



Ohio Chapter of APCO
Wednesday, February 22, 2012
Membership Meeting Minutes

10:00 a.m. Legislative Workshop/Roundtable with McKenzie Davis, The success Group, Ltd, BSSA Lobbyist

Bio: McKenzie's early interest in politics and government were fueled by his work in the White House Communications Office and from staffing numerous campaigns. He returned to Columbus to earn his juris doctrine at Capital University Law School. While attending Law School, McKenzie interned at The Success Group and two prominent Columbus law firms. McKenzie also served as an Ohio Supreme Court Extern for Justice Evelyn Lundberg Stratton during law school. Prior to re-joining The Success Group, McKenzie served as the Director of Government Affairs for the Ohio Academy of Nursing Homes.

- Mr. Davis shared his experience in working with lawmakers and leaders in state and local government. Chatting about his thoughts and potential strategies for the members of NENA and APCO to employ as we approach this upcoming legislative year.

11:15 a.m. Legislative Update: Jay Somerville followed McKenzie's presentation with an eloquent informational session on our current legislative initiative. Note: a Legislative "talking point" document is in the development stage and will be distributed to the membership once it has been completed.

Breaking News: Title VI, the Public Safety Spectrum section of H.R. 3630; Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012. The bill tackles a myriad of issues, including the allocation of the D Block Spectrum to public safety, the establishment of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) to manage the build out of a nationwide public safety broadband network (PSBN), a \$7 billion grant program to fund the PSBN build out, an additional \$135 million grant program to assist State and local planning and implementation of the PSBN in their States and localities, \$115 million for Next Generation 9-1-1, and the give back of T-Band public safety spectrum between 470 - 512 MHz.

Noon Lunch Sponsor: MCM Consulting Group, Inc.

12:30 p.m. Ken Heisel from the MCM Consulting Group provided a brief but enlightening presentation outlining their north-western regional fiber infrastructure currently underway in Pennsylvania.

1:00 p.m. Membership Meeting

Ohio APCO President, Michael Banks and Ohio NENA President, Rose Chambers called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. Rose thereby initiated the Pledge of Allegiance followed with roundtable attendee introductions.

Secretary's Report: by Danielle Klavinger. *NOTE: minutes are available for review on the Ohio APCO website.* A motion to waive the reading of November's minutes and to accept them as written was made by Jay Somerville, seconded by Holly Wayt, with no further discussion and no one opposing, the motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: by Danielle Klavinger. *NOTE: treasurer's reports are available for review on the Ohio APCO website.* Balances as of January 31, 2012: Chapter checking-\$13,586.17, Chapter money market-\$16,995.59, Gold Star/Conference checking-\$12,706.82. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Paul Mayer, seconded by Alan Fish, with no further discussion and no one opposing, the motion carried with all in favor.

Executive Council Report: by Holly Wayt. Executive Council report is featured in its entirety as a separate article in the Ohio APCO newsletter. Too important not to mention however is the ONE DAY ONLY ONLINE REGISTRATION DISCOUNT. APCO 2012 Annual Conference will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota from August 19-22, 2012. “Flash Day” coming up on March 1st- On the first day of registration, Full, Associate and Commercial APCO members, in good standing, will have the opportunity to secure a full registration for the conference at the rate of **\$325 (\$100 lower than the Early Registration Fee)**. Restrictions will apply: For more information go to, www.apco2012.org.

Ohio 911 Council Report: by Lynne Feller. The next Ohio 9-1-1 Council meeting is set for March 15th at 1:30 p.m. Agenda will be posted on the PUCO website once it becomes available. Lynne indicated there had not been any feedback on the previously submitted report.

APCO Membership & Activity: by Dan Lutz. No report as Dan was unable to attend.

SIEC Update: by Paul Mayer as Matt Franke was not in attendance. Next meeting is scheduled to be held on April 11th @ 10:00 a.m.

700MHz/800MHz/AFC Update There are only 313 days to Narrowbanding Deadline. APCO will process Narrowband emission modifications for \$25 per call sign but the application MUST BE SUBMITTED using the SpectrumWatch program. The first Narrowband Waiver was granted Monday Feb 21 to the Counties of St. Louis, St. Charles and Jefferson and the East-West Council of Governments. They have been planning a combined 800 MHz trunked system since 2007 and have shown due diligence. They were granted an extension until Dec. 31, 2013, by which time they will have moved to the new system and will return their VHF-UHF frequencies to the public safety pool for re-assignment.

