FLORIDA NENA

Friday, July 15, 2022 @ 9:00 AM EST
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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

ROLL CALL
Voting members in attendance: Dan Carroll, Dan Koenig, Justin Koval, Ira Pyles, Daryl Recker, Jessica Skowronski

Voting members not in attendance: Sandi Chernoff, Michelle Clark, JC Meyer, Jacob Sauer

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

NENA Rep in attendance: Cassie Lowery

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Approve minutes from May 20th meeting**
   - Ira motion to accept the Board Meeting minutes. Daniel second, and the motion passed unanimously.

2. **Legislative Updates (Jake/Dan K)**
   - The 911 Saves Act is still live at the National level. We have (118) cosponsors. Moving forward on the state level. There were some meetings with the (3) organizations; NENA, APCO, and the 911 Coordinators Association. We need a republican representative that will sponsor the bill. Will be reaching out to Justin, Sandy, and Bob Finney from Collier County, and Greg Holcomb from Lake County because they're going to be the House and Senate precedence for the representatives in those areas.
   - Yesterday we met with Citrus County, Sheriff Prendergast to explain the bill because they still associate this with FRS and Special Risk. At this point, it's just classification only.
   - One of the statutes for peer support, dispatchers are listed with the first responders.
   - Will be posting an update within the next week to the members of the organizations on where we stand with this, and some of the help that we're looking for.
   - We have gained support from the EMS Advisory Council (EMSAC) for reclassification and PST curriculum. Working with the 911 Board Chairman, Matt Matney who is also on the EMSAC council.
   - Committee sessions start in October.
   - There is a meeting with an accreditation group from DOH next week, the MSAG Virtual Communications Meeting Committee to review the official rules for certification.

3. **Bylaws Addition for President's Award (Jake)**
   - N/A

4. **Travel SOP (Ira)**
   - There were more than just grammatical changes to the SOP. Will create another draft with suggestions to review at our next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Lobbyist Agreement**
   - Dan K: Richard Pinsky has been a friend of 911 for several years; since mid-2000's. He was instrumental and assisted us with the Public Safety Telecommunicator certification, and several other initiatives with us. He has volunteered in the past and puts in a lot of time for us. He has already helped us this year in drafting the legislative plan. The proper thing to do is pay him, and it would make him more accountable to us. We're looking at retaining him again for the up-coming legislative session for work to begin now and run through next June. The price would be $2k from each organization for the legislation. This does not come close to our percentage for lobbying fees, so it doesn't affect our 501(c)(3).
   - An official agreement is forthcoming. Jessica will forward a "Lobbyist Engagement Letter" that Cassie provided to review the language and share with APCO and the 911 Coordinators Association.
   - Dan C. withdrew motion to pay $2k to Richard Pinsky from Ackerman & Associates for his assistance with the Public Safety reclassification in Florida. Will work on agreement first.

2. **Records Retention, Logistics, and Storage**
   - Dan K: JC was following-up on resources for storage.
   - Susan will look into the storage on our website. Susan: Sandi may have to look into this also; there may be something required with our non-profit status or with our audit.

3. **Nominations Chair-should this be changed to Dan K until after the conference? (Dan K)**
   - Dan K. accepted Chair.

4. **Nominations for 2nd VP should be done before August 6th**
   - Dan K. is working with Susan N. and Justin to get the nominations out. We have the 2nd Vice President, Treasurer, and Regional VP's. Nominations will be going until August 9th. Voting begins September 28th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Treasurer (Sandi):**
   - Sandi N/A
   - Jessica: Sandi submitted the 1st and 2nd financial quarterly reports last week.

2. **Conference Committee (Kristine):**
   - Susan N: conference calls start next week. First order of business is to get registration and vendor information up on the website and start doing email blasts. Will be working with Justin and Daniel.
   - Will post nominations information on the website and put together the ballot for the voting.

