

May 21, 2002 Minutes  
Amway Grand Plaza

Meeting Called to Order at 6:28 p.m.

President Russell thanked the NENA organization for hosting the MI-APCO meeting during their conference. There were no amendments to the agenda.

Al Kear-Verizon Program Manager, Mike Ash-Director of Shiawassee, Connie Shephard-Auburn Hills and Robert Stayling-Eaton County were first time attendees. Kirk Blower did not have a new member report to present at this time.

President Russell announced that the minutes would not be read as they have been provided to the attendees and have been posted on the website. Moved by Tom Altland and support by Bob LaMarre that the Marcy minutes be approved. Motion Approved. Carol Swainston gave the Treasurer's Report. Motioned by Lloyd Fayling and support by Harvey Becker to approve the treasurer's report. Motion Approved.

Carol Swainston advised that the flowers sent to Dick DeMello from MI-APCO.

President Russell gave an update on the Tariff Task Force. Discussion occurred regarding NENA's actions and the support from agencies around the state against the tariff. John Bawol motioned that MI-APCO put forward up to \$1500.00 to spearhead any attorney fees in conjunction with NENA in regards to the tariff. Support by Suzan Hensel. Further discussion occurred. Motion Approved.

President Russell advised that a Letter to the Editor section has been added to the newsletter and can be reviewed on the website as well as the newsletter. John Bawol advised that anyone who signed up to review the newsletter on line are receiving notification via email when the website is updated. Pete LeFavour thanked Carol Swainston and John Bawol for their effort in the newsletter. Christina Russell thanked Pete LeFavour for his efforts in the newsletter.

President Russell stated there are some concerns that some members are attending the May APCO meeting only and are not attending the NENA Conference. Suzan Hensel suggested that a poll be put on the website to get an idea how the members feel about this.

Lloyd Fayling gave the National Report. He advised that 611 vendors booths have been sold and housing reservations has exceeded both the Salt Lake City and the Boston conferences. The Virtual Institute is doing outstanding. The Chapter Officer's Training Course has had high participants. The Member-get-a-member program is in full swing and runs until June. The Homeland Security Summit is on June 5<sup>th</sup> and additional information is on the website. Project 40, which is the study of dispatch centers staffing needs, is underway. This is

generating much interest across the country. The APCO Foundation is moving forward. The Advisory Committee has no commercial members on it. Regarding PBX issue, they are trying to separate this from wireless 9-1-1. It currently shares the docket with wireless in the FCC. The Frequency Coordination is caught up and there is an increase in applications. The second round of Local Advisory Training was held last week in Wisconsin and Bill Folske attended that.

President Russell advised that the 50/50 raffle was tabled due to time constraints.

Pat Coates gave the Frequency Advisory Committee report for Mr. Folske. She that he recommends that Keith Bradshaw be selected to attend the next meeting in Daytona and that the travel costs should not exceed \$1000.00. Motioned by Pete LeFavour and second by Suzan Hensel for Keith Bradshaw to attend the meeting in Daytona with funding not to exceed \$1000.00. Further discussion occurred. Motion Approved.

Pat Coates advised that there has been no further actions regarding the 700 MHZ, nor the MPSFAC.

Pat Coates gave the Engineering/Technical Report for Keith Bradshaw and advised that he will continue to file reports in the newsletter.

Suzan Hensel provided the ETSC report. She stressed the importance to show justification of your expenses. Regarding the recertification for receiving funds for operating costs, there were no appeals granted by the ETSC. Information was provided by Paul Rogers regarding the tariff issue at the ETSC meeting.

Pat Coates advised there was a diverse group that participated on the Awards Committee and extended her thanks to those who participated. The winners are: Telecommunicator of the Year-Lisa Hicks-Betts; Technician of the Year-Sean McCarthy; Supervisor of the Year-Shawn Grabinsky; Director of the Year-Jeri Tapper and Special Achievement Award-Harry Warner. The nominees and the winners will be listed in the next newsletter and on the website. The nominations were submitted to National on time; however, due to September 11 events National are not going to hold the awards as normal.

Kirk Blower announced that the registration for the Fall Conference will be in the next newsletter. The theme "Communication Challenges in the New World" has been selected. The date for the Conference is September 25-27. The prices for registration: members \$150 and non-members \$180. This will be held in Tustin at the Kettunen Center. Scholarship information will also be in the newsletter.

Mr. Rybicki gave the Historians Report. He showed our Charter Certificate dating back in 1954. We are chapter number 5 in the national archive.

Harvey Becker advised that the Nominating Committee will begin working on nominations.

There were no further committee reports.

Under Old Business, the Travel Policy was distributed by Lloyd Fayling. Lloyd explained the policy and discussion occurred. Moved by Harvey Becker to adopt the Travel Policy as an interim policy provided it is not in violation of National. Support provided by Suzan Hensel. Motion Approved.

Pat Coates advised that the lifetime membership for Dick DeMello was approved some time ago and has been submitted to National. Lifetime membership nominations are voted upon at the National Conference.

Pat Coates advised that an email came out a few weeks ago regarding Homeland Security. We do not have any details regarding costs, but it sounds like a good opportunity. Pete LeFavour indicated he would be interested in attending. Further discussion occurred. Motioned by Rich Rybicki to have the delegate that the board selects attend the Homeland Security meeting in Washington D.C. with expenses not to exceed \$1000.00. Support offered by Dave Ackley. Motion Approved. Harvey Becker opposed.

Carol Swainston advised that Westland is hosting an EMD Instructor Course. Information was provided.

Meeting adjourned 7:14 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Swainston  
Secretary/Treasurer