



**Chapter Meeting Minutes – Thursday, February 23, 2023**  
**IL MABAS Dispatch Summit, Marriott Bloomington-Normal Convention Center**  
**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

<b>Attending</b>	<b>Not Attending</b>
President/ Executive Council Rep Brent Reynolds	Director Bryan Whitaker
1st Vice Ralph Caldwell	Pat Hughes, Commercial Advisory
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President Glenna Johnson	Past President Jeanine Krull
Secretary Ed Milam	Frequency Advisor South Chris Kindelspire
Treasurer Bud Hicks	Frequency Advisor North Bill Carter
Director Dale Murray	
Director Jessica Robinson	
Director Kevin Diluia	
Amy Marion, Alternate Commercial Advisor	

Self-introductions of those in attendance. Illinois NENA held their meeting first.

President Brent Reynolds opened the meeting at 1141 hours.

**Approval of minutes:** The meeting minutes were presented from our meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022. **Motion to approve the minutes by Bud Hicks, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dale Murray. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Swearing in: Glenna Johnson / Kevin Diluia** – President Reynolds swore in Glenna Johnson as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President to fill a vacant position and Kevin Diluia as Director for the 2023-2024 term.

**President Comments** – President Reynolds began his comments by stating he was grateful to have this meeting jointly with Illinois NENA. Also wanted to extend thanks to Craig Kowalski of E-Comm who was a good contributor in a recent CESA subcommittee meeting. We have personnel involved with a wide variety of responsibilities in Public Safety Communications, Alicia Atkinson was asked to develop a solid matrix of 4 level resources for PSAPs. Alicia added that it is open to everyone, and we need everyone to participate.

**1st Vice President’s Ralph Caldwell Report – No report**

**2nd Vice President’s Report Glenna Johnson** – Thank you to everyone for their support. Brent added that Glenna would be an asset in the legislative re-write.

**Representative to the Executive Council Brent Reynolds** – No report

**Treasurer Bud Hicks- Treasurers report as of 2-23-2023.**

Checking	\$	16,684.10
Savings	\$	55,369.51
12- month CD	\$	60,000.00
Scholarship	\$	6,820.11
Gregg Riddle Scholarship Fund	\$	4,679.06

**Chapter Secretary Ed Milam** – No report  
**Director Jessica Robinson** – No report  
**Director Bryan Whitaker** – No report  
**Director Dale Murray** – No report  
**Director Kevin Diluia** – No report  
**Past President Jeanine Krull Report** – No report

**Jason Kern, Past International Vice President** – Jason discussed 2 items reference to upcoming events. The first was a new program by APCO International on the topic of 9-1-1 Staffing Crisis Summit in May in Virginia. The goal is to create discussions on nationwide staffing issues and present and discuss what is working. Also, APCO International Executive Director Derek Poarch will leave August 2024, the eventual person selected to replace Derek will shadow Derek for a period. The search committee consists of past presidents and regional directors including Mike O'Connor.

**South Frequency Advisor Chris Kindelspire Report** – No report

**North Frequency Advisor Bill Carter Report** – No report

Bent Reynolds mentioned the 3rd frequency advisor from Grundy County

**Commercial Advisor Pat Hughes / Amy Marion** –

- On 3/16/23 we will host a Commercial partner conference call. We are constantly trying to engage and improve the interaction between the Chapter and Commercial members.
- We also recently had a webinar on Commercial / Chapter involvement and next one is in March on how to grow membership.
- Our next CAC meeting at APCO Headquarters is on March 14<sup>th</sup>. We are always looking for Commercial input for the monthly Member Services Committee newsletter.
- Our current 2023 sponsors Diamond - Tyler Technologies, Platinum - Motorola Solutions, Dick Buss LLC, Mission Critical Partners, ID Networks. Gold – InDigital, Ottoson, DiNolfo, Hasenbalg & Castaldo, LTD, Powerphone, Priority Dispatch, ProPhoenix, Supreme Radio Communications. Silver – Chicago Communications, FGM Architects, Wold Architects, WSI technologies. Bronze – Mercury Systems
- APCO Committees sign up open now.

