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President's Message

As we start winding down the winter season here in Ohio, activities in the public safety communications field will be heating up! If you haven't made plans to attend the Ohio APCO/NENA Joint Conference in April, what are you waiting for? Held at the Kalahari Resort in Sandusky April 12th through 15th, this is a premiere opportunity for you to obtain excellent training on a multitude of job related topics, network with other public safety professionals and see one of the largest communications trade shows in the region. All of this at a VERY cost effective price of \$100.00! Also, you will have access to the Sunday super session "The perfect storm, a victim's plea" presented by the Denise Amber Lee Foundation. There is no better opportunity to get your CEU credits and learn about cutting edge technologies that at this conference. THANK YOU to conference chair Rose Chambers (Wood County SO ret) and her team for all of their hard work putting our conference together. And THANK YOU to Ohio NENA for being an excellent partner in this effort. I hope to see all of you there.

At our February chapter meeting, we will be discussing several timely topics you will not want to miss. The first will be our discussion about the proposed PSAP Operational Standard offered by the State ESINet Steering Committee. As these proposed standards make their way to the legislative rule process, we will discuss their development and share how they will be reviewed prior to implementation. Also at the meeting, we hope to be able to announce the hiring of the new State 9-1-1 Administrator. As of this writing, the Department of Administrative Services was in the final stages of the hiring process. Our hope is that we will be able to share their announcement at our meeting.

Many counties are working on the Next Generation 9-1-1 plans, and many of you are part of your county's final plan revision effort. We will have a round table discussion about the important considerations you should include in that plan as you work to move forward with NG. Don't miss this discussion.

Until our meeting on the 25th, stay warm, keep them safe, and thank you for all you do!

Jay

February Chapter Events

Ohio APCO Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday – Feb 25th, 2015 8:30 AM

Holiday Inn, 7007 North High Street (RT23 Just south of I-270 in Worthington)

Ohio APCO/NENA Combined Chapter Business Meeting

Wednesday – Feb 25th, 2015 10:00 AM

Holiday Inn, 7007 North High Street (RT23 Just south of I-270 in Worthington)

Vendor displays open at 10:00AM

Lunch at noon

Business meeting starts at 1:00 PM

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Secretary/Treasurer Report

Mike Banks, RPL
Wadsworth Police Dept.

Nov. 5th, 2014

- 8:30 a.m.** **Committee Meeting: APCO Executive Board**
- 10:00 a.m.** **Vendor display: IDNetworks, Bird Technologies, Public Safety Systems Inc**
- 12:00 p.m.** **Lunch provided by Intrado**
- 1:00 p.m.** **Joint APCO and NENA Business Meeting**
- 2:00 p.m.** **Open Networking Time**

Pat Goldschmidt, Ohio NENA President, Kelley Davidson Ohio APCO first vice-president opened the meeting welcoming attendees, **Pat Goldschmidt** led the attendees in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

Secretary's Report: Mike Banks; asked for a motion to accept the September minutes as written and posted on the Ohio APCO's website. Lynne Feller made the motion, seconded by Matt Hanenkrath with no further discussion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Mike Banks; as of September November 5, 2014; **APCO Checking - \$11,702.91, Money Market - \$27036.35, Gold Star/Conference, \$20367.24** Jan Bohland motioned to accept, seconded by Sartoru Persons with no further discussion the motion carried with all in favor.

Executive Council Report : Matt Franke was not present for a report.

Joint Conference Committee: Rose Chambers, conference committee met this morning, firmed up vendor info which has been sent out. Conference registration is \$100 plus \$20 for Gold Star. Day passes are \$40/day for Sunday-Tuesday. On Wednesday the \$20 Gold Star ticket will include a day pass. There will be five "boss passes" for every full registration. Registration will be open after the 1st of the year.

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Gold Star Committee: Alan Fish, only four nominees have been submitted for 2014 thus far. The end of the nominating period for 2014 is January 31, 2015. An email was sent out to APCO members with a lot of rejected emails bouncing back to him. Be sure that your info with APCO is correct. The Facebook site is open for members to post stories about good 9-1-1 work in Ohio at:

<https://www.facebook.com/ohiogoldstar> The luncheon is in conjunction with the 2015 conference on April 15th at noon. Cost \$20 per person, nominees and nominators can attend for free.

