

**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING
ROLL CALL
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 2008**

CHAPTER	REPRESENTED BY	PRESENT	ABSENT	PROXY
ALABAMA	Patricia Hall	X		
ALASKA	Pam Provost	X		
ARIZONA	Patsy Joy "PJ"	X		
ARKANSAS	John Gibson	X		
ATLANTIC	Peter Thomas	X		
CPRA	Richard Granado	X		
COLORADO	John Kyler	X		
FLORIDA	Debbie Gailbreath NEW	X		
GEORGIA	Carolyn Hunter NEW	X		Barry Woodward
IDAHO	Derek Dofelmire NEW	X		
ILLINOIS	Gregory Riddle	X		
INDIANA	Donald Kottlowski	X		
IOWA	Eric Nevins	X		
KANSAS	Mary Messamore	X		
KENTUCKY	Steve Tracy	X		
LOUISIANA	Woody Glover	X		
MICHIGAN	Lloyd Fayling	X		
MID-EASTERN	Dawn Lynch	X		
MINNESOTA	Faith Evers	X		
MISSISSIPPI	Brenda Gowdy	X		
MISSOURI	Robin Tieman	X		
MONTANA	Kimberly Burdick	X		
NEBRASKA	Julie Righter	X		
NEVADA	Brent Lee	X		
NEW MEXICO	Art Rios	X		
NORTH CAROLINA	Frank Thomason	X		
NORTH DAKOTA	Rick Hessinger	X		
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	Desi Calzada NEW	X		
OHIO	Lynne Feller	X		
OKLAHOMA	Matthew Stillwell	X		
OREGON	Mark Buchholz	X		
PACIFIC	Melvin Morris		X	

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Saturday, August 2, 2008*

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PENNSYLVANIA	Jay Groce	X		
SOUTH CAROLINA	Sheila Hanna-Wiles NEW	X		
SOUTH DAKOTA	Tom Sandvick	X		Rick Hessinger
TENNESSEE	Kimberly White	X		
TEXAS	Bill Keller	X		
UTAH	GiGi Smith	X		
VIRGINIA	Terry Hall	X		
WASHINGTON	Peggy Fouts	X		
WEST VIRGINIA	David Saffel	X		
WISCONSIN	Jay Maritz	X		
WYOMING	Larry Sheridan	X		
COMMERCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE	Don Whitney	X		
INTERNATIONAL	Manfred Blaha	X		
BOARD OF OFFICERS				
PRESIDENT	Willis Carter	X		
PRESIDENT ELECT	Chris Fischer	X		
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT	Richard Mirgon	X		
SECOND VICE PRESIDENT	Bill Carrow	X		
PAST PRESIDENTS				
PAST PRESIDENT 2006 - 2007	Wanda McCarley	X		
PAST PRESIDENT 2004 - 2006	Greg Ballentine	X		
Ex-OFFICIO				
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	George S. Rice, Jr.	X		

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Downtown Kansas City Marriott Hotel
Kansas City, Missouri
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MEETING MINUTES

Convene, Roll Call, and Housekeeping Announcements

The Saturday, August 2, 2008 formal session of the Executive Council Annual Meeting convened at 8:38 a.m.

Moderator President Willis Carter welcomed the Executive Council to the Formal Session.

- a. The Roll was Called followed by housekeeping announcements.
- b. A presentation from the Strategic Governance Initiative Task Force was added to the agenda.

Strategic Governance Initiative Task Force Presentation

SGI Task Force Member Steve Proctor began his presentation by thanking the Executive Council for their passion and commitment to the restructuring of APCO's Governing Documents. The SGI Task Force proposed the following amendments to Resolution One in the Constitution & Bylaws Version Four:

- The addition of the word "**Tribal**" to Section 2.1 so that it may read as "... Endorsed by federal, state, local and **TRIBAL** governments."
- A statement that fully explains how the Board Directors shall be elected to Section 7.3. The statement reads "Following the initial selection in 2008, the selection shall be in accordance with **UNIFORM** free and fair election **POLICIES APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND SUCH** selection....."

