

MINUTES

California Public-Safety Radio Association March 18, 2004 Station 21, City of Glendale Fire Department, CA

Meeting Host: Susan Braunsdorf
City of Glendale

Coffee and Rolls
Sponsor: EF Johnson

Secretary's Report: Minutes Filed

Treasurer's Report: John Wright submitted a CPRA Account - Balance Sheet showing Total Liabilities and Equity of \$170,280.07. Total inflow for January 2004 was \$3,851.60; total outflow was \$1,719.40.

Program: Steve Hronek, Wireless Systems Administrator, City of Glendale
"An Overview of the Interagency Communications Interoperability System (ICIS)"

Attendance: 64

President John Sarkissian called the meeting to order at 8:13 a.m. All present.

1. Lorie Thompson reported that the Banquet planning is on schedule. John Wright reported that button sales have reached the break-even point.
2. John Sarkissian reported on the Technician of the Year selection process, and said a special Team Award would be made this year in addition to the individual award.
3. Jim Acosta is not able to commit to continued chairmanship of the APCO Statewide Training Conference and Exposition. Richard Granado will take his place.

4. Jack Daniel and other members of the Conference Committee have been discussing volunteer compensation proposals to reward those who attend to conference duties by volunteering four or more hours of their time. Rewards would be progressive.
5. The draft contract with the Long Beach Convention Center for the 2007 APCO Western States Regional is in the review process.
6. Chuck Taylor discussed meeting venues for the remainder the year. Bill Zears of the FCC's Enforcement Division has been confirmed as the speaker for the April 15 meeting in Buena Park. The Odyssey Restaurant in the San Fernando Valley has been selected for the December Banquet.
7. Regulatory and Legislative issues were discussed. Travis Williams commented on an initiative that will likely be on the November ballot and would substantially increase the California 9-1-1 surcharge for businesses and cellular subscribers, with most of the funds earmarked for support of hospital emergency care. The initiative would also amend the California Constitution to prevent the Governor and/or Legislature from using the fund for any other purpose. David Buchanan discussed the FCC's 6 GHz shipboard satellite proceeding. This will impact agencies along the coast that operate 6 GHz microwave systems. Gary Gray said the 800 MHz interference plan had been presented to the FCC commissioners. Details are slowly leaking out, and the Commission could take action at its April 15 meeting. Gary also said the FCC will soon send out its third and final license audit list.

8. Ron Wong reported that the Chapter enrolled 28 new members last month. Jack Daniel said the Chapter now has several new commercial members.
9. Richard Granado reported on Executive Council actions, including minor changes to APCO's bylaws and policy manual. The majority of the Council has approved the selection of John B. Newman as APCO's new Executive Director. Glen Nash provided a review of the recruitment and selection process.
10. Proposals regarding relocation of the commemorative bricks at APCO Headquarters were reviewed and discussed.
11. Joe Parrino reported that the Audit Committee met March 5, and everything balanced to the penny. The Committee consisted of Parrino, Dave Buchanan and John Wright.
12. The Executive Committee will hold its quarterly meeting on April 7 at Richard Granado's office.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

GENERAL MEETING:

1. Former President , Chapter officer and Senior Member of APCO Bryan Hawkins, who recently retired after 30 years with the City of Long Beach, was presented with Honorary Chapter Life Membership in CPRA for his many contributions to the Chapter.

Minutes by Travis Williams, Secretary