



FLORIDA NENA

Friday, March 18, 2022 @ 9:00 AM EST

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

ROLL CALL

Voting members in attendance: Daniel Carroll, Sandi Chernoff, Michelle Clark, Dan Koenig, Justin Koval, Ira Pyles, Daryl Recker, Jacob Sauer, Jessica Skowronski

Voting members not in attendance: JC Meyer

Committee Chair/Advisory in attendance: Priscilla Hinckle, Susan Nelson, Linda Woloski

NENA Rep in attendance: Cassie Lowery

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approve minutes from February 18th meeting

- Ira motion to accept the Board Meeting minutes. Dan K. second, and the motion passed unanimously.

2. 9-1-1 Goes to Tallahassee/Stakeholder Awareness (Dan K.):

- All our efforts for reclassification this year were unsuccessful. APCO, NENA, and FL911CA will be meeting again to work on a plan for the next legislative session. We're starting up early this year around April or May.
- We have reached out to Florida Sheriff's Association. The best we can get from the organization is that they will not block it. Biggest hurdle this year were the Corrections Officers, we were not able to add Telecommunicators. Trying to reach out to the Police Chief Association before their summer conference or during the events.
- Jake: we had in-person meetings in Washington with Representative Steube, and Senator Marco Rubio. Steube did not think it will go through because we needed to focus our efforts on the democrats since they're in charge of the house. I have a meeting with Congressman Vern Buchanan back here at home who will soon be the chair of the house ways and means committee.

3. Legislative Updates (Dan K.):

- 911 SAVES Act

HR 2351 currently has 102 co-sponsors. We usually build up additional co-sponsors after 911 Goes to Washington. The Representatives from Florida that have co-sponsored the Bill are Rep. Alcee Hastings (deceased), Rep. John Rutherford, Rep. Stephanie Murphy, Rep. Al Lawson Jr., Rep. Frederica Wilson, and Rep. Bill Posey. A meeting has been set for the Rep. that is seated in the

20th District to gain support. We need members to contact their U.S. Representatives if they have not co-sponsored. The companion bill on the Senate side, S.1175, has 10 Co-sponsors.

- **Florida Reclassification**

The Bills specifically related to reclassification of 911 PSTs did not gain any traction. CS/HB 689 - Workers' Compensation Benefits for Posttraumatic Stress Disorders, addressed Corrections employees. We attempted to get 911 PSTs added into the language. They would not add 911 PSTs due to it being an indeterminate amount.

4. Records Retention SOP Review (Jake)

- Ira: made updates to the SOP with suggestive wording. It should be noted to be a policy, not procedure.
- Recommend that we add "Executive Board" to meeting minutes permanent records, so we're not required to maintain other meeting minutes. Dan K: will check requirement for email retention. Ira: we need to know the retention for voting ballots via email.
- Emails: recommend retention to be obsolete, superseded, or administrative value is lost (OSA).
- Dan K: will check to see if there is a retention policy within the website. Will make the suggestive changes, and reference the bylaws, and send back out to everybody.

5. Bylaws Addition for President's Award (Jake)

- One of the county members who is running for 2nd Vice President is sending me a copy of their bylaws. Will have that for the next meeting.

6. Virtual Meeting Platform Update (Jake)

- Reviewed Webex as well as Zoom. Webex is getting into the private non-for-profit business as a platform much like Zoom, but they're not there yet with the pricing. Zoom already has that pricing. Dan C: I've been using Teams since the COVID pandemic started and haven't had any problems with it. Not sure if it meets our specifications. Jakes: Teams offers a discount for educational sessions but gets very expensive for platforms with breakouts like regional meetings and allowing more than (20) people to join. Zoom has a platform that allows up to (50) members to join a call at a time, and breakout sessions. The cost was about \$100 yearly. Webex does not have pricing for a 501.c.3 yet. Will get a firm pricing from Webex and Zoom.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Award Nominations

- Susan: last year's awards that we did not award were the Service Excellence and the Pat Welte ENP Scholarship. We only had one nomination for each award. We need to notify each winner to inform them that we will give them out during the April conference at the Chapter Meeting. Dan K. will notify the winners. Linda: ENP scholarship is a certificate. Dan K: the Exceptional award is a FL NENA pen set.

- Sandi: we do not compensate for the winners to attend the conference. We can look at it case by case. Dan K: will notify the winners.
- Dan K: motion to award the ENP Scholarship to Cindy Bresse from Sarasota Sheriff's Office and the Exceptional Service Award to Myrnell Worges from Hernando County Sheriff's Office. Ira second, and the motion passed unanimously.

2. FL NENA Support of Candidates Running for NENA Offices

- Ira: we need a formal process to consider supporting and candidates. Last year, the candidate was present when a motion was made to support them, and there were no previous discussions. Is it a board or membership decision? Jake: other chapters allow the candidates to attend a meeting and give a speech. The executive board decides after that. Dan K. reached out to Cassie from the Southeast Region and Aron from the Northeast Region. The executive board votes for the endorsed. There are no written policies or guidelines.
- Cassie advised according to statistics most ballots are cast during the first two weeks of voting.
- Dan K: I would support Melanie Neal. She reached out to us and spoke to us at our November virtual meeting. She has been pushing towards the Telecommunicator's Reclassification, and dispatcher wellness, and in tune with NENA's direction right now. Jake: we are the 3rd largest state in the nation. We should take a larger role in NENA.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Treasurer (Sandi):

- Checking \$30,921.32
- Conference \$67,910.62
- Debit \$9,016.90
- Total \$107,848.84
- 2021 audit needs to be done during the conference. I will contact Emily at Embassy Suites to get a room. We need two board members and two non-board members to complete the audit.

2. Conference Committee (Kristine):

- Sandi: we currently have (50) registered, (12) are vendors. We printed up lunch tickets for those that checked "Yes" for lunch. Those that did not, lunch is on their own.
- Second deposit (\$4k) was paid yesterday to Embassy Suites.
- Susan N: post conference course has (32) registrants. Dan K: note on the website that the post conference class is full. All that register after March 18th will be on a waiting list.
- Discussion took place regarding board member's polo shirts, t-shirts for FL members attending the conference, and another type of matching shirts for FL members attending the National NENA Conference. If any board members need updated polo shirts, please send Sandi your size.

Dan K: motion for the purchase of polo shirts for the board members, t-shirts for all FL members attending the Spring Conference, and FL members attending the National NENA Conference. Dan C. second and the motion passed unanimously.

- Greg received 500 beach bags free of cost for the upcoming conference/training session. The bag zips up on each side and then unzips to a beach mat. I need to know the logistics, and who will need them, when, and where. Sandi: we would need the bags on that Monday, April 11th.

3. Media Committee (Susan N):

- Need picture of board swear-in to post on the FL NENA website. Jake will also provide pictures from NENA Goes to Washington. Daniel will send out the Google folder link to share pictures there.

4. Education Committee (Judith):

- Jake: we need to start officering other training sessions in addition to GIS/Database. Other training can be on Center Manager Leadership and Recruiting and Retention. Will send an email to Judith to pricing on these types of classes.

5. Sunshine Committee (Linda):

- For the Spring Educational Symposium, I would like to do a 50/50 raffle. \$1 per ticket or \$5 for (6) tickets to start funds for the committee instead of NENA funds. Looking to get some gift baskets donated for a silent auction during the Fall Conference. Will send something out for support and volunteers in the newsletter. Sandi will reach out to the accountant to see if we need a separate account to track these funds.

6. Database Committee (Ira):

- Last month was review of NENA standard. This meeting will be a FLEAP meeting, and results from the survey. Susan posted the agenda on the spring conference meeting.

7. Commercial Advisor Report (Priscilla):

- No updates.

8. National NENA Report (Cassie):

- 9-1-1 Goes to Washington

The event has been a success this year. We do not have official numbers yet but attendance was reported to be in line with previous years. Our new location here at The Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City in Arlington, VA turned out to be a great location. We are contracted to return next year.

- Reached out to a local staffer for assistance in scheduling the appointment. Staff in DC contacted Cassie and scheduled an in-person meeting with a congressman.

- **Membership**

662 FL Chapter NENA members. The board recently voted on two standards and approved the NENA TCPR Standard document and the NENA Legacy Selective Router Gateway Standard document. Appropriate forms will be submitted to ANSI for process and approvals. Once confirmation is received from ANSI an announcement will be made in an email blast, and both documents will be posted to the NENA website.

- **The NENA 2022 Conference & Expo**

June 11-16 in Louisville, KY. Registration and housing recently opened. NENA Members who register online and pay by credit card at the time of registration between now and March 21 automatically save more than \$200 off On-Site registration pricing - no promo code necessary. Special members only sale also includes discounts on the pre-conference course or one of the three multi-day training programs.

- Thursday, June 16th we will offer two free workshops – ENP Exam Prep Bootcamp from 8am - 1pm. Chapter Leadership Workshop from 9am-12pm. Both are included in the price of registration but will require that you indicate your intent to attend at the time of registration.

- **Scholarships & Awards**

Nomination window for the Hall of Fame and William E. Stanton Award will remain open until March 31st.

- Nomination window for the Gold Line Telecommunicator Scholarship and William McMurray Scholarship will remain open until March 31st.

- **Association Business**

Voting for NENA's 2022-23 Board of Directors opened on Tuesday. You should have received an email ballot link.

9. Bylaws Committee (Dan K):

- No updates.

10. Nominations Committee (Dan K):

- Will get together with regional VPs to start planning for the November elections.

REGION REPORTS

1. CEFA (Ira)

- The last meeting was on March 10th at Polk County. It was well attended via joinme and in-person. Attendees appreciated the virtual format.

2. NOFA (Michelle)

- Last meeting was on Feb 24th. Outstanding attendance, (10) of the (20) coordinators were there in-person. No meeting in June. Next meeting is in September.

3. SOFA (Justin)

- Last meeting was this past Wednesday. Also had it on the E911 Board meeting. Good turnout. A couple of vendors approached me regarding the scheduling.

4. WEFA (Daniel)

- March 9th also had virtual on Teams. Good turnout on both.

ADJOURN: Next meeting April 12th @ 4:30 pm. Sandi motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dan C. second. Meeting adjourned by Jake at 1032 am.