**Legislative: Ralph Caldwell / John Ferraro:**

- The Joint legislative committee meets every Tuesday morning at 0800. We review and take positions on bills that may affect public safety communications and we take a position to approve, neutral or oppose. John Ferraro mentioned that our Legislative Consultant John Lowder reviews 1000's of bills and asks that everyone feel free to bring something to our attention if needed.

- Ralph mentioned the topic of allowable expenses for ETSB's and during a recent meeting urged the Office of the 9-1-1 Administrator to adopt the FCC guidelines. Shortly after this meeting the Big 8 (counties) met and they adopted the FCC guidelines. Anthony Marzano advised that he is working with our legislators for Will County to educate them in advance of the bills coming forward.
- The Joint Legislative Committee is planning a town hall meeting on 3/15/23 in Plainfield for the purpose of exclusively discussing the issues of "Allowables". Anthony Marzano added that the detailed listing complicates the allowable issue in different ways. We believe that the locals officials have been doing a very good job over the years in the proper use of their funds. Ralph says that we want to work it out with the SAB, but we are prepared to go further to stay with the FCC guidelines. Ralph spoke about local control. John added that when we make decisions, we need to take all statewide.
- Future SAB meetings will be in person, but WEBEX option will be available.

**Scholarships** Ed Milam spoke about the Illinois APCO scholarship programs and their April 30 deadline.

**Leaderships Symposium** – Bud Hicks provided an update on our upcoming Leadership Symposiums in Plainfield in March followed by our Effingham sessions coming up in May. We will be holding a DASH Event in Effingham the night before the meeting.

### **New Business**

**Board Retreat** – The Illinois APCO Board held a 2-day meeting on 01/16/-17/2023. Illinois APCO Board held a retreat which was held in East Peoria. All the board members are volunteers and work full-time jobs. Brent appreciated the Board participation in planning this year's goals and activities.

**Compassionate Care** – Brent announced that Annie Marchiafava from Glenview will be the Co-chair for Illinois APCO's joint committee.

**2023 schedule** – Brent reviewed important dates on the schedule.

**Commemorative Bricks** – Brent mentioned that we will be adding bricks at APCO International's "Walk of Heros" in Daytona Beach, Florida commemorating our past chapter presidents.

**Motion to adjourn by John Ferraro, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin Diluia. Motion passed by voice vote.**  
The meeting adjourned at 1230 PM hours.

Respectfully submitted:

*Ed Milam*

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Chapter Secretary

Office of the 9-1-1 Administrators Report (Given during the NENA meeting) Cindy Barbera-Brelle reported

- 20 Next Generation 9-1-1 transitions have been completed to date. Cindy also covered the scheduled upcoming transitions. Cindy advised that they have slowed their planned transition calendar. She also reported they continue to have problems with Solacomm equipment. We have 5 scheduled in March, and 3 scheduled in April. We won't be done by the end of the year.
- Text to 911 project is experiencing the usual procurement issues. There are only 2 text to 911 providers in the country and we will do awards to both. Hopefully we will have additional info in the next week.
- GIS data system continues to move towards finalization.
- Fiscal grants 3 consolidation grants, 10 million available, 5 million to award, pending consideration. Grants for NG911 8 million available, 3 million requests.
- Regarding training certification, a call with OneNet Learning Management System resources was held and looking to meet with them the following week. A training and certification survey is being created to collect data about statewide training. Curriculum for center training programs will be statewide (possible by the end of the year, 15-16 modules).
- CESSA Protocol and Standards sub-committee is continuing to work on the draft risk matrix for making dispatch decisions. A training and certification survey is being created to collect data about statewide training. Curriculum for center training programs will be statewide (possible by the end of the year, 15-16 modules).