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CHAPTER MEETING AUGUST 26, 2010 RIO HONDO GOLF COURSE DOWNEY, CA

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Jim Acosta, Downey Fire Communications
Early Bird Sponsor: Larry Weber, The Sales Group
Secretary's Report: Minutes for the July meeting are posted on the CPRA web site
Treasurer's Report: See comments
Program: "800 MHz Rebanding in the Mexican Border Area"
Presenter: Robert Gurss, APCO Regulatory Counsel
Attendance: 58

AGENDA

Greeting – Gary Poon. President Gary opened the chapter meeting at 10:15 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the August CPRA meeting. Mike Rowles led the Pledge of Allegiance. Gary thanked Jim Acosta for hosting the meeting and Larry Weber from The Sales Group for sponsoring the Early Bird refreshments.

Introductions - All. New members were welcomed. Everyone in attendance was asked to introduce themselves.

Membership Report – Ken Shearen. Ken reported that we have 475 members with three new members: Deborah Gonzales, LAPD; Steve Douglass, Naval Surface Warfare Center; and Josh Armstrong, El Camino College Police Dept.

Meeting Program Review – Dawn Lopez. The upcoming schedule for meetings was reviewed. It was noted that details for the 2010 schedules are on the website. President Gary commented that the next meeting will be held September 16th at the Irvine Regional Park in Orange.

Treasurer's Report – John Wright.

Monthly Financial Report. John provided a report of income and expenses for the previous month. He stated that total income for the month was \$2,975.50 and the total expenditures were \$641.88. Income included meeting registrations, and sponsorships. Expenses included luncheon reimbursements, Visa card officer travel payments, and printing costs for the CommLink.

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Regional Director Report – Richard Granado. Richard noted that the APCO Conference was a favorable success. He indicated attendance numbers and details would be forthcoming. Richard commented about the ongoing work regarding the 700 MHz band and the allocation of the D block. He emphasized the need for public safety personnel to contact their elected officials and request support for allocation of the D block to public safety.

Executive Council Report – Jim Acosta. Jim commented that there will be a meeting in September to an update to the APCO Regional Conference manual. Jim also reported that during the APCO Conference the Quorum passed an amendment pertinent to qualifying for APCO Life Membership. He explained that the amendment restored regional conference committee chair work as a valid service point for qualifying for Life Membership.

Frequency Coordinator Updates – Gary Gray. The following reports were provided:
CalSIEC SPA. It was noted that there will be a special Southern Planning Area (SPA) meeting to be held on August 31st. There will be a call in conference call number available.
FCC Announcements. There were no specific details to report.
700 MHz Update. John Sarkissian noted progress in processing 700 MHz applications. Robert Stoffel gave an update on proposed additions to the Region 5 Plan for 700 MHz. The addition to the plan addresses the allocation and use of 700 interoperable frequencies.
Comments 800 MHz Update. Jim Donovan noted upcoming frequency coordination requests.

Chapter Commercial Advisory Member – Jack Daniel. Jack invited each of the Commercial Members in attendance to do a self introduction and give a brief comment about their respective products and services.

Table Top Reservations. Jack announced that table top booth spaces were available. He encouraged all commercials to reserve spaces promptly.

75th Anniversary Celebration Report – Adriana Spirescu. Information Updates.

Chapter Celebration. It was noted that the “No Ties” meeting in September has been designated as the meeting for the formal 75th anniversary recognition. The planning committee has been actively moving forward with preparing for the event.

Planning. The committee reported that the celebration will include a world-class BBQ, special events amateur station operation, a display of mobile command unit vehicles, a presentation of CPRA history via a commemorative album, dignitary recognition, etc.

Location. It was announced that the Irvine Regional Park, Area 3 would be the location for the event.

Command Vehicles. Jim Donovan commented that he is taking reservations for agencies that will be bringing a command vehicle for display.

Commemorative Album. Adriana reported that the album was progressing. She noted that orders for the album are now available.

2011 WRC – Ken Mann. It was noted that the APCO Western Regional Conference (WRC) as hosted by CPRA will be Feb 6 – 9, 2011. The Ontario Convention Center will be the location for the conference. Further information will be provided on the CPRA web site.

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Presentation. Robert Gurss, APCO Regulatory Counsel provided a review of FCC regulatory actions. This included "800 MHz Rebanding in the Mexican Border Area: *Timing, Process & Tips.*" This was an interesting presentation followed by additional comments about actions pertinent to the 700 MHz D block, and upcoming Narrowbanding requirements.

Meeting Adjourned. Gary extended a special thanks to Robert Gurss for his presentation. He also thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Notes for the Record.

Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC). Gary Gray convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting. Ongoing and new frequency requests were then presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Rowles
Secretary