

WI-NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

February 27, 2008 – 10:00 a.m.

Stevens Point, WI

Call to order: Chapter President, Melissa Gilgenbach

Roll Call:

Melissa Gilgenbach, Leann Krieg, Mark Handlin, Julie Cipra present, absent Lynn Wallace, Jay Maritz.

Approve Minutes of the last Regular Meeting: Last meeting was a tour of Wood County dispatch, no minutes to approve.

Public Comment: None

Treasurer's Report: The budget is in good shape for this year's conference. Lynn has made a lot of progress on vendors and sponsors.

Legislative update:

Rich Tuma from our legislative committee was unable to attend the meeting. However, he sent a three page informational draft on the legislative purpose and goals of both NENA and APCO. Ultimately, we need to ensure that any legislation is "technology neutral". The draft will be posted on the WIPSCOM website. We are hoping Rich will be able to update us on current progress at the April meeting.

Joint NENA/APCO meeting and Telecommunicator of the year Awards:

Next meeting will be a joint WI-NEN/APCO chapter meeting on Thursday, April 17th at the Portage County Annex in Stevens Point. The Telecommunicator of the year awards will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00. Nomination deadline is March 14th and can be made on the website.

Joanne Hollman will be conducting a free training session from 10:00 a.m. to noon on "Making choices/being in control". Joanne will discuss a variety of methods and coping techniques on how to reduce stress. Both meetings are on the first floor, rooms 1 & 2.

Conference update:

We have commitments for both pre-con sessions. APCO will be conducting a full day "Active Shooter" course for dispatchers and Success Communications will be providing a full day training as well, content to be determined. We will continue to offer NG911. Conference registration will be available on the website in May.

We are trying something new this year called "Grazing the Dells". On Monday night, buses will be available to take vendors and attendees to several designated places throughout the Dells. Appetizers/drinks will be available at all locations and the tour will

end up at the Ho-Chunk Casino. There will be a flat fee for the event and sign up is required. More information will follow closer to conference.

Interoperability:

Mark Handlin brought a copy of the Wisconsin Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan. A general discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of the plan. The state will be conducting an inaugural meeting in Stevens Point on March 5th and Mark will attend as a NENA representative.

Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Julie M Cipra

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