

## WI-NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2005 – 10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

**Call to Order:** Chapter President, Dave Sleeter at 10:00 a.m.

**Roll Call:** Board Members Present were Dave Sleeter, Al Blencoe, Jay Maritz, Julie Cipra, and absent, Lynn Wallace.

Members present were: Richard Tuma, Waukesha County; Nancy Heimke, LaCrosse County PSC; Michael Thompson, LaCrosse County PSC; Corey Kopenski, SBC Public Safety; Kate Beinecke, SBC Public Safety; Rose Lillyroot, Sawyer County Communications; Tom Wrysinski, Wisconsin State Patrol, Wausau; Carl Guse, Wisconsin State Patrol; John Verhyen, Wisconsin State Patrol; Dick White, Plant Equipment; Drake Fleege, Motorola; Sally Dickinson, Appleton PD; Mary Schuelke, Outagamie County SO; Brad Bastian, Outagamie County GIS; Karen Carlson, FoxComm; Paul Wittkamp, State DPH-EMS Communications; Gary Ackerman, Verizon; Jim Tollaksen, Verizon; Russ Schreiner, Sheboygan PD; Linda Repphum; Sheboygan PD; Greg Friese, North Central RTAC; Glenna Johnson, GeoComm; Steve Hildre, GeoComm; Ron Bloom, GeoComm; Jeff Roemer, RW Management Group; Wendy Maechtle, Ozaukee County Sheriff; Connie Briggs, CenturyTel; Kathy Ivans, Menominee Falls.

**Approve Minutes** of last regular meeting on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Motion to approve by Dave Sleeter and Al Blencoe.

**Public Comment:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** Balance as of 5/16/05 is \$29,682.07 with a couple of vendor registrations still pending. Dave Sleeter noted that overall, we are in good fiscal shape but still have conference bills ahead of us.

**Newsletter Distribution Methods:** Dave Sleeter asked for member input on sending the newsletter via email versus regular mail to save expenses. Comments were favorable and it was noted that APCO does it this way now and works well for them. Jay Maritz made a motion to begin sending electronically after providing notification in the next newsletter and seconded by Al Blencoe with the condition that we send via regular mail if requested.

Discussed the possibility of combining our newsletter with APCO to further cut expenses. Dave will include as an agenda item to discuss further at the August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Conference updates/new hotel:**

The 2006 conference will be held at the Kalahari in Wisconsin Dells. Al Blenco is in the process of finalizing the contract now. The Kalahari sent a complimentary business card holder and pen. Business cards were drawn and Steve Kreuser was the lucky winner.

This year's conference will be held at the same location but the name has changed from The Holiday Inn to Country Springs. We are hopeful that the change of facility and location will increase attendance and membership as well as provide a more enjoyable atmosphere.

Jay Maritz mentioned that there is still time to sign up as a speaker or vendor. Speakers can submit ideas on line at [www.winena.org](http://www.winena.org) and vendors can contact Lynn Wallace or Al Blencoe. Contact information is on the website.

**National NENA Ballots:** Ballots have been mailed, please be sure to vote.

**Wisconsin Trauma System Update:** Presented by Greg Friese, Coordinator North Central RTAC (Regional Trauma Advisory Council) and President, Emergency Preparedness Systems, LLC.

Greg explained that one of the main goals of RTAC is to have a state-wide system that plans for, responds to, and allows recovery from trauma. He presented trauma facts and defined a trauma system as: An organized system of health care delivery that combines emergency services and hospital resources to optimize injury care.

Agency goals are to decrease trauma mortality and injury, create basic infrastructure for mass casualty management, and match EMS & hospital resources to meet the needs of injured patients. Part of the solution is to bring together multiple agencies involved in trauma cases from the dispatcher who answers the 911 call through transport and hospital care.

Recent mandates require dispatch to be involved with a mass casualty program. There are some dollars available such as \$1,400.00 for EMS Mass Casualty Training. There will also be upcoming table top discussions.

For more information on the Wisconsin Trauma System contact:

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**Public Safety Mapping presented by Geo-Comm:**

PowerPoint presentation on mapping presented by Glenna Johnson, Steve Hildre, and Ron Bloom. You can obtain a copy of the PowerPoint presentation by contacting Glenna Johnson.

This presentation reviewed mapping and how it relates to wireless calls. Various map "layers" necessary/helpful for a dispatch center were reviewed such as: Street centerlines, structure points, EMS, Fire, First Responder, and Law Enforcement layers, ESN layers, aerial photos, hydro, RR layers, municipal boundaries, etc. Floor plan

layouts for schools, and public buildings are becoming more common and wireless towers/cell sectors are a major upcoming layer that will need to be implemented.

Map layer sources were discussed such as an in-house GIS departments, private mapping contractors, and layers available from state and federal agencies. Stressed the importance of maintaining your data once you have it.

Rich Tuma of Waukesha County briefly discussed their experiences since implementation of Phase II Wireless 911 service. He mentioned that their dispatchers often “rebid” on a call to get a more precise location. Small things can make a difference in accuracy such as whether the cell phone caller is in or out of their vehicle (outside improves reception/location). Inside or outside of a building also affects accuracy. For proprietary reasons, Wireless Carriers were reticent to provide exact caller locations when testing. Waukesha conducted in-house tests on their own and found accuracy to be fairly good.

Rich also mentioned that the most recent information he has on the wireless surcharge is roughly .95 per line which is good since hopes were that it would come under a \$1.00. Wireless carrier expenses came in around \$60,000,000 and the PSC still hopes to have preliminary information to the PSAP’s in June.

**Set next meeting date:** August 10, 2005 in Stevens Point at the Portage County Annex at 10:00 a.m. Executive meeting at 9:00 a.m.

**Motion to adjourn:** Al Blencoe

Respectfully submitted,

*Julie M. Cipra*

Julie Cipra, Secretary