

## WI-NENA CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2009 – 10:00 a.m.

Stevens Point, WI

**Call to order:** Chapter President, LeAnn Krieg at 10:10

**Roll Call:**

LeAnn Krieg, Mark Handlin, Kelly Zenz, Lynn Wallace and Julie Cipra

**Approve Minutes of the last Regular Meeting:** Prior meeting was cancelled and Telecommunicator awards given at APCO Conference–no minutes.

**Public Comment:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** Lynn reported that we have \$74,165.45 in checking and no outstanding bills.

**2009 Conference:** Sessions are full, 22 registrations so far but it's early. Web site is continually updated and we have some new vendors for this year.

**SSMG:** They will be picking a vendor next month. Five channels of VHF Trunking with 95% coverage on the mobile side-will become the State Patrol system. If we don't have a VHF radio or dual band we're out of luck. They are hoping some counties can be upgraded with HS dollars. Will have to have at least one access point in each County.

**IC-Narrowbanding:** Planning coordination will be the issue. Ex, if three counties change to narrowbanding but others don't it will be an issue. They'll end up reprogramming radios 3 or 4 times. Can't switch all the channels at once. Pagers would be one time. You lose coverage when switching to narrowbanding so some may need new towers? Average loss estimate is 25%. Motorola has a new linear repeater that says no loss but costs \$20,000 each.

**SIEC is now IC.** Working on dispatch standards that will be coming out. It was noted that the mutual aid frequency group included APCO but not NENA.

**WI-TERT:**

LeAnn was relaying information for Connie Catterall of WI State Patrol. They had their first deployment to the Patrick Cudahy fire. Question about who pays for this. If it's FEMA you may be reimbursed but otherwise it is mutual aid so an individual's home county pays – not the center/location of the incident. Workman's comp would be covered under your home agency as well. OJA grant is paying for team member training on September 14 & 15 at State Patrol. LeAnn will send a letter to National Tert in support of WI-Tert.

Adjourned

*Julie M Cipra*

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