

MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF APCO
January 25, 2001
Barry County Central Dispatch

The meeting was called to order by Harvey Becker at 10:00 a.m. Charlie Nystrom welcomed everyone to his facilities.

Harvey Becker led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

The agenda was approved.

John Bawol gave the new member report. Sgt. Tom Fiero of the Jackson County Sheriff Department introduced himself as a new member present. The remaining members introduced themselves.

Harvey Becker advised that a sign-in sheet was being passed for Sharon Terry, who was unable to attend. Motion by Andy and support by Suzan Hensel to approve the October minutes. Motion approved.

Andy motioned to approve the treasurer¹s report, second by Tom Altman. Motion approved. Harvey Becker explained to the misprint in the newsletter about the expense reimbursement for Suzan Hensel for the 2000 National Conference.

Harvey Becker gave the president¹s report and advised that several handouts regarding training dates and conferences are available. He advised that the Executive Board had met and discussed how they would support the Spring Conference. APCO is providing scholarships and are indirectly supporting NENA for this. The dates are May 21-24th at the Amway Grand in Grand Rapids, MI.

He also advised that a listing of the committees and their chairs is available.

Discussion occurred about changing the APCO meeting dates to a Friday instead of Thursdays. Lloyd Fayling motioned to move the meeting dates to Friday. Further discussion occurred. Support for the motion was not given.

The 2001 APCO meeting schedule was listed incorrectly in the Newsletter. The correct schedule is as follows:

January 25, 2001 in Barry County

March 22, 2001 in Midland County

May 22, 2001 in Grand Rapids at the Spring Conference

July 26, 2001 in Ottawa County

September 2, 2001 at the Fall Conference held at the Kettunen Center

October 22, 2001 at the Annual Meeting held in Frankenmuth.

Bill Charon moved to correct the meeting dates. Support offered by Dick Beltnick. Motion approved.

Harvey Becker announced that there was a Regional Planning meeting in Lansing regarding the 700 mhz.

Discussion on the proposed 2001 budget was held. Suzan Hensel moved to approve, support by Jim Crichton. Motion carried.

James Crichton gave the Activities and Membership report. Discussion was held on sponsorships for the Spring Scholarships, which is to include three nights plus conference registration. Further information will be in the March newsletter. John Bawol advised of the cost involved in printing and mailing of the newsletter, and discussion was held regarding email and website publication of the newsletter. John further advised that miapco.org domain is available. Andy motioned to appoint John Bawol as webmaster for the new website and to allocate funding to establish and maintain said website with a \$600.00 limit. Second received by Charlie Nystrom. Motion carried. Lloyd Fayling suggested that investigation into the National website be made to see if they allow further development from their website. It was suggested that John contact Pat Coates to see if she has any developments done in this area. Further discussion was held regarding the allotment of sponsorship to the website. Advertising on the website was dis

Charlie Nystrom gave his report regarding the Telecommunications Operating Procedure Committee. Nominations need to be submitted quickly for Telecommunicator of the year and Director of the year. A deadline date is not available, but it is certain that the National deadline would not be met this year. However, it is a very detailed process and a deadline needs to be established for presentation at the Annual Meeting.

Pat Coates advises that the MPSFAC has not met since the last report. Dick Demello gave a report on the 700 MHz and some of the requirements. He indicated that the renewal process is very smooth. There is some concern over the 800 MHz interference and a submission for a ³zero tolerance interference² is being made to the FCC with the violator being asked to stop transmission. Dick also gave an update of his participation in the Canadian Committees. There is concern of keeping the spectrum isolated for Public Safety use for better communications for both sides of the border, and leave television out of the spectrum. A signup sheet was passed for those wanting to receive further information.

Dick further advised that he and Bill Folske have visited the National Office in Florida. Dick thanked the Michigan Chapter of APCO for the donation for the break room named in honor of William Folske. He gave an update on how nice the new facilities were. The plaque has not been completed yet and Dick believes that they will have them all made at the same time.

Lloyd Fayling gave his report for the National Committee. A handout was provided for the National Budget, and Lloyd advised that it was a short year as the fiscal year has been changed. A more in-depth report will be given after his visit in April.

No report available on the Historical Committee.

No report available on the Corporate Advisor Committee.

John Bawol presented his report on the Fall Conference which will be held at Kettunen Center this year instead of Higgins Lake. More vendor room will be available. The theme for this years conference is 9-1-1 What Is Your Role? Prices will be held the same as last year with the exception of the daily passes.

Door Prizes were given away.

Suzan Hensel gave an overview of the ETSC happenings. February 21, 2001 at 10:00 in Clinton County is the next ETSC meeting. Voting procedures and attendance issues will be addressed. 16 points is the basis for working with MCOLES and Charlie Nystrom is now going to be working with this. A training seminar sponsored by NENA, AMUG and ETSC on Critical Issues Forum will be held in Mt. Pleasant at the Pohlcat. This seminar will be free with the exception of lodging. The date for this is Wednesday, March 28, 2001 from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Registration is required, and a mailing will be forthcoming. Motioned by Jim Fyvie to authorize spending up to \$1000 for support. Tom Altman offered support. Motion carried.

Suzan Hensel further advised that she has enjoyed serving on the boards in the past.

Harvey Becker gave an update on the Resolutions and By-Laws Committee. Things that will be looked into are the Frequency Advisory Committee, absentee ballot methods and voting issues, changing National APCO to APCO International, Inc. It is also the goal to ensure that all APCO members have access to the ³official² current By-Laws and Constitution electronically.

Old Business: Harvey advised that the travel and expense project was still being worked on. Something further would be available at the next meeting.

Dick Demello gave an update on the time capsule.

Motion by Suzan Hensel to adjourn. Support offered by Lloyd Fayling. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.