APCO Committee Reports:

- **SIEC: Bob Bill;** October 1st meeting postponed. Next meeting is 10am November 19th at the State EOC. Public Safety Broadband and NBSPN Subcommittee will meet at 10am 11/12/14 at the State EOC. Northrup Grunmann will hold a broadband vendor demo at the state EOC on 11/18 10am-12pm.
- **700MHz/800MHz/AFC: Bob Bill;** FCC eliminated 2015 narrowbanding deadline. Voluntary migration to 6.25Khz still permitted. Secondary trunked channels designated for air to ground use will be reallocated to general use. FCC and Industry Canada signed an agreement for portable unit roaming privileges across the border. 800Mhz rebanding is basically done in Ohio. MARCS users that went through rebanding may get a packet that needs to be filled out in order to receive reimbursement from Sprint.
- **Commercial Advisory: Chris Zigo;** Commercial members are excited about the April 2015 conference. Sponsorship levels are available from \$500 to \$3000. Please encourage your commercial providers and consultants to support the conference.
- **Training: Matt Hannenkrath;** Still seeking presenters for the April conference. Contact Anne Barr or Lyida Frey for info.
- **Constitution & Bylaws: Lynne Feller;** Changes proposed at the last meeting were posted online and for review and feedback. No feedback was received during the time between meetings. Bylaw items that were removed were placed into the Chapter

Handbook, a new governing document. The handbook format allows for easier changes to the positions that support the chapter without having to go through the process to amend the C&B. Lynne read the highlights of the resolutions and asked for a motion to approve resolution 1. Sartoru Persons made the motion seconded by Alan Fish. The motion passed with all in favor. Resolution 2 was read and Holly Wayt made the motion to accept, seconded by Sartoru Persons, the motion passed with all in favor.

For the Good of the Order:

Lynne Feller discussed the ESINet Psap Operational Standards document, draft 7. Every proposed standard was tied to providing consistent quality service to 9-1-1 callers across Ohio. She asked the members to review the standards and send any feedback to Jay Somerville.

Monte Diegel: Provided a TERT update, advising the NJTI has made a push for more action in Ohio. Ohio needs a committee willing to put the time in to get it done. Pat Goldschmidt advised people interested in seeing TERT move forward to let Jay or him know to get a list of people together to form a committee.

Meeting dates for 2015 will be February 25, May 13, September 9, and November 4.

50/50 Raffle: Pat Goldschmidt, winner of \$41

Motion to adjourn made by Rose Chambers, seconded by Lacie Miller with no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Executive Council and Board of Directors

Matt Franke
Butler County Sheriff's Office

Committee Process Reforms

Revised Scopes – The Board acted on changing committee “descriptions” to “scopes” and making them more uniform. The new scopes may be further revised during committee goal setting in the summer.

Spectrum Management Committee – The Board voted to dissolve the Spectrum Management Committee at the end of the current committee year on June 30, 2015.

CALEA Committee – The Executive Committee recommends disbanding this special committee, but continuing the CALEA partnership in a manner similar to how it was nurtured prior to the committee's creation in 2010 and similar to other external relationships (e.g., NCEMC). Second Vice President Cheryl Greathouse will reach out to the CALEA committee to discuss the Executive Committee's recommendation. The Group Leader is also getting more clarification about the committee's current work. CALEA will not be advertised during committee sign-up but existing members may seek re-appointment until the committee's status is further clarified.

Renaming & Shifting of Types

Communications Center Standards Committee (CCSC) – The Board voted to re-classify CCSC as a designated committee.

Cybersecurity Committee – Upon recommendation from the Executive Committee with the Boards concurrence this newly created special committee will be included in the upcoming sign-up.

9-1-1 Emerging Technologies – The Executive Committee recommended changing the 9-1-1 Emerging Tech & Data Transfer Committee to Data Transfer in Emerging Technologies. The Executive Committee is looking to the future of an all IP environment; data transfer in a new technology environment. Board members are concerned that there are two different types of people working in data transfer and emerging technologies. The group agreed to the new de-

defined scope, but without renaming the committee.

Terms and Cycles – The Executive Committee made recommendations for committee service rules, term limits, staggering process and selection process for the incoming committee year to be used as a tool by committee chairs. It was noted that these new rules would need to be modified for elected posts on the CEAC, F&B and Management Committees. Discussion was due to the fact that the complaints increase every year from newer members who are unable to get placed on committees; further discussion urged that there be flexibility in how the staggering is implemented, especially during the first couple of years. The Board voted to accept service rules and term limits for committee members as outlined, except tabling term limits for chairs for further study.

Committee Staggering Process – The board voted to accept the process for staggering committee service to maintain a balance between existing and new members. Several board members spoke favorably about the language in the document that established a means for chairs to seek waivers for certain long-standing members whose strong output may be tough to do without at least during the initial years of transitioning to staggered and limited terms.

Committee Selection Process – Staff will add database fields to track committee longevity participation. The Board voted to accept the committee selection process, as amended to add language instructing committee chairs to give priority to RPL graduates and for APCO to, ultimately, assure that all qualified nominees with RPL status be granted at least one committee post.

Group Leaders – The Executive Committee recommended changes to the Group Leader (GL) structure by establishing a GL Chair. The Board voted to approve the establishment of a

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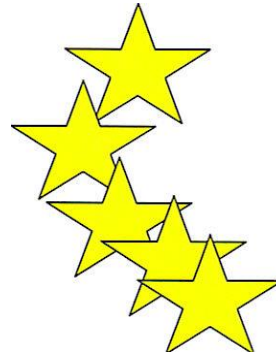
Group Leader Chair with appointment at the

discretion of APCO's First Vice President with the consent of the Executive Committee.

CEAC Conference Site Assignment - Having approved conference sites through 2022 last May, the Board voted to approve permanent locations for APCO International's Annual Conference as follows: Orlando in 2024, Baltimore in 2025, San Antonio in 2026, Anaheim in 2027, and instruct CEAC to recommend three cities for 2023 and 2028 as wild cards and then pause for other locations to be considered. The 2024-2027 cities will function as permanent rotations unless other recommendations emerge in the future that are financially feasible and benefit the association.

LRSP Update Process – First Vice President Brent Lee reported that the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) meeting was successful. The Long Range Strategic Plan (LRSP) draft was forwarded to staff for their input and now it is back under SPC review for further comment no later than February 27. The revised document will be on the agenda for the Board in May and Executive Council in August for review and comment prior to adoption of a final version by the Board in September.

Department of Labor Update –Executive Director Derek Poarch said APCO has filed comments on APCO's efforts to change the classification of telecommunicators from administrative clerical to protective services; as the Department of Labor timeline advances, the Government Relations Offices (GRO) will provide updates for Board representatives to distribute among their regions.



OHIO GOLD STAR AWARDS PROGRAM

The Gold Star Luncheon will be held on April 15, 2015, in Sandusky, Ohio, as part of the biennial Ohio APCO/NENA Conference. Awards for 2013 and 2014 will be presented at the luncheon.

For more information please contact our Gold Star chairperson, Alan Fish at alan.fish@westerville.org



NENA Training



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*For more information or
course registration forms,
please call NENA Headquar-
ters at (800) 332-3911.*



THANKS!

Both Ohio APCO and NENA Chapters want to express our gratitude to the following exhibitors for sponsoring the November meeting:

**ID Networks
Bird Technologies
Public Safety Systems Inc.**

The November lunch was provided by:

Intrado

For the Feb. meeting we thank the following vendors:

Lunch Sponsor:

B&C Communications

Exhibitors:

**Russ Bassett Corp.
VPI, Voice Print International
Sound Communications
EmergiTech**

The Chapters thank you all for supporting Ohio APCO and NENA

Any vendor wishing to participate at future meetings should contact Chris Zigo at Chris.Zigo@motorolasolutions.com

APCO/NENA 2015 Breaking Out Of The Stone Age

We would like to thank our sponsoring partners for making the 2015 APCO/NENA conference possible.

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See pages 7 and 8 for sponsorship opportunities at the 2015 APCO/NENA Conference.

2015 Ohio APCO / NENA Conference Sponsorships

Breaking Out of the Stone Age

Kalahari Resort, Sandusky, Ohio

April 12-15, 2015

Sponsorship Levels Benefits

Platinum \$3,000 (2 maximum)

- First Choice of double 16x10 booth location
- Five (5) full conference registrations
- Major Gold Star sponsorship and 2 luncheon tickets
- Sponsorship of Gold Star shirts
- Primary signage at all Conference events and breaks
- Primary sponsorship of conference bags
- Full page ad in Conference Guide 8 1/2 X 5 1/2
- Advertisement in Gold Star Program
- Conference sponsorship of website with URL link

Gold A \$2,000 (Sold Out)

- Choice of double 16X10 booth location
- Three (3) full conference registrations
- Gold Star sponsorship and 1 luncheon ticket
- Signage at all Conference events and breaks
- Sponsorship of conference committee shirts
- 1/2 page ad in Conference Guide 4 X 5 1/2
- Conference sponsorship of website with URL link

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Gold B \$1,500

- Choice of single 8X10 booth location
- Three (3) full conference registrations
- Gold Star sponsorship and 1 luncheon ticket
- Signage at all Conference events and breaks
- 1/2 page ad in Conference Guide 4 X 5 1/2
- Conference sponsorship of website with URL link

Silver \$1,000

- 8 X10 booth
- One (1) full conference registration
- 1/4 page ad in Conference Guide 4 X 2 1/2
- Three (3) exhibit area registrations

Bronze \$500

- 8 X10 booth
- Two (2) exhibit area registrations

All ad print and signage must be finalized before April 1st
No changes after April 1st