



APCO International

Minutes of the Illinois APCO Executive Board Meeting January 25th, 2006 Held at the Quadcom Central Dispatch, Carpentersville, IL

Officers Attending: President Steve Cordes
1st Vice President Al Marquardt
2nd Vice President Jason Kern
Executive Council Representative Gregg Riddle
Treasurer T.G. Mieure
Secretary Ed Milam
Director Jerry Bleck
Past President Sherrill Ornberg

Absent: Director Bill Janes
Director Pamela Schaubel
Director / Frequency Advisor Bill Carter
Frequency Advisor T.J. Ward
Dennis Stillwagon, Commercial Advisory

Also attending was APCO Life Member David Swan

Meeting called to order by President Cordes at 10:04 hours

Review and approval of minutes from the November 17, 2005 Executive Board Meeting.
Motion by Bleck to approve minutes, 2nd by Kern. Motion carried.

President Cordes reported: No report at this time

1st Vice President Marquardt reported:

- No additional volunteers have come forward to serve on 2006 Committees
 - Intend to give direction to Committee Chairs

2nd Vice President Kern reported:

- NTW IL License plates for 2006 unable to successfully make contact with my SOS. Will continue to try. Presale is at about 35 as of today. It takes about 100 plates to break even on the program. 2005 profit was \$ 130. For 2006 postage should be less due to the plate material being lighter.
- Jack Enter training set for February 23rd, 2 class sessions. Triton PD to send 2 employees at no charge.

Executive Council Representative Gregg Riddle reported:

- The “Everybody Wins” membership campaign is in progress. A number of prizes are being offered to members who bring in new members.
- Project RETAINS Symposium March 22 in Chicago
- Executive Director Search Committee
 - Ads have been run in national publications. 250 resumes have been received as of this time. Initial screening is in progress and telephone interviews are to begin soon. Face to face interviews will follow in February or March pending on background checks.
- Topics for the Mid-Year Executive Council meeting include:
 - The office location of the Executive Director. The face and the direction of the organization need to be decided on this matter. Riddle described the duties of the current staff in the Washington Government Affairs office.
 - Upcoming Congressional Awards Dinner in Washington. Several persons are receiving awards from the organization.
 - Changes in by-laws for PSFA. No additional money is coming into the organization at this time. Therefore changes will be made to make it possible for the organization to seek out funds from additional sources and to adjust the mission of the organization to a wider scope than just wireless. PSFA will also be allowed to apply and utilize Federal funds for research, etc.
 - Dues increase for 2007, approximately \$ 3.00
 - Selection of the 2008 mid year meeting location.
 - Site selection for the 2013 Annual conference

At this time the agenda was suspended in order to conduct a conference call with Executive Board Members from Illinois NENA.

David Tuttle, President of Illinois NENA stated that the purpose of the conference call was to discuss and form a committee of 9 people to assist in drafting legislation on 9-1-1 surcharge issues. Norm Forshee also on the call stated that the persons involved in the committee will need to have authority to act with the authorization of the boards. Riddle stated that the Sheriffs Association (Greg Sullivan) is proposing a \$ 2.50 wireless surcharge with .25 going to the carriers. A discussion was held reference to the validity of this information and Norm Forshee stated that he would investigate the source. Tuttle restated that the purpose of the conference call today was to form the committee and move forward and progress with the help of information developed by the work of the VOIP committee, etc.

Proposed Committee members are:

Norm Forshee
Maury Faubman – Co chairman
John Kelly
Mike O’Connor

Jeff Phillips – Co chairman
Ken Smith
Bill Janes
Ed Sheer
Mallorie Tuebner
Tammy Peterson
Doug Miller
Alternate Gregg Riddle will serve as a liaison for the Illinois Fire Chiefs to the Committee

Faubman stated that the committee members should be prepared to present talking points as a starting point for the work. Forshee stated that the committee must form a listing of bullet points on the intent and purpose of the legislation after determination and development of a list of political point men for this project.
The conference call ended at 1111 hours.

