

Montana APCO Chapter Meeting
First Security Bank
670 South 19th Avenue
Bozeman, Montana
Friday, June 13, 2003
Chapter President Bill Jameson presiding

Attendees:

Bill Jameson	MSU Retired	Jody Pierce	Helena Police Dept
Susan Bomstad	Missoula 9-1-1	Bill Rusche	Fort Peck/Roosevelt Co
Roxanna McGinnis	Missoula 9-1-1	Ben Hess	Gallatin County 9-1-1
Anita Moon	State 9-1-1 Program	Bruce Cunningham	Gallatin County 9-1-1
Kimberly Burdick	Chouteau County SO	Peggy Glass	Livingston/Park Co. 9-1-1
Jodie Butler	Chouteau County SO	Dave McPherson	Butte-Silver Bow
Dorothy Gremaux	Lewistown Police		

Anita moved to approve the **minutes** as sent. Jodie seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved. Anita moved to approve the **treasurer's report**. Jodie seconded the motion and the report was unanimously approved.

Training and Standards

Plan for money from the State from the sale of Wal-Mart stock. Roxanna made a motion that the Wal-Mart stock money be used for regional Public Safety Communicator Basic schools. Jody seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. Roxanna will send the plan for regional schools to Anita. Bill Rusche and Jody Pierce will present the plan at the June 25th State 9-1-1 Advisory Council. The plan will include instructor costs and identify instructors.

The Public Communicator Basic Class is scheduled for July 14-18, 2003. Orientation is July 13th.

Bill Rusche, Jody, and Roxanna will meet with Mike Battista and Howard Webb from MLEA to discuss the future of the PSC basic class and review the course planning.

Roxanna made a motion to draft a letter to P.O.S.T. from APCO (and signed by the MT APCO president) requesting **reciprocity between states to challenge the PSC Basic course**. Bill Rusche seconded, and all present were in favor of the motion.

9-1-1 Committee

Bill Rusche repeated his request that we **strive for more APCO members and more participation from the current APCO membership**. Bill challenges each of us to bring a new member to the next meeting. And we must have a conference every year. Jody will present the APCO membership information and application to the Public Safety Communicator Basic students.

Anita confirmed that **State 9-1-1 funds** can be used to pay for APCO membership. She also mentioned that there will be some federal money coming to Montana that will be used to help PSAPs implement E9-1-1 and to

become Phase 2 compliant. There will be money from the Public Safety Foundation of America to do a readiness study, to include phone companies, etc.

The awards for 2003 MT APCO Telecommunicator of the Year were presented at the Montana Sheriffs' and Peace Officers Association banquet on June 13, 2003. **Dave McPherson from Butte-Silver Bow was selected as Telecommunicator of the Year. Claudia Carlson from McCone County Sheriff's Office in Circle was selected as runner-up.** Congratulations to both of you, Dave and Claudia!

MFAC Committee

Bill Jameson stressed the importance of **regenerating the MFAC committee** to mitigate frequency interference. No meeting today.

Old Business

Jenny Hansen requested reimbursement to the State of Montana for her **expenses at the last two Executive Council meetings**. She said she waived reimbursement from the 2002 National APCO Conference in Nashville with the thought that the money that MT APCO donated to the Montana Winter Weekend Getaway was in lieu of reimbursement to the Nashville conference. Since we didn't have the Montana Winter Weekend Getaway, she requests reimbursement for the 2002 National APCO Conference expenses. Jodie moved: Upon receipt of detailed expenses and receipts for each trip, reasonable expenses will be reimbursed to the State of Montana. The Executive Committee will determine reasonable expenses. Kim seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jodie also made a motion to **return the donations for the Montana Winter Weekend Getaway**, since we were unable to hold it at the beginning of this year and really don't have the extra money to donate from APCO. Roxanna seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Jodie discovered that there is a **statewide mutual aid agreement for dispatchers**. She suggested we could keep a database (possibly in DES?) for dispatchers wanting to work in other PSAPS and dispatch situations. Bill Jameson referred this subject to the 9-1-1 Committee for further discussion and possible implementation.

By Law Changes- Committee includes Bill Jameson, Dan Hawkins, Anita and Susan. Bill wrote up the by-laws to change the election procedure to stagger election of officers to maintain some continuity in leadership. Susan will send out the changes to the chapter members for a vote.

New Business

Installation of officers. Bill Jameson installed the new officers. Bill Rusche is President, Kathy Lasky is Vice President but was not present for the oath of office. Susan Bomstad is Secretary/Treasurer and Jody Pierce is Executive Council Representative.

Bill Jameson moved that Montana APCO pay Jody and Bill Rusche's **expenses for the National APCO Conference in Indianapolis**. Ben Hess seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Jenny Hansen set up a **list serve for all Montana APCO members**. Susan will learn how to use the list serve and maintain it.

Future Montana APCO Chapter meetings:

**September 11, 2003. Fort Benton- place to be announced. Committee meetings begin at 9:30 AM
General chapter meeting at 11 AM**

**December 11, 2003. Missoula- place to be announced. Committee meetings begin at 9:30 AM
General chapter meeting at 11 AM**