

2016 Feb 26 - APCO Board Meeting



Website Update:

The website is almost complete; tabs are located on top, pictures have been posted, Craig, Tim, Steve, Pat, Lavae and Chuck need to send pictures. Board members can link their LinkedIn account rather than having a bio. Names and emails will be used. Itinerary for the conference will be a link. Links to National organizations will also be there. There is also a "Tips about calling 911" kit. If anyone wants to be trained on using the website we'll be having a training session with Fox Tracks soon. The site has a running tally 378 members for MNAPCO. The plan is to unveil the site at the Conference.

We plan to post meetings and minutes on the site for members to access. How far back do we want to go with the information (agenda's /minutes)?

We are going to have the coolest website!



Life Memberships: We have learned that all requirements for validating dates of service are the responsibility of the chapter. (National APCO has referred Dar back to the National site) when trying to submit life memberships for Faith.

Update on APCO-NENA Chapters Combining:

In process of reviewing/comparing APCO/NENA bylaws, we're using other organizations templates. The largest difference is NENA uses successionary order and APCO uses a voting method. Discussion on which method to use was split. Currently finding enough membership to volunteer for board positions

is difficult. Pat, Chris & Chuck favored succession, the rest of the members the rest of the board not certain. Dar, Faith, Lavae, Tim, Lauren, Craig, Judy like voting.

Once Bylaw review is complete they will go to the board for feedback prior to posting for general membership. Vote to approve would occur.

NENA 116 members – annually in June or July

APCO - monthly Jan/Feb. larger then trickles in for rest of the year

Discussion on combining finances for chapters occurred. Will with an attorney and National Organizations of feasibility/rules on one financial pot. Benefits to combining finances are cost effective having only one need for state fees, taxes, legal charges, etc. Further study is needed here. . Will check with attorney and national organizations re: sticking points on combination of finances.

Chapter would like to use an electronic voting system that will also save costs of all the mailing for a very minimal return of ballots.

There is now a Joint email: mnapconena@gmail.com

Spring Conference Update

As of today 113 registrants for conference and 18 vendors are planning to attend. Both pre-conference sessions are also doing well too. On track to be the most attended conference in recent memory.

Make Difference Award Submissions:

Check in with Faith regarding submissions. The deadline is today. The following have been received: 2 submissions from Red River - Wright Co- Blue Earth- Mpls sending 2-Jackie Mines submitting one.

Will try to put together some type of presentation for the banquet (photo or mini recording or if Sherriff/director who wants to speak about the incident.

Sending submissions to all board members and Emily Debroux.

Marsha Scholarship – Change to Award:

Discussion to change from scholarship to an award for someone who has contributed to MN 911 industry could be a sub sector of Sunshine Award (Burl and Diane Lind retiring this year also may be potential awardees) Will need to create a criteria or make it a board decision. Talk centered on making Dana the first recipient of the award. Chuck makes a motion to create Marsha impact award – have board be determining body. Faith 2nd the motion. All in favor/none opposed. Chuck 1st/Judy 2nd for the cancel of scholarship change to award.

Marsha Pacolt – MN 911 Impact Award is created.

Dar will look into award type, crystal or etched for presentation at conference.

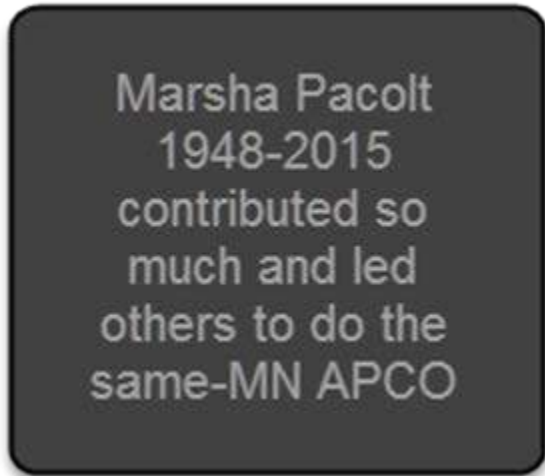
APCO Walk of Heroes for Marsha

Last call for ideas on what to write on the brick. Did the family give any input?

May need to change 2nd to last line as can only have a maximum of 14 characters including spaces in between words. Motion to pay for an additional line so we could move “the same” to one line and MN APCO on the next was made by Judy, 2nd by Faith and all in favor.

Tributes and awards will be put on the website. Also a preview of Marsha's brick - A request to send all pictures to the Pacolt family was made.

My one idea



APCO (and NENA) T-shirts

See examples and prices.

Port Authority silk touch polos – can get men's extra-large.

All prices quoted include embroidery for APCO need NENA digitized Gry/Blk or Blu/Blk depending on shirt. People can decide what logo & color on each shirt.

If we combine boards should we come up with a combined logo? For now we'll keep separate and we can order. Dar will send out order forms

Signup sheet at the conference for shirts provided by "D's Needles". Prices will be

\$24 on Denim

\$26 Denim 2XL – 4XL

New Business

Lauren reminded that we should make determination on APCO board members scholarship to Natl.

APCO in Orlando 8/14-8/17.

Dar asked about attending the Tech Forum – APCO pays for chapter president's dinner and flight – Judy 1st and Tim 2nd motion to pay 2 nights hotel for Dar to attend. Motion approved

Next Meeting:

We usually do some meeting/training during Natl. TC Week – discussed having a speaker and lunch. Lauren will book Airport Conference room. For the 8th or 15th (preferred) – Lauren will verify availability for entire day which will determine who could be guest speaker. Possible speakers include: Safety now Solutions, Indoor location detection, 911 HELP /similar Rapid SOS.

Meeting Adjourned