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OFFICIAL MINUTES

CHAPTER MEETING

Old Spaghetti Factory
110 East Santa Fe Rd
Fullerton, CA 92832
Thursday, January 17, 2019

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Howard Newton, Riverside County
Early Bird Sponsor: CPRA
Secretary's Report: Adriana Spirescu
Treasurer's Report: John Wright
Program: Lee Kaser, Orange County Sheriff's Department
Attendance:

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Chapter President **Doug Roberts** called the meeting of the Southern California Chapter of APCO International to order at 10:05 am. Doug welcomed everyone to the February 2019 Chapter Meeting.

FLAG SALUTE

Past Chapter President **Don Miller** led the membership in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEETING MINUTES

Chapter President **Doug Roberts** asked for a motion to approve the Chapter Meeting minutes from the October 2018 meeting in Montebello, CA. Director **Don Miller** made the motion to approve the minutes; Treasurer **John Wright** made the second. There was no additional discussion heard and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

WELCOMING REMARKS

Thanks was given to the banner sponsor, The Sales Group. The Meeting program presenter is **Lee Kaser** Orange County Sheriff's Department, and a short presentation by **Kevin Nida** with FirstNet.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chapter Commercial Advisory Member **Larry Weber** asked those in attendance to introduce themselves, and if a Commercial Member, to say a brief few words about their company or products. Larry advised he is the contact for those interested in presenting at future Meetings.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Chapter President-Elect **Howard Newton** gave a reminder of the following future meetings:
February – Riverside Police Department - Riverside



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Membership Report

Chapter Vice-President **David Duenas** reported on the current Membership:

Total Current Chapter Membership:

Full Members	153
Commercial	22
Associate Members	12
Online	97

FINANCIAL REPORT

Chapter Treasurer **John Wright** announced that the 2018 Annual Report has been completed and published on the CPRA website. Included in the Annual Report are every Chapter meeting locations and dates as well as member demographics. John Wright noted that two-thirds (2/3) of our membership are from the Operations as well as Management. It gives a sense of the target audience. With the purchase of a new device, as of today, CPRA can take all forms of payment, NFC payment, Apple pay, etc.

CCAM REPORT

President **Doug Roberts** encouraged members and vendors to make suggestions on possible meeting location for the upcoming year. Please refer suggestions to Howard Newton. Oak Glenn was suggested.

APCO-INTERNATIONAL REPORT

Chapter Executive Council Delegate **Ernest Gallo** provided a reminder to all APCO members, that the APCO Website has many resources. Changes are being made to the policy manual in the CAC section and impeachment processing procedures for Board Members. Standing committees are being cleaned up and looked as well as the duties of the executive director. Creation of APCO mobile app to access social media were also discussed.

John Wright encouraged members and management to nominate folks in their agencies for the CPR Dispatch and Technical Awards. He pointed out that these awards which recognize staff would help build morale. Considering we have had large fires and active shooter incidents, nominations should be entered and are being accepted.

National Telecommunicators Week buttons are on sale, if people are interested contact John Wright. All funds go towards the Telecommunicators Banquet. Sponsor of the Tech Awards are also available. GIS Technician Award has been added to the tech awards this year.

Anna Homes stated that assistance in the nomination process is available, encouraged for folks to submit nominations.



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FREQUENCY ADVISOR UPDATE

Dave Buchanan states that the 6 GHz band is still pending. He advised there is much ongoing with that topic. No bad news.

Howard Newton reported interference being received by his agency. Riverside was one of the first 700 Mhz systems. The signal goes away in a few seconds and it's intermittent. Communications are lost in pursuits, etc. The issue was reported to the FCC, which responded the following day. FCC has been involved and some of the interferences have been identified. FCC is continuing to work with Riverside County. Riverside County have enjoyed four years of free interference, so just an awareness to those that are building their new systems. FCC is continuing to work with Riverside County.

Mr. Kevin Nida provided a brief update on FirstNet and what is affecting the state. FirstNet is concentrating on California and is a strong supporter of the Northern APCO Chapter and the coverage buildout taking place a year into the IOC buildout. Now that P25 is implemented, building out broadband is a priority. Kevin stated he is part of a Federal Government entity to support public-safety. FirstNet has its own core, and several all across the country. Working on Critical Infrastructure General Plan for the rural areas. AT&T has a plan to build in five (5) years.

NETWORKING BREAK

Chapter President **Doug Roberts** recessed the meeting for a five-minute networking break.

PROGRAM PRESENTATION

Chapter President **Howard Newton** introduced the meeting Program Presentation speaker, **Lee Kaser** with Orange County Sheriff's Department. He has been with the County for 18 years. He was formerly a Dispatcher and is now the Communication Coordinator OCS D Communications. He gave an overview and a brief history of Orange County public safety communications, from when it started in 1934 to the present. In 1962, the County approved a Communication Department. The 800 MHz CCCS was developed in 1987. The Governance Committee oversees the 800 MHz CCCS, and how it runs from the political side. OCFA oversees the fire side. In 1991, Loma Ridge was built as the new Control One and Dispatch Center. In 1994, Orange County filed for bankruptcy, after which Communications became part of the Orange County Sheriff's Department. The OCS D still till this day oversees all communication operations. In 1999 the 800 MHz system was implemented. Thirty-four cities are using the system. Orange County has interoperability and Mutual Aid within all agencies and cities within the County and surrounding. The Red Channel (unique to OC), is on a separate talkgroup, dedicated in all vehicles, and in all dispatch center. Control 1 is in charge of the Red Channel and provides interoperability within the County. Non-subscriber Mutual Aid is for outside the county and overseen by Control 1. Lee controls who has access to the OC system such as other PD's, schools, etc. OCS D Communications includes: 34 Cities, 130 participating Agencies and 32 Remote Sites



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C&B CHANGE

Chapter Frequency Advisory Committee Chair **Gary Gray** distributed the new C&B changes to the CCAM Election section of the C&B. It streamlined the re-titling. Voting on the changes will take place at the next meeting and adopted. Copies of the C&B changes were distributed to the membership.

ADJOURN

President **Doug Roberts** adjourned the meeting at 11:50 pm.

Minutes prepared by,

Adriana Spirescu
Member-at-Large, California Public-Safety Radio Association