



**Chapter Meeting Minutes – Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Plainfield Fire Protection District, Plainfield, IL**

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

<b>Attending</b>	<b>Not Attending</b>
President/ Executive Council Rep Brent Reynolds	Director Bryan Whitaker
1st Vice Ralph Caldwell	Past President Jeanine Krull
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President Tammy Peterson	Pat Hughes, Commercial Advisory
Secretary Ed Milam	
Director Martin Doyle	
Director Steve Rauter	
Director Bud Hicks	
Amy Marion, Alternate Commercial Advisor	
Frequency Advisor South Chris Kindelspire	
Frequency Advisor North Bill Carter	

President Brent Reynolds requested members present to introduce themselves.

President Brent Reynolds opened the meeting at 1125 hours.

**Approval of minutes:** The meeting minutes were presented from our meeting on October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021, **Motion to approve the minutes by Ralph Caldwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nate Krause.**

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

**President Comments –**

Wish to thank Tyler Technologies for their Diamond sponsorship support. Lunch will be arriving at 1145 hours or so. Brent Reynolds thanked Ed Milam for his work on the luncheon. We have a raffle after the lunch today.

This last year, as we have navigated through COVID, we wanted to make sure that we still offered training and to come through for our sponsors. I believe the IPSTA Conference was one of the best conferences we have presented. The work by the Conference Committee made up of APCO and NENA members was excellent. We have some changes coming up in 2022 for training and meeting locations.

**1st Vice President’s Ralph Caldwell Report –**

- The Statewide Advisory Board held a meeting on November 15, 2021. The meeting dates were established for 2022 and our on our website.

- 2 appointments to the SAB, Damon Dade was appointed as the Fire representative and Linda Zerwin was reappointed. There are several other vacancies that remain unfilled currently.
- We also discussed administrative rules 1324 / 1327. 1324 refers to rules for Consolidations, etc. and 1327 for grants for PSAPS. The State Police wanted comments due by December 6<sup>th</sup>. The Legislative Committee along with the Boards from Illinois NENA and APCO held a couple of meetings to formulate comments on these administrative rules. About a week after that meeting, we held an on-line Zoom meeting for all members to participate in. During that meeting we reviewed the comments previously made and requested additional comments from our members.
- The next SAB meeting will be December 13<sup>th</sup> and we will approve the 2022 meeting dates and also discuss administrative rules 1325 /1329. The important issue on 1329 is the listing of allowable expenses that surcharge funds can be utilized. We have been going back and forth for several years. In September 2021, the FCC put together a task force to create a report on the list of allowable expenses. Ralph hopes that the SAB simply adopts this federal listing.
- On the Mental Health bill, Ralph had a chance to be on a zoom call on November 14<sup>th</sup> with the University of Illinois Police Chief. The University has a joint model pilot program consisting of a police officer and a social worker responding to their mental health calls. The Statewide Committee has not been formed yet by the Committee on Human Services. The call focused on encouraging the Governor's office to go forward with forming this Committee so that progress can be made on defining the model that the mental health calls will be handled starting in 2023.
- In our latest update of the ETSA public act we achieved Telecommunicator Certification we have been working on for years. More information on that is forthcoming and the sunset has been extended till December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.
- Some of you may have been contacted by AT&T for statewide building out of the network which is proceeding.

#### **2nd Vice President's Report Tammy Peterson –**

- Tammy thanked once again all of our 2021 IPSTA Conference sponsors.
- We did encounter a change with our vendor for the CE certificates. They should be out this week. We will be following up with them to make sure that happens for the attendees.
- We will be back at the Crown Plaza for our 38<sup>th</sup> Annual IPSTA Conference, the dates are 10/23-26/2022,
- Brent also mentioned getting your costumes ready for our Halloween themed banquet.

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

#### **Treasurer Report – No Treasurers report.**

#### **Chapter Secretary Ed Milam –**

- Ed mentioned that we are working to complete our 2022 calendar with all relevant dates regarding events and milestone dates for the IPSTA Conference and SAB meetings and ILAPCO APCO events.