The FCC said it had decided to not approve of the proposal put forward by LightSquared which involved the setting up of a nationwide 4G-LTE network. This was after preliminary testing showed that a network of this sort would likely interfere with the functioning of most current GPS devices.

On Feb 17, Congress passed the “Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012” - HB3630 (allocation of D Block to public safety)

800 MHz Rebanding – Ohio MARCS has completed negotiations on the FRA Frequency Replacement Allocation and is moving forward on the scheduling of actual Rebanding. Start time is yet to be determined. All MARCS subscriber units need to be touched. After that, the Infrastructure will be retuned, carefully coordinated with users in the area, then the users will switch to the new channels.

DHS has recently released info on 7 Grant programs for FY2012: (More on the DHS website.)

- Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
- Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG) Program
- Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP)
- Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI)
- Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)
- Intercity Passenger Rail – Amtrak (IPR) Program
- Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)
- Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)

TERT Committee: by Ken Stewart. Asking for volunteers to help get things back on track. Please contact Ken or Monte if you are interested.

Commercial Advisory Committee: by Chris Zigo: Acknowledged MCM Consulting for sponsorship of today’s luncheon. He extended his thank you to all commercial membership for their continued support of APCO and NENA events.

Chris extended sponsorship opportunities for the upcoming Training/Gold Star Banquet scheduled for April 10th and 11th at the Crown Plaza in Columbus.

Conference Committee: by Rose Chambers. Conference Committee will be meeting immediately following today's meeting to discuss the venue for the April 14th, 2013 Conference/Gold Star Event. Double Tree-Columbus and Kalahari-Sandusky are both possible conference site choices. Call for Papers for topic speakers will be available online in the need further. In the meantime forward any subject suggestions to Pat Goldschmidt or anyone from the training committee.

Training Committee: by Pat Goldschmidt. Free training will be offered in conjunction with the April 2012 Gold Star Event by Cheryl Greathouse, Excel 9-1-1 Training & Professional Services. 4hrs-Effective TTY Call Processing followed by 3hrs-Why Can't We All Just Get Along. Class size will be limited to 100-students so hurry and register. Registration information for the April 10th session will be posted on Ohio APCO and NENA's website soon!

Gold Star Committee: by Alan Fish. The 13th Annual Gold Star Banquet will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Columbus, OH on Wednesday, April 11th, 2012 at noon. Alan extended a thank you to Carol Armitage and the other committee members who have been assisting in the process. Winners from the 8-Solid Gold Awards, 6-Double Gold Awards, and 4-Gold Star Certificate Awards categories submitted will be posted online as early as next week. Alan also noted that it is not too early to begin nominations for 2012 submissions (next year's event)!

Newsletter: No report; Dan Lutz not in attendance.

Nominating Committee: By Paul Mayer. (Matt Franke not in attendance.) The nominating committee represented by Paul Mayer, Lynne Feller and Holly Wayt; convened and chose to recommend the current slate of Chapter Officers continue for the years 2012-2013: President-Mike Banks, 1st Vice President-Jay Somerville, 2nd Vice President-Frank Bowen and Secretary/Treasurer-Danielle Klavinger.

Good of the Order:

- June Johnson gave a brief synopsis of the "CART Initiative" as Lydia from OSP was not in attendance. CART which stands for "Child Abduction Response Team" is made up of 8 regions in Ohio. Ohio CART is a network of trained public safety and other individuals from various agencies, jurisdictions, and disciplines who are prepared to respond to missing, endangered or abducted children. More information is available on line at the following website <http://www.lef-oh.org/cart/carthm.html> or by calling the Law Enforcement Foundation at 614-761-9479.
- Brandon Redmond announced Darke County will be hosting classes contact him at bredmond@darkecountsheriff.org for more information.
- Steven Greene from Parma Hts . PD is looking for anyone willing to share their CAD RFP for their proposed upcoming project. Contact him at: 440-941-3077 or sgreen@phpd.us
- Bo Keck gave a health update on Ken Borrer. Ken is at The Albany Care Center in Columbus but is requesting no visitors at this time.

Next Meeting: May 9th beginning at 10:00 a.m. with a roundtable workshop on Broadband.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jay Somerville and seconded by Monte Diegel with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

\$68.00 - 50/50 drawing (\$34.00 to Gold Star/Conf acct plus \$47.00 from Sept's meeting).