SGI Task Force Member Steve Proctor asked the Executive Council Members by a show of hands if they preferred Option A or Option B in regards to the selection period of Executive Council members are. The Executive Council Members agreed upon Option B to be added as an Amendment to Resolution 2.

- **Option A:** A statement that explains when the selection of the Board of Directors should occur also in Section 7.3. The statement reads "..... selection **MADE AT LEAST SIXTY DAYS PRIOR TO** the Annual Conference **AND THEN SUBMITTED TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.**
- **Option B:** A statement that explains when the selection of the Board of Directors should occur also in Section 7.3. The statement reads "..... selection **EACH YEAR SHALL BE MADE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING AT** the Annual Conference.

SGI Task Force Member Steve Proctor also briefly revisited the discussion on the International Chapter having a seat on the Board Directors. The SGI Task Force Group felt the Resolution should remain as is due to the size and representation of the International Chapter (there are two members and they are Commercial Members who are active in CAC). Steve reiterated and made it clear that the CAC would not have a seat on the Executive Committee, but would have a seat on the Board of Directors.

Each SGI Regional Representative was asked to make brief comments on the proposed Resolutions. The common theme that ran through each Representative's comments was how the proposed Resolutions would actively engage all APCO members, thus improving communications on the National, Regional, and Chapter levels to increase the power of APCO and its reach in the Public Safety Field. The presentation concluded with comments from each SGI Task Force Member. President Willis Carter thanked the SGI Task Force and the Regional Representatives for their commitment and diligence over the past six months.

Consent Agenda

Mary Messamore, Kansas Chapter, *motioned* to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Richard Granado, CPRA Chapter, *seconded* the motion.

- August 2008 Mid-Year Meeting Minutes
- APCO Policy Manual Sections:
 - Section 13.2
 - Section 13.4
 - Section 13.5
 - Section 13.6
 - Section 13.13
 - Section 13.14

A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and the *motion carried*.

Action Items

FY 2009 Budget Amendments

Woody Glover, Louisiana Chapter, *motioned* for approval. Terry Hall, Virginia Chapter *seconded* the motion.

Discussion and Questions

Jay Maritz, Wisconsin Chapter, *proposed* an amendment to the FY2009 Budget Amendments to include a new line item for \$14,000 for the Heritage Foundation with the expectation and instruction that the Advisory Committee will work with the Executive Director and staff to develop future budgets. Lloyd Fayling, Michigan Chapter, *seconded* the amendment.

Discussion on the Amendment

- Jay Maritz, Wisconsin Chapter, explained why he offered the amendment, noting the importance of maintaining APCO's history while acknowledging this amendment will put the budget into the negative.

- Wanda McCarley, Past President, voiced her agreement with the proposed amendment noting the importance of preserving APCO history. She also questioned if some other areas in the budget could be scaled down to eliminate a negative budget.
- Lynne Feller, Ohio Chapter, asked if the Heritage Foundation Advisory Committee submitted a work plan. In response, Executive Director George Rice stated the Heritage Committee had not submitted a work plan or a budget, but that Heritage does have about \$9,000 remaining in its account.
- Chris Fischer, President-Elect, noted the Board would entertain a work plan from Heritage in line with what is requested of all APCO committees in order to receive financial assistance.
- Jay Maritz, Wisconsin Chapter, agreed with Chris Fischer that the Advisory Committee should be responsible for submitting a work plan and budget.
- Dick Mirgon, First Vice-President, *proposed to modify* the amendment to include the following language: the Heritage Foundation must submit a budget and spend down the remaining \$9,000 in its account before receiving the proposed \$14,000.
- Jay Maritz, Wisconsin Chapter, agreed with First Vice-President Dick Mirgon, and Lloyd Fayling, Michigan Chapter, also concurred. Accepting the language as friendly or agreeable, the amendment now requires that the Heritage line item be contingent on the submission of a budget and use of the existing \$9,000 in funds before being allocated the \$14,000.
- Wanda McCarley, Past President, noted the fixed costs associated with maintaining a collection of this size and wanted to make sure the Heritage Foundation is treated like the other Advisory Committees.
- Larry Sheridan, Wyoming Chapter, repeated the motion with the amendment: The FY2009 Budget will include a new line item of \$14,000 for the Heritage Foundation with the expectation and instruction that the Advisory Committee will work with the Executive Director and staff to develop future budgets and to spend down the remaining \$9,000 in the account before being allocated the \$14,000.

