

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC-SAFETY RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.

P.O. BOX 1181, RIVERSIDE, CA 92502 (213) 291-9411 (MESSAGE/FAX)
A CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC-SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS (APCO) INT'L.
www.cpra.org

MINUTES

CHAPTER MEETING

May 20, 2010

THE HILTON GARDEN INN & CONFERENCE CENTER
VICTORVILLE, CA

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Jack Daniel, The Jack Daniel Company
Ski & Matt Zwarkowski, Hi-Desert Communications

Early Bird Sponsor: Greg Glenn, Tripower Group

Secretary's Report: Minutes for the April meeting are posted on the CPRA web site

Treasurer's Report: See comments

Program: Grant Funding Programs

Presenter: Lee S. Connor, PMP, Harris Corporation

Attendance: 47

AGENDA

Greeting – Gary Poon. President Gary opened the chapter meeting at 10:15 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the May CPRA meeting. Mike Rowles led the Pledge of Allegiance. Gary thanked Greg Glenn, Tripower Group for sponsoring the Early Bird refreshments. He also thanked Harris Corporation and Hi-Desert Communications for providing a “free lunch” for all in attendance at the meeting. Everyone extended a round of applause for the “above and beyond” sponsorship by Harris Corporation and Hi-Desert Communications.

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

Membership Report – Ken Shearen. Ken reported that we have 464 members with three renewals and one new member (Mr. Robert Sanchez of Globaltel Media).

Meeting Program Review – Dawn Lopez. Dawn reviewed the upcoming schedule for meetings. It was noted that details for the 2010 schedules are on the website. Dawn commented that the next meeting is planned for June 17th in Santa Fe Springs at Talley Corporation.

Announcements – Gary Poon.

APCO Western Region Conference (WRC). Gary commented that the 2011 WRC was originally to be hosted by APCO Nevada. He noted that the Nevada chapter withdrew as the host. Gary announced that the CPRA Executive Committee voted to accept hosting of the 2011 WRC. He asked for support from the chapter in pursuing this new initiative.

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC-SAFETY RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.

P.O. BOX 1181, RIVERSIDE, CA 92502 (213) 291-9411 (MESSAGE/FAX)
A CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC-SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS (APCO) INT'L.
www.cpra.org

Minutes, CPRA Chapter Meeting, May 20, 2010 (cont.)

Treasurer's Report – John Wright.

Telecommunicator Awards Banquet. John reported that the banquet was a big success. There were 243 attendees. He expressed sincere thanks to the many sponsors of the banquet. The financial summary indicated that the banquet was completed under budget in the amount of \$1,294.46.

Leadership Recognition. President Gary recognized Dawn Lopez for her superb work as banquet chair. She was given an extended round of applause for her commitment and leadership in conducting such a successful event.

Monthly Financial Report. John provided a report of income and expenses for the previous month. He stated that total income for the month was \$4,189.24 and the total expenditures were \$11,972.50. Income included meeting registrations, Telecommunicator's Banquet registrations and sponsorships. Expenses included the April luncheon, Telecommunicator's Banquet expenses, and printing costs for the CommLink.

Regional Director Report – Richard Granado. Richard indicated that he attended a Board of Directors meeting and reported as follows:

HR5081- 700 MHz Spectrum Allocation. Richard commented about an APCO initiative to go door-to-door in Washington DC in support of HR5081 (allocates 10 MHz of 700 MHz spectrum to public safety). He encouraged everyone to contact their local representative and express support for public safety requirements.

Life Member Membership Qualifications. Richard commented about changes in types of service to qualify for life membership (e.g. National Conference/Regional Conference service points). The rules may be tightened.

Regional Conferences. Richard noted that the Board tabled the discussion about discontinuing regional conferences. A chair for the study committee to review the regional conference manual is being solicited.

Executive Council – Jim Acosta. Jim summarized topics pertinent to recent Executive Council activities.

