

June 2007 APCO Minutes

June 1st, 2007 at Gunnison County Communications Center

The APCO Meeting on 6/1/2007 was held at Gunnison County Communications Center at Gunnison Police Dept, 200 N Iowa St, Gunnison, CO.

President Cindy Cline brought the meeting to order at 10:12 hrs. There were approximately 12 members in attendance. Everyone in the room introduced themselves and she thanked Gunnison County Comm. Center (GCCC) for hosting the meeting.

Presentation – Skyway Systems, Inc,

Tom Nguyen and his business partner gave a very informative 1 hour presentation on a new type of vehicle tracking system, to include early theft detection and other Skyway features. The company started with most 2006 and 2007 Ford Vehicles, but is moving to all lines of vehicles at this time. All dispatchers should become familiar with this new company and be sure to see their website at www.skywaysystems.com .

At 11:30hrs, Cindy began the APCO Quarterly meeting.

Minutes – Doug Andrew

Cindy brought up a minor change was needed in the February 2007 minutes. She requested under the Executive Council Update, that the word hurricanes be changed to tornadoes, in the last sentence of page 1 of the minutes. With this change, the February 2007 minutes were approved with the change.

Treasurer - Doug Andrew

There is currently \$39,038.23 in both accounts. Doug mentioned that APCO has already received approximately \$8,000 from vendors for the 2007 APCO/NENA Conference and Vendor Show. The treasurer's report was approved with a motion.

FAC – Nothing to pass on and no one was present to have an FAC meeting.

NENA – Jaci Marie Louise

Jaci Marie began by mentioning that she is always accepting nominations for the “Howl Awards”. Be sure to send them to Jaci Marie via email or send a copy of the tape to her. NENA is in need of board members in Colorado. There will be a mention of this in the next NENA Handout. Also Jaci Marie quickly discussed that she had taught the “Next Generation” Class in May and it went very well. If anyone is interested in another class, please let Jaci Marie know and she will give another class. Also June 10th-15th, 2007 is the annual NENA Conference in Charlotte, NC.

Executive Council Update – Cindy Cline

John was not present at the meeting, but had given Cindy Cline a typed summary of the updates and a copy of these updates will be attached to the original minutes. The important point from the summary was that there have been some “serious issues” with the National Database and if anyone is receiving duplicate mailers, let Cindy Cline know right away.

APCO Colorado Website – Cindy Cline

Cindy mentioned that there have been 1,347 hits on the website and she felt that this number was lower than expected. If anyone has anything for the website, email Cindy at CCLine5514@aol.com.

2007 Colorado APCO Award Winners – Cindy Cline

Cindy reported that all of the awards have now been presented and this is the list of winners for 2007:

Comm. Center of the year	Park County
Supervisor of the year	Virpi Mattson, El Paso County
Dispatcher of the year	Kendra Young, Douglas County
Manager of the year	Mike Bedwell, Aurora
Radio Tech. of the year	Gary Wilton, Arapahoe County

Western Regional Conference – Cindy Cline

The venue will be at the New Hyatt Downtown Denver across from the Convention Center. Every room will be at the current Government Rate or lower and they are working with us in every area, (ex. comping some rooms, etc). We are still looking for a theme and committee chairpersons for the following areas: Registration Chairperson, Program Chairperson, Volunteers Chairperson and Communications Chairperson. Cindy is also looking into software to assist in getting everyone registered online.

2007 APCO/NENA Conference and Vendor Show – Cindy Cline

As of 6/1/2007, there are 18 Vendors and 21 of the 52 total tables paid for. We are still looking for sponsorship for the keynote speaker. Intrado has indicated interest in the sponsorship, but has not yet made a firm commitment. The Call for Papers is still open, so get your requests to Cindy Cline if you would like to do a presentation. We still need volunteers at the conference, so contact Heather McCarthy if interested at hamztoy911@comcast.net. We are still looking for a keynote speaker for the opening session, if you have someone in mind, please let Cindy Cline know immediately. And finally, the idea has been brought up to form a Dispatch Color Guard. If you have any input or you would like to participate, please contact Cindy Cline immediately.

Microphone – Cindy Cline

June 8th, 2007 will be the deadline for the upcoming issue of the Microphone.

New Business

Prowers County request for financial assistance – Cindy Cline

A 26 years old female dispatcher and a single mom has been diagnosed with an illness and requested donations from the chapter. After some discussion, it was agreed that we would send a request to 911 Cares and put this information in the next issue of the Microphone where people can send donations. Our thoughts and prayers are with her and her family.

State Resource Center – Jaci Marie Louise

Jaci Marie Louise and Debbie Tellez have applied to be Co-Executive Directors of the State Resource Center. Updates will follow in future minutes.

Delta County offers host of June 2008 Chapter Meeting

It was noted that we will make sure that the Colorado Chapter have our June 2008 Quarterly Chapter Meeting in Delta County.

There was nothing further and the meeting was adjourned at 11:12hrs.