A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and the *amendment to the original motion carried*.
A verbal vote was taken on the *original motion as amended and it carried*.

Quorum Resolution 1

Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, *motioned* to recommend Quorum Resolution 1 with the amendments presented this morning (Version 5) to the membership at the General Business Session. Peggy Fouts, Louisiana Chapter, *seconded* the motion.

Discussion and Questions

Manfred Blaha, International Chapter, offered an *amendment to the motion* to include an International representative on the proposed Board of Directors structure. Matthew Stillwell, Oklahoma Chapter, *seconded* the motion.

- Lynn Feller, Ohio Chapter, explained the International Chapter only had 2 active voting members which does not qualify them a seat on the Board.
- Woody Glover, Louisiana Chapter, reiterated the SGI group believes the International efforts are really important, but there should be a clarification on the roles and responsibilities of the International Chapter.
- Dick Mirgon, First Vice President, noted his reason for voting down the amendment: the International Chapter is a Chapter not a region due to their size. As a Board member who has asked for recommendations from the SGI and has received them, he will be voting on the Resolution as was submitted by the Task Force.
- Matthew Stillwell, Oklahoma Chapter, noted that he doesn't support this amendment because of the ratio of numbers, but noted that the International Chapter has some special needs and is unique from the other Chapters.
- Manfred Blaha, International Chapter, asked if the amendment is voted down to have a discussion and review of how the International Chapter is represented and viewed to clarify its purpose and expectations of the International Chapter within APCO.

A verbal vote was taken and the *amendment to the original Version 5 motion did not carry.*

Dick Mirgon, First Vice President, *proposed the following* amendment to Quorum Resolution 1

- The addition of the word “**Tribal**” to Section 2.1 so that it may read as “.... Endorsed by federal, state, local and **TRIBAL** governments.”

Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, *seconded* the amendment. A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and the *amendment to the motion carried.*

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Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, *seconded* the amendment. A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and the *amendment to the motion carried.*

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Manfred Blaha, International Chapter, *seconded* the amendment. A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and the *amendment to the motion carried.*

- Past President Greg Ballentine noted his support for Resolution 1 noting that the proposed structure was not perfect, but believes it is a needed change. He noted that the initiative was well thought out, well vetted and foundationally strong. He also noted his concern with the Resolution, but wanted to go on the record as supporting the Resolution.
- Past President Joe Hanna gave his support too for Resolution 1. He stated he was concerned in the beginning, but believed the changes need to happen. He also reiterated that all of his concerns had been addressed.
- Past President Wanda McCarley stated that she would be voting no on this effort because there should be more time devoted to the review process

Mary Messamore, Kansas Chapter, *motioned* to have a secret ballot vote on this resolution.
Larry Sheridan, Wyoming Chapter, *seconded* the motion.

Discussion and Questions

- Lloyd Fayling, Michigan Chapter, suggested this vote be a roll call vote.
- Peter Thomas, Atlantic Chapter, disagreed with motion for a secret ballot and wanted a roll call vote to be used.
- Mary Messamore, Kansas Chapter, noted that some Executive Council members felt pressured into voicing their support for the Resolution and she felt that a secret ballot would allow these Council Members to express their true opposition vote.
- Jay Maritz, Wisconsin Chapter, agreed with the roll call suggestion, noting the Council members should not feel bullied into voting yes to the Resolution.

Bill Keller, Texas Chapter, *offered* an amendment to Mary Messamore's amendment to use a roll call vote for Resolution One. Mary Messamore *withdrew* her motion for a secret ballot vote.

Terry Hall, Virginia Chapter, *motioned* that a roll call vote be used for voting on Resolution 1. Lloyd Fayling, Michigan Chapter, *seconded* the motion. A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and *the motion carried*.

