

April 2008 APCO Minutes

April 18th, 2008 at Denver District 3 Police Station

The APCO Meeting on 4/18/2008 was held at Denver District 3 Police Station at University/I-25.

President Darrell Pratt brought the meeting to order at 10:08 hrs. There were approximately 75 members in attendance. Darrell had everyone introduce themselves and thanked Denver Police Dept for hosting the meeting and reminded everyone to sign in. Darrell then asked for a moment of silence for the 2 Gilbert County Dispatchers that were killed a few weeks ago.

Minutes – Doug Andrew

The minute of February 15th, 2008 were read and approved with a motion.

Treasurer Report – Doug Andrew

There is \$42, 524.981 in both accounts.

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

NENA Update– President Pam Monsees

Pam first mentioned that NENA had good representation on March on Washington, DC in April with 9 persons present in the group. She also mentioned House Bill 1249 is now in effect. NENA's annual national conference will be June 7th-11th, 2008 in Tampa, FL. Finally, Pam noted that Congress made APRIL as National Public Education Month.

Executive Council Update – Mary Kyler

Because John could not make the meeting, Mary informed everyone that the Executive Board made 2 executive actions. The first was that there will now be electronic ballot voting and second was posting any amendments on the national website. Both actions were made for easier access and convenience for the entire membership.

APCO Colorado Website – Darrell Pratt

Darrell mentioned that there seems to be a decrease in the number of people accessing the website. The website is a wealth of information and the chapter needs to remember to use it as a resource. If anyone has anything for the website, email Cindy at CCline5514@aol.com and the Colorado APCO Website is at www.apco-co.org

2008 APCO/NENA Conference and Vendor Show –Heather McCarthy and Kathy Imel

Heather mentioned the deadline for Call for Papers is September 5th, 2008. The conference is also looking for volunteers for registration and donations, contact Heather at hamztoy911@comcast.net if you are interested. Kathy advised us that we are already at 30% of tables sold for the Vendor Show on Friday of the state conference.

Microphone – Heather McCarthy

The deadline for the next printing of the Microphone is 4/25/2008. If anyone has anything for the Microphone, please forward them to Heather at hamztoy911@comcast.net.

Western Regional Conference 2010 – Doug Andrew – Conference Chairperson

Kathy Imel, Julie Buck, Lonna Donin, Maureen Dieckmann and Doug went to WRC 2008 in Albuquerque, NM to “shadow” their same chairperson at the conference. A lot of valuable information was received and the committee will make sure that all of the information received will be used to make 2010 the best conference ever.

Liability Insurance for the officers – Doug Andrew

It has been brought up in past meeting that the chapter books should be audited. Doug has spoken to a few accountants and all of them will want to charge large amounts of money to get the books audited. Kathy Imel had found an acquaintance that might be willing to go over our books at no charge, but the person has never returned Doug’s phone calls. Doug will continue to look at different avenues and report at the next meeting.

New Business

Silent Key – Mary Kyler

Mary brought up a discussion of a group of people in Colorado that maintain a list of all dispatchers that have passed on. The idea is to make a memorial page on our chapter website. If anyone would be interested in maintaining this list and updating it when necessary, please contact Mary Kyler.

2008 Telecommunicators Awards – Darrell Pratt

The awards committee was Julie Frances and Carol Workman, and under their recommendations, the board decided on the following award winners:

Manager/Director for 2008 is Tracie Powell from Arapahoe County Sheriff’s Office.

Communications Supervisor for 2008 is Shawn O’Mara from Douglas County Sheriff’s Office.

Communications Training Officer for 2008 is Kim Carroll from Denver 911 Center.

Radio Technician for 2008 is Kurt Goldyn from City & County of Denver, Technology Svcs, EIB.

Telecommunicator for 2008 is Jessy Brobst, Colorado State Patrol, Lakewood, CO.

Information Technologist for 2008 is Joao Olivera from Summit County Communications.

Communications Center for 2008 is Colorado State Patrol – Denver Headquarters Communications.

Darrell also wanted to recognize all those that were nominated but did not get chosen:

Radio Tech was Gabe Steele, City of Arvada – I.T. Dept.

Communication Center was Arapahoe County Sheriff’s Office and Routt County Sheriff’s Office.

Telecommunicator was Cathy Jones-Gooding, Littleton Fire Rescue.

Information Technologist was Sgt. MacDonald, City of Arvada, GIS Specialist.

Communications Training Officer was Grace Reinis, Douglas County Sheriff’s Office.

9-1-1 Heroes – Pam Monsees

Pam reminded everyone that NENA is always taking nominations for both 9-1-1 Heroes and Howl Awards. Please forward any nominations to Pam and pmonsees@co.morgan.co.us .

The meeting was adjourned at 1055hrs.

After the meeting, Lunch was sponsored by POSITRON.

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