



APCO International

Minutes of the Illinois Chapter of APCO Executive Board Meeting Thursday, January 18th, 2007 Held at the Park Ridge Fire Department – Administration Center

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

President Marquardt called the meeting to order at 10:03 hours

The minutes for the November 16th, 2006 Executive Board meeting were presented for review and approval. **Motion by Riddle, 2nd by Ornberg to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.**

President Marquardt comments:

- Illinois Chapter Executive Board Roster has been updated as well as the Chapter Letterhead
- On January 12th, 2007 there was a ICAC Committee meeting held in Gurnee for the purpose of defining the role of the CAC in Chapter activities for 2007. Marquardt, Richardson and Stillwagon were present for the meeting.
 - Dennis Stillwagon reported reviewing the Commercial membership listing of the Chapter and will be seeking additional participation from the Commercial members in the Chapter activities.
 - Gregg Riddle requested a sponsor for beverages for a possible September 10th, 2007 training session.

- Brief discussion regarding the current status of Bill Carter and his frequency advisor duties. Chris Kindelspire will be covering Bills duties on matters where a conflict may exist with his current employer.

1st Vice President Jason Kern comments:

- 2007 NTW License plate orders stand 82 paid as of this date. We are at a break even point at this time. Plates will be mailed out approximately January 31, 2007.
- After the 2007 NTW license plate review, President Marquardt raised the question if this was something the APCO Board desired to continue with in 2008. Kern reviewed the problems he has run into when dealing with the Secretary of State's office, along with a drop in the purchases, even with NENA being involved – discussion continued. **Motion by Kern to end the Special License Plate program after 2007, 2nd by Richardson. Motion carried.**

2nd Vice President Jim Richardson comments:

- Jim is honored to be serving with the Board and he wished to thank those members who have helped mentor him to this point through the organization.

Executive Council Representative Gregg Riddle comments:

- The Mid-Year meeting of the Executive Council will be held in Jacksonville, FL on February 8th through the 10th, 2007. Gregg will be meeting with the National Board on his various Committees he serves with on a National level. The C&B Committee has developed 11 resolutions for consideration by the Annual Quorum. Many of these are related to the creation of an International Chapter. This will include members who do not reside in the United States or its territories. An Executive Council Representative will be included in these changes and it will most likely be Manfred Blaha.
- The Deputy Director position has been created and will work in the Florida HQ office. The search is in progress for this position.
- The APCO Institute Registered Public-Safety Leader program continues with its first class at this time. Illinois Chapter members include Gregg Riddle, Jim Richardson, T.G. Mieure and Dave Swan. The program consists of 5 courses. Dave Swan is assisting with the Historical section of the course. The course cost is set at \$ 900.00. Comments were made in reference to the need to devote adequate time to the course work. Riddle urged all Board Members to participate in the RPL Program.

Treasurer T.G. Mieux comments:

Treasurer's report presented:

TREASURER'S REPORT
12/21/06 - 01/18/07

Expenses	\$1,839.90
Income	\$2,214.90
CD's	\$18,516.79
Money Market	\$45,608.80
Checking	\$10,467.66
Total	\$74,593.25

Motion by Richardson to approve the Treasurers report as presented, 2nd by Ornberg. Motion carried.

Marquardt asked Mieux to give an update on the status of having an audit completed on our books. Marquardt commented on the need to conduct the audit as soon as possible, and advised Mieux to contact the Audit company and advise them it didn't to be completed by 3/1/07.

Secretary Ed Milam comments:

- Milam reported on the mailing including the seminar registrations for the February classes and the 9-1-1 Conference Certificate Program. Delays have occurred in the Certificate Program due to Milam's health and logistical issues of late.
- Draft Treasurers web page of presented for review to the board members, comments are forthcoming.

Directors O'Connor, Schaubel and Ornberg had no comments as of this time.

Past President Cordes had no comments at this time.

Frequency Advisor Ward comments:

- Ward reported that the FCC is holding all 800Mhz applications until the next 800Mhz Transition Meeting.
- Report from the recent Region 54 meeting
 - Approval of 700 Mhz plan for neighboring Region 13
 - Discussion on wide-band data
 - Region 54 is including wideband/broadband data in their 700 Mhz plan.
- Riddle asked for comments from Ward on the situation with Nextel/Sprint and the transition process for 800Mhz. There are some who are

questioning whether the full transition will ever be completed and if resources exist to complete the plan.

Commercial Advisory Dennis Stillwagon had no comments but Riddle requested feedback reference to the planned schedule changed at the 9-1-1 conference Tuesday lunch. The goal is to have more vendors attend.

Old Business

- 2007 Meeting schedule was reviewed. Marquardt asked about a meeting facility at O'Brien Field for our June outing in Peoria for the purpose of a Chapter meeting. Mieure to check into the matter.
- IPSTA is considering offering an NG 9-1-1 Training class from NENA on September 10th, 2007 at the Crown Plaza. Tentative cost \$ 50.00 per person. Ornberg questioned the technical level of this class; this class is not for telecommunicator personnel.
- NG 9-1-1 Committee – Illinois APCO is paid through June 2007 for our joint effort with I-NENA. Marquardt requested comments reference to the continued funding of this effort into the 2nd half of 2007. Riddle stated that INENA cannot fund this project alone. Neighboring Chapters are still being consulted but no participation has been offered at this time. Norm Forshee will be reporting at an upcoming Chapter meeting. Riddle suggested that Norm make his presentation at the May meeting and that the presentation might be made after lunch has been served. This will be discussed further at the March Executive Board meeting.
- Committees 2007-08 – The PSAP Committee still requires a Chairperson for this Committee.
- APCO / NENA Joint meetings – The MABAS Conference Committee has agreed to give us a meeting place during the MABAS Conference on March 1st @ 1030 hours in the Pierre Marquette Hotel.
- February training – Stillwagon is attempting to obtain a sponsor for these training sessions. Marquardt stated he would like Board members to be present at each session. Ornberg stated she would be there each morning after lunch and after class.

New Business

- Member retention – Kern and Richardson reported that as of our latest report from APCO Membership Services we have 130 members who have not renewed for 2007. E-mails have been sent to 99 of these members, 18 have bounced back and 16 have responded with a variety of answers. Richardson, Kern and Marquardt to work jointly on marketing ideas. Riddle suggested a new member mentoring program to help with orientation and to assist in retaining members. Kern and Richardson will give a report at the March Executive Board Meeting.

- RPL Program funding – Kern suggested consideration of budgeting funds to assist in funding participation in the RPL program. Richardson to bring this back to the Scholarship Committee.
- Attendance note: Marquardt and Richardson will be absent for the March Executive Board meeting planned for March 15th in Mundelein. Marquardt stated he will do his best to call in via the conference bridge.

Motion by Cordes to adjourn, 2nd by Richardson. Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 1152 hours

Next Executive Board meeting – March 15th, 2007 @ 1000 hours

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Milam

Ed Milam, Chapter Secretary

Illinois Chapter of APCO International

Note: Next meeting date changed to March 29th, 2007 @ 1000 hours at Mundelein PD due to numerous board member scheduling conflicts.