3. **Media Committee (Susan N):**
   - N/A

4. **Education Committee (Judith):**
   - N/A

5. **Sunshine Committee (Linda):**
   - N/A

6. **Database Committee (Ira):**
   - We had the GIS Subgroup meeting last month with a FLEAP session. We came up with some topics of discussion from the addressing perspective. The next GIS meeting is July 28th. The topic is to review NENA's GIS Stewardship documents.
   - Working with the Conference Committee to set-up an agenda for the Database meeting during the conference.

7. **Commercial Advisor Report (Priscilla):**
   - No updates.

8. **National NENA Report (Cassie):**
   - Spoke to another group from Tennessee regarding a lobbyist. They thought the requirements in Tennessee vs. Florida laws on lobbyists are different so they thought that the language in their agreement would not necessarily be helpful for us to use. I verified that NENA does not have any documentation for a lobbyist because the law is varied widely, and the pay rate would vary significantly across the state. Brian is willing to speak to anyone, and he recommended we reach out to CALNENA because they have a lobbyist. He believes their lobbyist is a sole source practitioner, however, you can find information on lobbyist through a law firm.
   - We do not have a date for NG911 Standards and Best Practices. Will probably come sometime in the summer once they complete their negotiations for the contract.

- 911 Goes to Washington is set for February 26-March 1st. Returning to the Ritz Carlton in Pentagon City, Arlington Virginia.
- 2023 Conference will be June 17-22nd at the Gaylord Texan in Grapevine, TX just outside of Dallas. Laurie was sworn in as the new NENA President. We also welcomed Melanie Jones as the Second VP.
- Education: NENA recently launched a Navigating Adversity self-care online Course. The board is currently working with NENA staff to schedule a date so we can attend it and share with any perspective students that might want to attend. The course was created by a Crisis Intervention Psychologist. It's been validated and peer reviewed at academic levels. Find out more information at nena.org/navigatingadversity page.
- Wellness: NENA has launched a new webpage-nena.org/resiliency-resources page. There's information there to share with your staff. Working to get the NENA Health Huddle back on schedule. If you have any ideas, feel free to reach out to the committee or Cassie. Susan N. joined to speak about Yoga. She also led Chair Yoga at a past conference meeting. In March, NENA also launched "The Standard for Protecting the Wellbeing of 911 Professionals". That was an update of "The Standard on Acute Traumatic and Chronic Stress Management". We also have the Peer Support Team Development Implementation and Oversight document available on the standards page. Additional information can be found on the nena.orgcontinuum page.
- NENA has recognized the staffing crisis that everyone is dealing with right now. In June, NENA partnered with Virtual Academy and offered to film some commercials. As soon as they're available NENA will send an email for PSAPs to download and use them free of charge. NENA is working to form a workgroup to create resources to assist with staffing crisis. If anybody wants to join that workgroup, reach out to April Heinze at NENA.

9. **Bylaws Committee (Dan K):**
   - N/A

10. **Nominations Committee (Dan K):**
    - Refer to New Business, item (4)

REGION REPORTS

1. **CEFA (Ira)**
   - Planning our next meeting for September. Need to coordinate dates with other Regional VPs for next meetings. Have received feedback from the vendor's perspective to go back to our format of two back-to-back meetings in one week, and two meetings the next week.

2. **NOFA (Michelle)**
   - N/A

3. **SOFA (Justin)**
   - We talked about training in the meetings. Would like to reach out to local coordinators to see what kind of training is needed. Possibly have FL NENA fund regional classes to reenergize better member involvement.
   - Susan: we've talked about training in the past to use the money we have in our funds. It needs to be used to benefit our members. It would be beneficial if each Regional VP can get information from the members.

4. **WEFA (Daniel)**
   - Next meeting is in September. Ira: we need to arrange meetings around the FL 911 Board meeting.

ADJOURN: Next meeting August 19th @ 9:00 am. Dan K. motioned to adjourn the meeting. Justin second. Meeting adjourned by Jake at 0957 am.