



FLORIDA NENA

Friday, September 19, 2025 @ 9:00 AM EST

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Justin Koval

Voting members in attendance: Sandi Chernoff, Amber Kavanagh, Miranda Kay, Stephen Kennedy, Justin Koval, Jackie Martin, Daryl Recker, Jessica Skowronski, Wanda Vega

Voting members not in attendance: Lesil Taylor

Committee Chair/Advisory in attendance: Laurie Anderson, Priscilla Creamer, Dan Koenig, Ira Pyles, Judith Weshinsky-Price

NENA Rep in attendance: Nick LaMontia, Cassie Lowery

OLD BUSINESS

1. Approve minutes from August 15th Board meeting.

- Daryl motion to accept the Board meeting minutes. Miranda second and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Review Draft Update of FL NENA Communications Policy

- Members considered logo usage guidelines, including background transparency and accessibility for diverse users, and standardized font.

3. Online Meeting Platforms such as Webex/Teams Availability to Committees

- Jenn was not available. Justin will follow-up with her and Sandi on the renewals. Will review the bylaws regarding what the president can spend and vote via email.

4. New FL NENA Website Platforms (Expectations/Finance Availability)

- Stephen discussed a couple options that may cost \$1200-\$2000 annually depending on features we want added.
- Reviewed an example of the WordPress site that costs \$25/monthly. User friendly and you can add multiple modules. It has been around for many years with at least 40% of websites running on WordPress. Provides powerful tools that help build knowledge over time that everyone can access. Community engagement with conversations that can be archived for historical records and references.
- The Circle platform was highly recommended. Community driven and is very similar to WordPress but modern. You can create a standard website, host your information, upcoming items, and customizable design. Curriculum and coursework can be added to engage members. It allows additional features such as gamification, and has a mobile app. Stephen will follow-up with interested members to review demos.

5. Renaming of Alyssa's Alert Committee

- Members discussed several suggestions and agreed with Justin to rename the committee to Emerging Technology Special Committee (ETSC).

6. Lobbyist

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lobbyist Allowable Expense & Form 5768 Election/Revocation

- A meeting was held last week with our accountant. He advised 5% of our expenditure is a safe place to consider our budgeting. If we submit Form 5768 Election/Revocation, it will allow us to spend 20% of our expenditure towards a lobbyist. Our accountant averaged our expenditure over the last three years. Based on that average, we were able to spend \$7000.
- We are cautioned to not go over that amount to avoid any penalties or lose our 501(c)(3) status. In addition, blast emails including public communication about legislation, reflecting a viewpoint on it and including a call to action is considered grassroots lobbying and can affect total expenses.
- Concerns for equal contributions from each organization were discussed as the Florida 911 Coordinators Association may not be able to commit financially. Dan will coordinate a meeting with FL911CA and FL APCO.
- There may be a need to revise the MOU for future commitments on lobbyists.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Treasurer (Sandi)

- Checking: \$7,543.31
- Conference: \$64,209.58
- Debit: \$7,512.63
- Total: \$79,265.19

2. Conference (Fran)

- Priscilla advised we have a lack of sponsorship this year. Vendors are not registering as they have in the past. Several emails were sent and were undelivered due to recipients no longer working for the company anymore. Miranda will send a registrant list to Priscilla.
- Further discussion ensued to possibly change the longer conference from Fall to Spring in 2027 or move to another timeframe to not be in competition with other conferences or holidays. We may get more sponsors for Spring than Fall.

3. Media (Jennifer)

- N/A

4. Education (Judith/Stacy)

- N/A

5. Public Education (Erika)

- N/A

6. Sunshine (Linda)

- N/A

7. Database (Ira)

- Working to get the database, GIS subgroup, and FLEAP active again.
- Working with presenters and other resources to revise Bootcamp training to provide emphasis on NG911 and less on legacy. Considering a one-day course instead of one and a half.

8. Commercial Advisor Report (Priscilla)

- Concerns raised about sponsorship levels and registration

9. National NENA Report (Nick)

- The senate passed the “Enhancing First Response Act”. We need the companion bill from the House.
- Joint Committee Meeting (JCM) in Overland Park, KA in-person and virtual, October 7-9th
- Standards & Best Practices Conference in New Orleans, LA on January 11-14th
- Critical Issue Forum January 15-16th with focus on GIS 3D location and indoor mapping
- 911 Goes to Washington at Ritz-Carlton Pentagon City, Arlington VA, February 22-25th
- NENA Annual Conference at Columbus, Ohio June 27th – July 2, 2026. Call for papers will open at the end of this month.
- Board elections opened on the 2nd and will run until October 2nd. Nominations for 2nd VP, Southeastern & Western Regional Director, and Private Sector Director.

10. Bylaws Committee (Dan K)

- No updates.

11. Legislative Committee (Dan K)

- No updates.

12. Nominations Committee (Daryl)

- An email was sent for nominations for chapter offices as well as three awards: ENP Scholarship, Exceptional Service in 911, and Jim Martin. We have received one nomination for the Jim Martin and one for Exceptional Service in 911 awards. Will send reminder emails. Currently, there are no nominations for chapter offices.
- Justin will ask Dan to send something out on social media.

13. Alyssa’s Alert (Jackie)

- No updates.

REGION REPORTS

1. CEFA (Miranda)

- Meeting is scheduled for next Thursday, September 25th, hosted at Central Square's headquarters. Last month, Judith hosted a meeting with the new NENA CEO (John) to tour the PSAP. He has expressed an interest in attending our meetings.

2. NOFA (Wanda)

- Meeting was held on September 3rd in Baker County. There were approximately 30 attendees. Already have presenters. Informed them of the open positions and nominations.
- We have mapped out locations for meetings next year.

3. SOFA (Amber)

- Meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday, September 24th at Martin County Sheriff's Office. Carbyne will be sponsoring.

4. WEFA (Lesil)

- N/A

Other Discussions

- Justin: we just had our first INTD class since the last time over 7-10yrs in the State of Florida. There were 24 students. Will be offering more classes throughout the state.
- Wanda: St. Johns will be hosting the "Demystifying NG911" class on November 13-14th. Free to participants.

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