A roll call vote was taken on the *amended motion and it carried*. The roll call vote results were **42 AYES** and **8 NAYES**.

Quorum Resolution 2

Lloyd Fayling, Michigan Chapter, *motioned* to recommend Quorum Resolution 2 to the membership at the General Business Session. Larry Sheridan, Wyoming Chapter, *seconded* the motion.

Discussion and Questions

- Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, What the reason for excluding the PSFA in the merger of the subsidiaries? Mark Cannon, Executive Deputy Director, explained that due to the history of the foundation and what it represents (preserving the nature); it is typical of a non-profit membership organization to have a separate entity/foundation that provides grants and receive grants. The intent was to preserve the initial creation of the PSFA and also to be in-line with other associations

A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and the *motion carried*.

Quorum Resolution 3

Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, *motioned* to recommend Quorum Resolution 3 to the membership at the General Business Session. Jay Groce, Pennsylvania Chapter, *seconded* the motion.

Discussion and Questions

- Jay Groce, Pennsylvania Chapter, said he going to oppose the motion because of the allocation of yearly funds to support the Heritage Foundation as denoted in early action taken by the Executive Council.
- Wanda McCarley, Past President, What is the source of the \$9,000 in the Heritage Foundation's account? Deputy Executive Director and Treasurer of the Heritage Foundation Mark Cannon said that all monies are received for the Heritage Foundation from any entity (this includes Chapters, the Executive Council) have been categorized as Restricted Funds for the purposes of the Heritage Foundation. Past President McCarley would like to see all funds earmarked for a specific purpose when received by the Heritage Foundation.
- There was a brief discussion around changing the Resolution 3 language to remove the specific dollar amount and insert language stating that certain portions of the membership funds would be used for the Heritage Foundation budget. Several Executive Council members noted the need for permanent funds for the Heritage Foundation, but didn't want to see it come out of Membership funds, stating this Resolution would be setting a precedence of dedicating membership dues to a Program.
- Woody Glover, Louisiana Chapter, invited the maker of the Resolution give his thoughts on the motion. Dave Swan said that he felt very strongly and believes the Resolution should be introduced to Quorum because of the need for permanent funding sources for the Heritage Foundation.
- Wanda McCarley, Past President, asked would it be possible to set up a separate fund within PSFA to accept Heritage Foundation donations and not take the 7% Administrative Fee? George Rice, Executive Director, said yes this could happen, but the 7% Administrative Fee would be taken because it's based on all of the PSFA's assets. Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, agreed with Past Presidents suggestions.
- Terry Hall, Virginia Chapter, suggested a check box be included on the membership form denoting donations to the Heritage Foundation. He also challenged the other Chapters to

support the Heritage Foundation, after pledging \$500 to the Heritage Foundation made behalf of the Virginia Chapter, President Linda Goodrich.

- Wanda McCarley, Past President, asked where do the donated funds go? Will they be included in the APCO operating budget after the merger of the subsidiaries. Mark Cannon, Executive Deputy Director, explained that all monies donated for the purpose of Heritage Foundation will be restricted to use for Heritage Foundation purposes only. He also noted in the history of the Heritage Foundation, Chapters has never earmarked their donations for a specific purpose within the Foundation.
- Lynn Feller, Ohio Chapter, asked for clarification in regards to Resolved 1? Dave Swan noted the intent would be to increase the percentage allocated for the Heritage Foundation every time the Executive Council voted to increase membership fees due to the CPI.
- Dick Mirgon, First Vice-President, recommended the Executive Council ask the Board to allocate funds for the Heritage Foundation out of the APCO yearly budget if the Resolution fails in the Quorum.
- Desi Calzada, Northern California Chapter, agreed with Past President Wanda McCarley's suggestion to set a special account for donations from chapters. He also noted his support for the Heritage Foundation with the pledging of funds from the Northern California Chapter and encouraged the Heritage Foundation to present an annual report of their activities at the Executive Council meetings.

A verbal vote was taken and the *motion failed*.

Jay Maritz, Wisconsin Chapter, *motioned* not to recommend Quorum Resolution 3 to the membership at the General Business Session. Brenda Gowdy, Mississippi Chapter, *seconded* the motion.

