RPL program. First class begins on 09/26/07. Next Class is scheduled for January of 2008. It’s about \$950 and lasts for a 1 year period. Marquardt added that in 2008 we hope to sponsor a scholarship for 1 person. Riddle also added that APCO International also sponsors scholarships directly sponsored by an endowment from John Lane, former APCO attorney.
- Membership renewal starts in October and the previous membership card printer has been fired. New rates increased by \$ 3.00 due to CPI adjustments.

Treasurers report by T.G. Mieure

Reporting period from 07/16/07 – 08/15/07:

Income: 366.91

Expenses: 0

Checking:	4,445.83
CD's:	18,952.58
Money Market:	60,776.92
TOTAL:	84,175.33

Budget progress report was provided also.

Motion to approve the treasurer’s report by Miller, 2nd by Richardson. Motion passed.

- Audit and taxes are in progress, a status report is due.
- T.G. reported about his positive experience in taking the RPL program. He especially was impressed with the historical portion of the program thanks to Life Member Dave Swan. T.G. also noted that the program earns AMA Ceu’s for the class sessions.

Secretary Ed Milam reported:

- The Illinois Chapter membership stands at 521 as of July 2007. Active 378, Commercial 66, Member 78

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS:

Director Jerry Bleck: No report

Director Sherrill Ornberg: No report

Director Mike O'Connor: Mike arranged for the ILEAS Update program for today.

Past President Steve Cordes : No report

Frequency Advisor T.J. Ward reported:

- 800 Mhz revised rule making is still in progress, so we can't go to the new frequencies and no changes can be made to the old frequency until this is completed. RPC for 700 Mhz has been stopped. Adjustments will be needed for in the RPC Plans due to the new instructions by the FCC and restructuring of the frequency plan.

Dennis Stillwagon, Commercial Advisory Committee

OLD BUSINESS:

- **License plates – mock ups will be posted on the web. Plans to be finalized for the plates at the next Executive Board meeting**
- APCO awards deadline is September 15, 2007
- APCO scholarship deadline is September 15, 2007
- **Emnet** – Rauter reported on Emnet. Every PSAP should be receiving an Emnet terminal. Problems with installs should be referred to the statewide coordinator. Standards out soon on Emnet as well as operational guidelines.
- MABAS Committee – Revamped a bit, watch www.mabasradio.org for new advocacy statements
- Historical – We are in process of seeking student employees to work in the historical collection. Also the Committee was well representative at the Annual Conference.
- PSAP committee – Brian Tegtmeyer reported that John Mostacio will be meeting soon with the PSA Committee to begin work on new offerings.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Pam Schaulbel resigned her Director position in August. The position will remain vacant until the Annual election.
- Narrow banding for ISPERN/IFERN – Rauter : All statewide frequencies are encompassed in a plan to transition on these important frequencies. 2010 manufacturers will stop making wideband equipment. Guidelines and plans are being developed. Reports will be coming.
- Ford Synce system – Is a type of CAN that employs the use of a wireless phone in a vehicle with the driver. Ford is planning to do a demo for a limited amount of PS Communications personnel. There are some questions as to whether the system is a violation of current 9-1-1 regulations and guidelines for automatic dialers.
- Wescom will be testing a MaComm(p7200) and a Tait radio on the StarCom 21 system. Additional talk groups will be added to the Starcom21 system in the future. A PSAP hailing talk group is planned. It will necessitate the need to reprogram the radios and it will provide a place for dispatcher centers to park.
- Steve Peters from IDOT advises that the Edacs system is being switched over to Starcom21 on 09/18/07.

Motion to adjourn by Mieure 2nd by Tegtmeyer. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 11:42 hours.

Respectfully submitted

Ed Milam

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Secretary

Illinois Chapter of APCO International