

LOUISIANA NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 6, 2025

BATON ROUGE, LA

President Phillip Daniels called the meeting to order and welcomed all first-time attendees to the meeting. The prayer and pledge was led by Richard McGuire.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Financial

Linda Lavergne reported that the current membership is 213 and prior membership was approximately 187. NENA's checking account balance is \$78,409.87 which includes money received for the Symposium.

On a motion made by Richard McGuire, seconded by Deborah Hopkins the financial report was unanimously approved.

Minutes

On a motion made by Richard McGuire, seconded by Jade Gabb the minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

New Business

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

Richard McGuire reported that the Louisiana Next Generation 9-1-1 Sub-Committee is currently working with numerous parishes throughout the state to move forward with a statewide ESInet and Core Services project. Mr. McGuire advised the Committee will keep members updated on the progress.

Phillip Daniels informed members that he along with DeSoto Sheriff Jayson Richardson, Richard McGuire, Jade Gabb, Ben Chasteen, Jim Verlander and Brenda Welch recently attended NENA goes to Washington.

Mr. McGuire advised that they were able to meet with Representatives Cleo Fields and Clay Higgins to discuss the 911 Saves Act and funding for the transition to NG 9-1-1 across the country. Mr. McGuire advised that the meetings were very successful and thanked Phillip Daniels, Sheriff Richardson and all those who were instrumental in getting the meetings set up.

Mr. Phillips then presented certificates of appreciation to Richard McGuire, Jade Gabb, Ben Chasteen, Jim Verlander and Brenda Welch for their tireless effort, unwavering support and dedication to 911 professionals across the United States.

Committee Reports: Symposium Committee

Jade Gabb informed members that the 2025 Louisiana APCO/NENA Symposium will be held April 21-23, 2025 at the Golden Nugget in Lake Charles. Mr. Gabb encouraged those who are not yet registered to register and to reach out to vendors that may not be registered yet. Mr. Gabb then informed members that the agenda has been finalized and can be found on the Louisiana APCO website as well as Eventleaf.

Mr. Gabb also informed members that there will be an app available for download that will contain information regarding the Symposium such as the schedule of events, course descriptions, speaker bios, listing of vendors etc. Mr. Gabb advised that a link to download the app will be sent to attendees once they have registered.

Cyber & Other Critical Insurances

Keith Davidson with VFIS of Miss/Lou gave members a brief overview of the different types of insurances/coverages that are available such as property damage, personal property, general liability, flood, portable equipment, automobile, uninsured motorist and cyber liability. Discussion followed.

Other Business

Louisiana Chapter of NENA Webpage

Phillips Daniels informed members that Linda Lavergne received a quote from Amanda Lyon with Social Media Management, LLC to overhaul the Louisiana Chapter of NENA website for a one-time fee of \$1,750.00.

On a motion made by Anthony Summers, seconded by Karl Fasold the quote for the one-time fee of \$1,750.00 to overhaul the Louisiana Chapter of NENA website was unanimously approved.

Mr. Daniels asked that if anyone has ideas or suggestions for the new Louisiana Chapter of NENA website to let a board member know. Discussion followed.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Tommy Mazzone to adjourn, seconded by Deborah Hopkins and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned.