

APCO-Florida Chapter
Board of Officers Conference Call
July 27, 2008
10:00

Participants: Sue Pettingill
Randy Kerr
Robert Jeffrey
Ricky Rowell
Eric Ferrari
Lynn Burnside
Lori VanGilder
Priscilla Miers

Minutes were approved from the June 26, 2008 conference call meeting.

Treasurer's report: Randy provided account information as follows:

Conference \$5101.53

Chapter \$9314.44

C 6 Account \$1,443.02

Visa Bill \$5,666.68

Gulf Coast Invoice has been paid.

The Visa bill should be able to be paid off once the transfers between the C6 and C3 accounts are taken care of.

Secretary Report: Draft of letter to be sent to new attendees from the state conference reference the APCO Membership has been approved and the letters will be sent out shortly. Nothing else to report.

Board Reports:

Legislative: Robert Jeffrey

Nothing new. Asked if Sue had anything new from her side. She has talked to various people and groups of people reference the legislature and what should be done next. Sue shared with the Board what she has found out. Right now DOH is responsible for the certification. Most of it is clerical. DOH has charged the EMS council to get the certification done. Until the rule making is done nothing is going to get done. Department of Health will be holding another rule making meeting in Central Fl. around the middle of August. We should have as many people there as possible. Sue doesn't see how this is going to be done by Oct. 1. Sue suggested we play it by ear for now, attend the second rule making meeting and give our input. Will have to go back to legislation.

Sue spoke to Richard Pinsky at length about the chapter not being able to finance him for a long period of legislation. Sue suggested we set back this year and see where we want to go with this rather than to pursue additional legislation. Unless the Lee family opens it back up, then of course we would be involved.

As a group we need to decide what we are going to do about funding Richard Pinsky. There is not a contract; we are basically paying him a retainer of \$2500.00 a month. **Motion** proposed by Ricky Rowell to pay Richard Pinsky through 7/31/08; from that point on any work he wants to do and/or needs to do, will be a case by case basis with the cost being pre-approved by the board. Second to the motion made by Robert Jeffrey.

Motion carried.

Conference presentation for International must be done. Robert to check on a conference call for tomorrow or Monday. Robert has a rough draft he will finish off and send out via email for review to Joann, Debbie, and Sue. Sue also asked that once the presentation is finished, it gets put on a CD so it could be given to International.

Public Affairs: Eric Ferrari

Received Sue's email, he has not heard from Nancy. He needs pictures from the conference, especially board being sworn in and the three people who won the awards. Everyone to check to see if they have any. On the Kudos corner, see if Robin has a picture. Needs updated Committees and oversights. Sue provided the list and oversights. Question came up on whether the By-laws committee needed to be active, Randy thought it might be. Trying to get Round-up out by next week. Twelve pages. Randy will contact Nancy about the write ups for the awards.

All the email problems on the Website have been fixed.

TERT Committee: Lynn Burnside

Nothing, Natalie taught a class in Lee County and has a few scheduled.

Training Committee: Lori VanGilder

No report. Lori had to leave conference call due to meeting.

Technology Resource Committee: Randy Kerr

Still needs to set a meeting with Vic, Eric and himself. Nothing else.

Commercial Advisory Committee: Ricky Rowell

Nothing new. I got a couple issues with MA-COM stuff, been working on with Randy. Once the conference contract gets signed, will have to start working on vendors.

Executive Council: Debbie Gailbreath

No report. Couldn't be on conference call.

Board Elections

Randy suggested that the election be held at the Conference.

Ricky Rowell made the motion that election of board officers be held at the conference in October, therefore extending every ones tenure for six months. Robert Jeffrey seconded. Motion carried.

Conference: Sue brought up that NENA has said they wanted to be more involved with the state conference. Financially it might be viable. Split it 50/50. That way if we lost money we would split the loss same as if we made a profit. She hasn't talked

to NENA yet, wanted to know what the board thought. They would have more say in classes, vendors, etc. If we decide we want to do so, maybe a subset of the two boards to work out the details once Sue finds out if NENA wants to pursue. General consensus was to go ahead see if NENA is interested. Has to be decided soon because the contract with the conference site needs to be signed to get the dates.

Other business:

Discussion held about the death of the Suwanee County dispatcher and the death of the Fort Meyers Police Officer that had occurred during the last couple of weeks. Something will be put in the Round-up to include the funding info for the children of the Suwanee County dispatcher.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15.

Corrected 08/07/08 LB.