Cordes asked for comments and thoughts:

Riddle suggested the wireless surcharge be increased. Cordes Indicated that his political contact advised that there is a low chance for success for legislative relief due to the political calendar. Riddle comments on the structure of the surcharge and suggested the basis of the surcharge be adjusted for the level of service being provided. Riddle also would like to VOIP classified as a mobile service and included in this legislation.

Executive Council Representative Gregg Riddle report (continued)

- APCO reports that the overall financial health is satisfactory at this time. The Board of Officers is working to revise the strategic plan. Riddle participated in the plan redevelopment.
- VP Carter is seeking to rename the “Walk of Heroes” in honor of Ken Kruger who helped lead the rehabilitation.
- C&B Discussion reference to the submission of meeting minutes to APCO and the Chapter individual meeting schedules.
- Riddle is leaving this coming Friday to assist with orientation of new Executive Council members. There are many new members joining the council in 2006. Wanda McCarly will be installed as the Associations new president during the meeting.

Treasurer T.G. Mieure – No report

Old Business

- **2006 Budget – Reviewed projected revenue and expenses**
 - **Motion by Kern, 2nd by Bleck to purchase 2 laptop computers not to exceed \$ 1,400 for each unit. Yes: 6, No: 0 Abstain: 2 Motion carried.**
 - **Motion by Marquardt, 2nd by Mieure, to raise the Orro Rhodes scholarship to \$ 4,000. Motion carried**

- Cordes raised the question of purchasing an entire table at the APCO Washington dinner at a cost of \$ 1,500. Adjustments were made in the budget to allow for 4 board members to attend.
- **Motion by Marquardt, 2nd by Mieure, to raise the donation to the APCO Historical Collection to \$ 3,000.** Discussion followed and Marquardt amended and revised his motion to \$ 500 once again 2nd by Mieure. Yes: 7 No: 1 **Motion carried.**
- Riddle suggested that we present a \$ 1,000 check to the Heritage Foundation. The board agreed.
- **Motion by Marquardt, 2nd by Kern to approve the 2006 budget as amended. Motion carried.**

New Business

- **June outing**
 - Mieure presented information for the Peoria Chiefs game on June 22, 2006 versus the Quad City Swing also to move the Executive Board meeting from July to this date. Historical Collection tour at 1530 hours followed by the Executive Board meeting at 1700 hours at Peoria ECC.
- **Illinois Telecommunicator Emergency Response Team (IL-TERT)**
 - Riddle reported that discussion is in progress on the structure of the organization. It is the feeling that ILEAS/MABAS do not provide a structure to protect Telecommunicators in this organization. IEMA/MABAS/ILEAS would enter into MOU's with IL-TERT. Also discussion involved the possibility of using IPSTA for the joint organization. Riddle stated that this problem may set back the process by one year.
- **Historical Collection**
 - Dave Swan is requesting a five percent increase in the student salaries. Swan also stated that he is scrutinizing financial statements provided by the University. Swan presented a spreadsheet listing Bradley expenses. Swan also presented a deposit agreement that he proposes to use for State Chapters of APCO. The proposed agreements will be reviewed and possibly modified.
- **Public Safety Ad Campaign**
 - Dave Swan also presented information on an ad campaign regarding false or non-intentional 9-1-1 calls. Additional information on the concept will be examined and considered for joint INENA and IAPCO cooperation.
- **By-law change**
 - Proposal to modify the by-laws to reduce election costs for uncontested elections. A proposal was presented to the board. **Motion by Mieure, 2nd by Bleck to approve a resolution to modify the by-laws for uncontested elections. Motion carried. The resolution will be passed onto the entire active membership later in the year.**

- IPSTA Conference will in 2007 to the Crown Plaza and associated properties for a 3 year period.
- Swan presented a modified Chapter letterhead that he feels complies with the new APCO style guidelines. No approval action was taken.

Motion to adjourn by Kern, 2nd by Marquardt. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1310 hours.

Respectfully submitted

Ed Milam
Chapter Secretary