

# **NENA of Minnesota**

## **Meeting Minutes (unapproved)**

December 18, 2014

### **I. Call to order**

President Christine McPherson called the meeting to order of NENA of Minnesota at 11:15 am on December 18, 2014 at the MESB offices in St. Paul, Minnesota.

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were also present: Pamela Oslin, Diane Lind, Pete Eggiman, and Susan Bowler.

### **III. Minutes from previous meetings**

Minutes from the March 12, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Susan made the motion, seconded by Pete, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

### **IV. Treasurer's report**

- A. The treasurer's report was handed out for perusal. The November 2014 balance was \$33,269.34. December income to date included:
  - a. 2014 MSA Conference Revenue of \$3,527.42
  - b. Minnesota Secretary of State Fees for NENA included expenses and profits for the annual conference.
- B. Discussed plan for catching up tax and legal status. Christine spent \$90 for Secretary of State fees for business filing and requested reimbursement. Christine is working to set appointment with H&R block to update tax filing. Pete suggested asking tax person for legal referral to have a lawyer check in also.

Diane made the motion to approve the treasurer's report and authorize \$90 reimbursement for Christine. Second by Pete. Motion carried.

### **V. Open issues, Christine McPherson & Pete Eggiman, speaker**

- A. HOT TOPIC - Discussed status of the Wireless E911 Location Accuracy Proposals. Find Me 911 does not have an actual proposal. The proposal from APCO and NENA made in conjunction with the three largest Wireless carriers (CTIA) is comprehensive and includes measurable improvement goals and deadlines; more importantly – the big three wireless vendors have agreed with this proposal. The original FCC proposal and the Find Me 911 proposals are not endorsed by the big carriers and likely will make it more difficult to work with those agencies moving forward.

## VII. Other/New business

### A. MSA-NENA-APCO Conference Sponsorship discussion.

- a. Discussed sponsoring PSTC class for line staff at annual conference. Susan requested that future classes look at NENA courses approved for ENP credit. Susan offered to host a course if a suitable one was available for sponsorship outside of the conference. Motion made by Susan and seconded by Diane to approve current PSTC class plan for sponsorship by payment of \$2,000 to MSA. Motion carried.
- b. Also discussed sponsoring gift certificates for vendor give-away at conference. Suggestion was made to purchase 2 x \$50 gift certificates. Christine made motion to approve and Susan seconded. Motion carried.

### B. Review of Bylaws and Future of Minnesota NENA. Group present discussed and reviewed the current bylaws. Discussion was focused on whether we should work to fully update current bylaws or explore combining with APCO to form a joint board and committees (but still separate organizations). Christine has broached the idea already to Chuck Venske who has been having trouble filling the NENA board. Christine brought examples of various other states which have successfully done this:

- a. <http://waapconena.org/>
- b. <http://www.az-apco-nena.org/>

Other organizations were also discussed that have combined such as the Dakotas.

Changing the bylaws and/or merging the board with NENA would require a vote of all NENA members. It was agreed that there was not time to facilitate this between now and the upcoming conference in March but that might be something to bring to a vote in March 2016. Motion was made by Pete, seconded by Susan to continue to explore combining boards.

### C. The position of 2<sup>nd</sup> VP is currently vacant as Susan Bowler moved to 1<sup>st</sup> VP when Gloria Stevenson retired. At the upcoming conference, Christine McPherson will move to Immediate Past-President and Susan will become President. We are seeking volunteers for:

- a. One person immediately to be appointed by the President to 2<sup>nd</sup> VP that will move to 1<sup>st</sup> VP in March.
- b. One person interested in filling the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP position. If more than one person, an election may be held.

**Adjournment:**

Pete moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:35 pm. Seconded by Christine. Motion carried.