Discussion and Questions

- Wanda McCarley, Past President, suggested the Executive Council find a way to convey our support for the Heritage Foundation even though we are not recommending the resolution.
- Chris Fischer, President-Elect, explained to the Executive Council the Board's suggestion of creating a group of individuals to develop a Strategic Plan for the Heritage Foundation that would review past, current, and future projects, and assist with raising funds for the Heritage Foundation. She said the upcoming Board will be putting together a strategy if the Resolution fails. She also asked that the Executive Council give the new constituted Board a chance to thoroughly review the APCO Heritage Foundation.
- Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, recommended at the Business Meeting, the Board explain to the Quorum why the Executive Council chose not to recommend the Resolution and to make a point of noting the Executive Council's full support of the APCO Heritage Foundation's efforts to preserve the history of APCO.

A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and the *motion passed*.

Policy Manual Section 13.3

Peggy Fouts, Washington Chapter, made a *motion* to approve APCO Policy Manual Section 13.3. Patsy Joy, Arizona Chapter, *seconded* the motion.

Discussion and Questions

- Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, clarified why this section was not included on the Consent Agenda due to it not containing APCO in the title of the Policy Manual Section.

Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, made a *motion to amend* Policy Manual 13.3 to include APCO in the title of the Section. Mary Messamore, Kansas Chapter, *seconded* the amendment. A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and amendment *carried*.

A verbal vote was taken on the original motion as amended with no opposition and the *motion carried*.

Regional Representative Discussion

There was brief discussion around obtaining formal approval from an employer if an Executive Council Member wanted to serve as a Regional Representative. The Board explained this requirement was not included because they felt there would not be sufficient time for approval to be obtained from the employer. All of the Regions agreed to caucus after the meeting to vote for their Regional Representatives.

Project LOCATE

Nancy Pollock, Chair of the Project LOCATE, provided a final report on the project. She gave thanks to all of the members and staff that had assisted her with the Project over the years.

Woody Glover, Louisiana Chapter, made a *motion* to formally end Project LOCATE. Terry Hall, Virginia Chapter, *seconded* the amendment. A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and the motion *carried*.

The Board formally thanked and acknowledged Nancy Pollock for all of her time, her efforts, and all of the hard work she put into making Project Locate a great success.

Horizon Awards

Dave Clemons, Access Group Leader, presented information on the proposed adoption of a new award, The Horizon Award. This award serves to recognize the technological advancements of communications center across the nation with the enhancement of voice and data communications. Technology has a direct correlation and impact on operational policies and procedures. The intent of this award is to acknowledge the efforts of communications centers that have proactively assessed and met the technological and operational needs of their center,

employees and service population. This award would take the place of the CALLS Award due to the lack of nominations presented for the last 3 years and how out dated its requirements were.

Gregg Riddle, Illinois Chapter, made a *motion* to approve and formally adopt the Horizon Award. Julie Righter, Nebraska Chapter, *seconded* the amendment. A verbal vote was taken with no opposition and *motion carried*.

Other Business

- Art Rios, New Mexico Chapter, relayed a message from his Chapter – thanked the Board and Staff for their participation and attendance at the Western Regional Conference.
- Pat Hall, Alabama Chapter, requested special thoughts and prayers for Life Member John Wyckoff as he recovers from surgery and prepares for upcoming surgery. John served as Alabama and Mississippi Frequency coordinator for several years.
- Lynne Feller, Ohio Chapter, spoke about the efforts of the Professional Events Development Committee and the work they are involved in to select the programs for the Association Conference and Winter Summit. The Committee will begin taking request and submissions for 2009 Conference papers beginning in February. She also asked that everyone utilize the evaluation processes.
- John Gibson, Arkansas Chapter, thanked the Arkansas Chapter for allowing him to serve on the Council for the past few years. He announced this would be his last conference as the Arkansas Representative and introduced the new Arkansas Chapter Executive Council Representative, Shannon McCuin.

The 2008 Annual Executive Council Meeting recessed at 5:32 pm.