- This time of year, we put much emphasis on membership renewals. Ed urged members eligible for group memberships to take advantage of this offer when available.

**Director Steve Rauter –**

- Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee (SWIT) currently working on State Wide Interoperability Communications (SWIC) template. This will replace the old ITTF template and includes all spectrum frequencies used not just StarCom. Do not program radios based on these drafts. There is a 5-part plan to roll this out. Much more work to complete but work continues. The biggest task will be education.

**Director Bryan Whitaker – No report**

**Director Bud Hicks –**

- Spring Leadership Symposium in Plainfield on 3/2-4/2022 and on 5/3-4/2022 in Effingham in conjunction with the Joint APCO/NENA membership meeting.
- Brent added we are working on our next DASH event the night prior to the Joint Meeting

**Director Martin Doyle – No report**

**Past President Jeanine Krull Report – No report.**

**APCO International President Jason Kern –**

- Government relations – As you know we’ve been looking for funding for Next Gen 9-1-1 the amounts suggested were 12 to 15 billion dollars; 12 was allocated for NG 9-1-1 and 3 billion toward the cyber security component which APCO supports very strongly. On November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021, the House passed the Build Back Better act which contained 470 million dollars for NG 9-1-1. That now advances to the senate for them to consider. We are going to continue to press for the full funding amounts needed but the climate in Washington DC is very challenging.
- Yesterday we were notified that the TC reclassification language had been pulled from the Defense Authorization Act as part of the reconciliation. It was not unexpected, but we were optimistic.
- We (APCO Institute) have been working on a Diversity Class. We recently held 2 pilot courses, 1 at APCO HQ and at the Georgia Public Safety Center. The feedback received during the pilots was extremely positive. Using the feedback from the pilot’s class will be finalized and named “Diversity, Inclusion, Civility and Equity in the ECC and will be offered in the Spring of 2022.
- Much work is in progress on Standards Development, there are 2 candidate standards in review and comment at this time; Core Competencies and Minimum Training Requirements for Public Safety Communication Technician ends December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and Core Competencies and Minimum Training Requirements for Public Safety Communication Managers till December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The candidate standard

for Missing, Abducted and Sexually Exploited Children has closed, there were 124 comments from the staff at the National Center For Missing and Exploited Children. The Chairs of the working group are working through the adjudication process for those comments.

- Emerging Technology forum have been moved to virtual and we hosted 300 attendees recently.

**Commercial Advisor Pat Hughes / Amy Marion** – Amy once again recognized and thanked Tyler Technologies for 9 years of support. We are always looking for new ideas on how we can improve relationship.

**Emerging Technologies Committee** – Amy Marion reported that we are kicking off our first meeting in January. Thank you for to all who have volunteered. We have identified 3 Co-Chairs: Dale Murray from Will County ETSB, Michelle Uginchus from Calumet City and Jeff Wooten from METCAD. The first meeting is scheduled for January 25<sup>th</sup> at 1000 hours and will be virtual. Future meetings may be scheduled in person adjacent to regularly scheduled membership meetings. We posted a survey posted for the group for time availability and for subject topics.

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

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

**Chapter Election Results** - President Brent Reynolds reported that turnout was 37 percent of voting members. The election opened on 11/15/2021 and closed on 12/8/2021 at 1700 hours. Brent Reynolds retrieved the certified voting results from the Simply Voting website and reported that Ed Milam was elected Chapter Secretary and Martin Doyle was elected as Chapter Treasurer.

Brent mentioned that we will have a vacant Director's position and we will be putting out a call for volunteers to fill the position.

Secretary Ed Milam, Treasurer Martin Doyle and Director Bud Hicks were sworn in by President Brent Reynolds for the 2022-2023 term.

Brent thanked those candidates who ran for the Treasurers position. We need your participation and contributions.

Brent spoke of the joint general membership meetings for 2022.

**Motion to adjourn by Bud Hicks, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin Diluia. Motion passed by voice vote.**  
Meeting adjourned at 1207 hours.

Respectfully submitted:

*Ed Milam*

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Chapter Secretary