2011 Budget Preparation. It was noted that the proposed 2011 budget is under development.

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week (NPSTW). Jim reported that this year's NPSTW included a media event held in Wilmington, DE. He noted that the full APCO Executive Committee participated in the event and they expressed their appreciation for all public safety professionals across the nation.

Women in Public Safety Communications Leadership Conference. Jim reported that the 2010 Women in Public Safety Communications Leadership Conference was held in April. It was stated that the attendance increased from the previous year and was described as a highly successful conference.

National Membership. Jim stated that the APCO membership stood at 12,419.

Western Region Conference for 2011. Jim noted that the Western Regional Executive Council Members concurred with letting CPRA host the 2011 WRC. He indicated that several chapters offered to assist with the conference.

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC-SAFETY RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.

P.O. BOX 1181, RIVERSIDE, CA 92502 (213) 291-9411 (MESSAGE/FAX)
A CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC-SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS (APCO) INT'L.
www.cpra.org

Minutes, CPRA Exec Minutes, May 20, 2010 (cont.)

Frequency Coordinator Updates – Gary Gray. The following reports were provided:
CalSIEC SPA. It was noted that the most recent Southern Planning Area (SPA) meeting was held on April 28th.

FCC Announcements. Gary G. emphasized the need for organizations to continue with their narrow banding implementation. He commented that the deadline is January 1, 2013.

NPSTC Survey. Dave Buchanan requested agencies to participate in a survey to identify future needs for public safety spectrum.

Broadband Waivers. Dave reported that the FCC had released 19 waivers for implementing regional broadband services. L.A. Regional Interoperable Communications System (LA RICS) was included.

700 MHz Update. Dave announced that there will be a 700 MHz Committee Meeting to be held in conjunction with the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting.

800 MHz Update. Jim Donovan commented there were no specific updates to report.

800 MHz Rebanding. Ray Grimes provided an updated report. He noted that there had been no progress regarding a treaty with Mexico pertinent to use of spectrum in the border region. (Please see the “Resources” portion of the CPRA web site to see Ray’s Rebanding Notes.)

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.

CPRA 75th Anniversary Pins & September Event. Jack highlighted that there is a special chapter membership pin designed to commemorate the 75th anniversary of CPRA. He invited those in attendance to get their pin. Jack also encouraged participation in the 75th anniversary events scheduled for the September meeting.

WRC Support. Jack emphasized that there was a very short fuse to prepare for the 2011 WRC. He encouraged all commercials to get involved and support the conference.

75th Anniversary Celebration Report – Jim Donovan.

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.

Technical Presentations. Matt Zwarkowski, Hi-Desert Communications introduced the programs to be presented by Harris Corporation.

Harris P25 Radio. Stephen Montoya, Harris Corporation gave an overview of the Harris noise suppression capabilities in the Harris P25 digital radios. He noted that there was a hands on demonstration available for the chapter members to view.

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC-SAFETY RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.

P.O. BOX 1181, RIVERSIDE, CA 92502 (213) 291-9411 (MESSAGE/FAX)
A CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC-SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS (APCO) INT'L.
www.cpra.org

Minutes, CPRA Chapter Meeting, May 20, 2010 (cont.)

Grant Funding. Lee Connor, Grant Funding program Manager of Public Safety & Public Communications (PS &PC) Business Unit of RF Communications Division, Harris Corporation gave an informative presentation. She identified grant funding sources, available amounts, and forecasts of forthcoming allocations.

Meeting Adjourned. Gary thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Notes for the Record. Following the CPRA Chapter meeting, the following meetings were held.
700 MHz Committee Meeting. An election for Vice Chairman was held. John Sarkissian was elected.

Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC). Gary Gray convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting. At the beginning of FAC meeting, President Gary requested time to present a CPRA Certificate of Recognition to Don Miller on the occasion of his retirement from the City of Long Beach. Bob Uribe read the Certificate. He commented that the certificate was presented in recognition of Don's achievements, his participation in frequency coordination and his many years of service to APCO and CPRA. All those attending the FAC gave Don a strong round of applause.
Frequency Request Actions. Ongoing and new frequency requests were then presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Rowles
Secretary