

## LOUISIANA NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

JULY 18, 2013

MANY, LA.

President Craig Lott called the meeting to order.

### **Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

#### *Financial*

Linda Lavergne reported to the membership that the current membership is 131 and prior membership was approximately 119. NENA's checking account balance is \$23,139.26. After all expenses were paid for the symposium there was a profit of \$7,841.25. This amount was split between the Louisiana Chapter of APCO and Louisiana Chapter of NENA. President Lott asked for a motion to accept the financial report. On a motion made by Debra Hopkins, and seconded by Anthony Summers, the motion unanimously carried.

#### *Minutes*

On a motion made by Katherine Cargo, seconded by Debra Hopkins the minutes of the last meeting were unanimously approved.

### **New Business**

#### *Symposium Committee*

Tracey Hilburn reported that the first choice for the location of the Symposium next year is Coshatta Casino Resort and the second choice location is the L'Auberge in Lake Charles. A survey was sent out to all attendees and the feedback on the speakers and agenda was very positive. The first choice of proposed dates for next year's conference is April 5-6 for pre-conference training and April 7-9 for the symposium. The second choice of proposed dates is March 29-30 for pre-conference training and March 31st to April 2<sup>nd</sup> for the symposium. Linda Lavergne reported attendance at the 2013 symposium was 218 attendees and 32 vendors. Discussion followed.

#### *Training Committee*

Linda Lavergne asked for volunteers to serve on a training committee for the Louisiana Chapter of NENA. This committee would work on obtaining speakers for the quarterly meetings and for sponsoring training courses for the membership. The training courses provided would be on a course by course basis as long as funds allow. This committee would work with the Louisiana Chapter of APCO and possibly provide joint training sponsorship. The following members volunteered to serve on the training committee: Linda Lavergne, Kory Latiolais, Craig Lott, and Anthony Summers.

Ms. Lavergne discussed welcoming first time attendees by sitting next to them and introducing them to other members. Katherine Cargo suggested having a first time attendee sign in a space provided on the sign in sheet and possibly having them wear a first time attendee ribbon to easily recognize them as a first time attendee. Discussion followed.

#### *GIS Council Update*

Katherine Cargo reported on The Louisiana Address Maintenance Plan that she has been working on with Craig Johnson. Each member present was given a copy of a short version of the plan, which highlights the important notes of the plan. A longer version is available upon request. Katherine stated that the next step is an implementation plan. She asked that feedback be provided to her on the likes and dislikes of the plan. Although there is no funding for the next phase, she and Craig will continue to volunteer to work on the plan. Discussion followed.

#### *Louisiana's Path towards Next Generation 9-1-1*

Craig Lott reported that he attended the NENA conference in Charlotte and based on what he seen, he recommends that we move on creating a plan for Next Generation 9-1-1. Currently there is a committee that consists of Craig Lott, Richard McGuire and Anthony Summers. The goal is to create a path or plan to work towards Next Generation 9-1-1 which includes not only a network to operate off of, but to also

get GIS to Next Generation 9-1-1 along with coordination between every agency in the state. Craig stated that if anyone would like to join the committee to let him know and they can participate in the meetings. Katherine Cargo volunteered to join.

### **Other Business**

#### *LERN Committee*

Debra Hopkins announced that she is resigning from the LERN committee. Craig Lott has volunteered take Debra's place.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Debra Hopkins to adjourn, seconded by Don Smith. Meeting adjourned.