

LOUISIANA NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 19, 2016

LAKE CHARLES, LA

President Richard McGuire called the meeting to order and led members in the prayer and pledge.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Minutes

On a motion made by Deborah Hopkins, seconded by Dennis Darouse, the minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

Financial

Linda Lavergne reported that the current membership is 162 and prior membership was approximately 160. NENA's checking account balance is \$58,290.52, which includes money received for the 2016 Symposium.

On a motion made by Kory Latiolais, seconded by Cody Melancon, the financial report was unanimously approved.

New Business

Committee Reports: Symposium Committee

Ms. Hilburn thanked everyone for attending the Symposium and reminded members that if anyone has any suggestions for location, speakers and topics of discussion for the 2017 Symposium to let her know.

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

Mr. McGuire thanked everyone who completed the Next Generation 9-1-1 survey that was sent out over the last few months. He also thanked Craig Johnson and Kathrine Cargo for managing and putting the survey together.

Mr. McGuire stated that all the data has been compiled but the Next Generation 9-1-1 Sub-Committee has not had a chance to sort through the data yet. He advised all members a report will be given at the next quarterly meeting advising members where the state of Louisiana is at in regards to moving forward with Next Generation 9-1-1.

Mr. McGuire also reported that the FCC is expected to give a ruling by the end of the year in reference to non-initialized cell phones. The goal is that the FCC will allow non-initialized cell phones to be cut off. Other topics of interest that the FCC is currently discussing include issues cited in the January report from the Task Force on Optimal Public Safety Answering Point Architecture (TFOPA) and National Telecommunicator guidelines. Discussion followed.

Other Business

Rob McMullen, NENA National 2nd Vice President and Ron Bloom, Private Sector Director thanked members for allowing them to attend the Symposium.

Rob McMullen briefly spoke to members about the 2016 NENA National Conference which will be held June 11-16 in Indianapolis, Indiana. He also advised that the 2017 conference will be held in San Antonio, Texas and the 2018 conference will be held in Nashville, Tennessee.

Ron Bloom then spoke to members and encouraged them to ask the basic questions about Next Generation 9-1-1. He also asked members to visit the NENA National website for updates on upcoming conferences and events. Discussion followed.

Election of Officers

Richard McGuire reported that the position of Vice President was up for election. Mr. McGuire reminded everyone that you must be a NENA member in order to vote.

The nominating committee of Ralph Ladnier, Kory Latiolais and Sonya Wiley-Gremillion reported that they received two nominations, Kathrine Cargo and Jude Moreau. The floor was opened for any other nominations for the position of Vice President. There being no further nominations, a motion was made by Jack Varnado to close the nominations, and was seconded by Debra Hopkins. The motion was unanimously approved to close the nominations. Ballots were distributed to all NENA members present. Ballots were collected and the votes were counted. Jude Moreau was elected as Vice President.

The swearing in of Vice President Jude Moreau was done by Rob McMullen, NENA National 2nd Vice President.

Linda Lavergne presented outgoing President Richard McGuire a plaque for his outstanding service as President.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Kathrine Cargo to adjourn, seconded by Dennis Darouse. Meeting adjourned.