

LOUISIANA NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 17, 2018
MARKSVILLE, LA

President Jude Moreau called the meeting to order. The prayer and pledge was led by Richard McGuire.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Financial

Linda Lavergne reported that the current membership is 161 and prior membership was approximately 161. NENA's checking account balance is \$51,016.19, which includes money received for the 2018 Symposium.

On a motion made by Richard McGuire, seconded by Liz Hill, the financial report was unanimously approved.

Minutes

On a motion made by Sonya Wiley-Gremillion, seconded by Jack Varnado, the minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

New Business

Committee Reports: Louisiana Next Generation 9-1-1 Sub-Committee

Richard McGuire reported that a meeting was recently held to discuss the transition to Next Generation 9-1-1. Mr. McGuire advised that the Next Generation 9-1-1 Sub-Committee also met with several vendors at the Symposium which helped the Committee gain further insight on the transition to Next Generation 9-1-1. Mr. McGuire also stated that the GIS side of the transition to Next Generation 9-1-1 needs to continue moving forward as map data plays is a very important step in the process of transitioning to Next Generation 9-1-1.

Joe Thompson reported that several meetings have taken place with DOTD in reference to the centralized database that is being created. Mr. Thompson advised that DOTD is working with West Baton Rouge Parish to create a pilot program to see how to transfer the address data back and forth. Mr. Thompson also advised that additional out of state data for parishes that border Arkansas, Mississippi and Texas has been requested from DOTD. Discussion followed.

Committee Reports: Symposium Committee

Jack Varnado thanked everyone for attending the Symposium and reminded those present of the Barbeque and Shrimp/Crawfish Boil that will be taking place after the Chapter meetings. Mr. Varnado also asked that if anyone has any suggestions for the 2019 Symposium to let him or any member of the Symposium Committee know.

Other Business

Anthony Summers advised members that he currently serves on the NENA National Member Committee and spoke to members about what NENA National is doing to increase membership numbers. Mr. Summers advised that group memberships have become available for agencies as well as the option to join as a Telecommunicator. Mr. Summers also advised that NENA National will sponsor a class of choice for the chapter with the highest percentage increase of members.

Linda Draughn-Woloski, NENA National Southeastern Regional Director briefly spoke to members about the NENA Telecommunicator Caucus which is looking for members to join who are willing to get involved to make their profession better. She also reminded members of the NENA National Conference which will be held June 16th – 21st in Nashville. Ms. Draughn-Woloski also asked for the Chapter's support in her running for reelection of NENA National Southeastern Regional Director.

Election of Officers

Kory Latiolais, Nominating Committee Chairperson reported that the Committee received one nomination, Sean Spansel for the position of Vice President. The floor was opened for any other nominations for the position of Vice President. There being no further nominations, a motion was made by Tracey Hilburn to close the nominations, and was seconded by Jack Varnado. The motion was unanimously approved to close the nominations. Sean Spansel was unanimously elected as Vice President.

The swearing in of new officers was done by Linda Draughn-Woloski, NENA National Southeastern Regional Director.

President Ronnie Hoefeld presented outgoing President Jude Moreau a plaque for his outstanding service as the Louisiana Chapter of NENA President.

A motion was made by Dennis Darouse for the Louisiana Chapter of NENA to support Linda Draughn-Woloski in her running for reelection of NENA National Southeastern Regional Director, seconded by Anthony Summers and unanimously approved.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Richard McGuire to adjourn, seconded by Kathrine Cargo and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned.