

APCO Minutes
July 22, 2004
Houghton Lake

Meeting Called to Order at 10:15 AM.

President Pat Coates thanked everyone for attending and thanked Vince Foisey for setting the training and meeting location. Suzan Hensel motioned to approve the agenda with support provided by Carrie Perialas. Motion approved.

General Introductions were made. Karen Chadwick gave the new membership report. There were three new members, but none were present.

Motion by Lloyd Fayling and supported by Charlie Nystrom to approve the May minutes. Carol Swainston presented the Treasurer's Report. Motion by Tom Altland and support by Richard Nowakowski to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion approved.

President's Report: Pat Coates provided an update regarding the changes in the FCC and Nextel issue. Pat further advised all members should they have any questions or concerns to contact a board member.

No report for the Telecommunications Operation & Procedures.

Pat Coates advised there is no chair for the Engineering/Technical Committee. She reported that Nextel was working toward changing frequencies to eliminate their 800 MHz interference. Further discussion occurred.

For the Frequency Coordination/700 MHz Report, Pat advised there is a meeting next week on the 700 MHz issue. They plan on having a public hearing at the APCO meeting in Tustin. She advised it is a good idea to go to the 700 MHz when using Mobil Data as you have a wider band and can use audio & data. There was no Frequency Coordination report.

For the MPSFAC Report, Pat advised the next meeting is scheduled for 9/14/04 in Ann Arbor. There were no new applications received. They are currently working on making the 821 plan the same as the 700 MHz plan, and are looking to finalize it at the next meeting and have a public meeting in Tustin at the fall conference.

There were no reports for the Activities and Membership Committee and the Commercial Committee.

Rich Troshak provided the Project 38 Report. He provided handouts regarding the overflow of wireless calls, which indicated the overflow of these calls could sound as a fast busy during a saturation of circuits. It recommends not to roll over these calls to a seven-digit line.

Pat provided the ETSC Committee Report. She reported that Harriette Miller-Brown was chosen as the State Coordinator. Discussed was the Legislation Action Subcommittee Position Paper, which is still in its draft form. Also discussed was Senate Bill 1339, which was introduced on July 6th. It is not scheduled for hearings yet, and is on multi-line facilities and their ability to provide accurate location information to 9-1-1. There were concerns expressed over the last paragraph and several comments were made to have

that paragraph removed completely. Further discussion occurred. Pat discussed the Guidelines for CMRS Pre-Approval, which is a policy created explaining the reimbursement procedure. This was voted in at the ETSC and passed by only one vote. Further discussion occurred regarding the policy concerning whether or not the small companies would be able to access these funds with this policy in place. Motioned by Jim Fyvie to have APCO take the policy to Doug Van Essen for review and provide the APCO Board with his interpretation and to bring back to the members. Charlie Nystrom seconded the motion. Motion carried. Suzan Hensel reminded everyone that the ETSC recertification now occurs quarterly and the moneys must be expended.

Lloyd Fayling provided information for the National Report. VoIP Call to Action by National put out requests that we make contact with our legislators. Further discussion occurred, including information regarding the APCO training standards.

Rich Troshak is taking care of the Awards Committee: A meeting is to take place after today's meeting.

Carrie Perialas advised the Conference Committee has all of the sessions set. Many changes and improvements have been made for the conference.

There were no reports for the Historical Committee or the Nominating Committee.

Carol Swainston gave the Newsletter Committee report, reminding everyone there is only one newsletter left for this year.

Old Business: Rich Troshak thanked everyone for the flowers.

New Business:

Pat Coates advised the members that Greg Main, 2nd Vice President, has resigned and is moving to Florida. According to the by-laws, the 2nd vice President's position is the only position allowed to remain vacant.

Pending legislation was discussed during the ETSC report.

Karen Chadwick advised that Nextel has some problems with certain Motorola phones and are no longer Phase II compliant in Michigan. This started Saturday evening. Further discussion occurred.

Motioned by Carol Swainston with support provided by Carrie Perialas to adjourn. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned 12:07 p.m.