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MINUTES

CHAPTER MEETING

MAY 19, 2011

THE HILTON GARDEN INN & CONFERENCE CENTER
12603 MARIPOSA ROAD
VICTORVILLE, CA

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Jack Daniel, The Jack Daniel Company
Early Bird Sponsor: Harris Corporation, Hi-Desert Communications
Secretary's Report: Minutes for the April meeting are posted on the CPRA web site
Treasurer's Report: See comments
Program: "Financing Your Land Mobile Radio System & Project Funding"
Presenters: Harris Corporation Team
Attendance: 47

AGENDA

Greeting – Ken Shearen. President Ken opened the chapter meeting at 10:15 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the May CPRA meeting. Mike Rowles led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ken thanked Harris Corporation and Hi-Desert Communications for sponsoring the Early Bird refreshments. He also thanked Harris Corporation for their ongoing support of CPRA.

Introductions - All. New members were welcomed. Everyone in attendance was asked to introduce themselves.

Membership Report – Tim Trager. Tim reported that we have 417 members. This includes new members: Patrick Adams, Great Call Inc.-Director of Safety, and Doug Cahhal, Oaisys – Western Pacific Regional Sales Manager.

Senior Member Nomination. Gary G. reviewed the criteria for APCO Senior Member status. He indicated Ken Mann was fully qualified. Motion made to forward to APCO Ken's nomination. Carried. The chapter members applauded Ken for his many contributions to CPRA and APCO.

Meeting Program Review – Adriana Spirescu. Adriana reviewed the upcoming schedule for meetings. It was noted that details for the 2011 schedules are on the website. Adriana commented that the next meeting is planned for June 16th in Santa Fe Springs at Talley Corporation.

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Treasurer's Report – John Wright.

Telecommunicator Awards Banquet. John reported that the banquet was a big success. There were 243 attendees. He expressed sincere thanks to the many sponsors of the banquet. The financial summary indicated that the banquet was completed under budget in the amount of \$1,512.26.

Leadership Recognition. President Ken recognized Courtney Allison and the banquet committee for their superb work. They were given a round of applause for conducting such a successful event.

Monthly Financial Report. John provided a report of income and expenses for the previous month. He stated that total income for the month was \$5,067.65 and the total expenditures were \$16,448.31. Income included meeting registrations, Telecommunicator's Banquet registrations and sponsorships. Expenses included the April luncheon, Telecommunicator's Banquet expenses, and printing costs for the CommLink.

Executive Council – Jim Acosta. Jim summarized topics pertinent to recent Executive Council meetings.

APCO Branding & Logo. Jim commented about recent discussions concerning changes to the logo. He noted that there was more work to be done.

APCO Public Safety Broadband Summit & Expo. This was the first annual event. Industry and other professional leaders presented panels on the creation, build-out, and sustaining a nationwide interoperable, public safety broadband network.

D Block Legislation Update. The list of co-sponsors for S.28 Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act now includes ten senators.

National Membership. Jim stated that the APCO membership stood at 12,379.

APCO 77th Annual Conference & Exposition Registration. The conference will be in Philadelphia August 7 – 10, 2011. Registration is open. Jim commented that 84% of the exhibits hall had been sold.

Frequency Coordinator Updates – Gary Gray. The following reports were provided:

CalSIEC SPA. It was noted that the next Southern Planning Area (SPA) meeting will be held on July 13th in Arcadia.

D Block Frequency Allocation. Dave Buchanan reported on recent developments with allocation of the D Block. He indicated that there was forward motion, but congressional actions are still required.

Narrowbanding. Dave emphasized the importance of organizations completing narrowbanding by Jan 1, 2013.

NPSTC. Dave discussed a number of items from the standpoint of the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC).

- TETRA. Dave noted that the current NPSTC position is that this technology should not be allowed to market in the public safety arena due to impacts on interoperability.

-GPS Interference Working Group. Dave reported on frequency interference with GPS signaling caused by LightSquared technologies. He indicated that a NPSTC GPS Interference Working Group had been formed and it would provide representation to the LightSquared/GPS Council Technical Working Group. Dave noted that further reports would be forthcoming on this critical issue.

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NPSTC. (cont.)

-BDA Interference in the 800 MHz Band. Dave commented that NPTC would be presenting comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM).

Intrinsically Safe Radios. Dave indicated potential problems related to possible changes in the technical standards associated with intrinsically safe radios.

Rebanding/Mexico Treaty. Dave commented about recent meetings that were held with Mexico. He noted that there appears to be progress, but no date has been established to begin rebanding in Region 5.

Chapter Commercial Advisory Member – Jack Daniel. Jack invited each of the Commercial Members in attendance to do a self introduction and give a brief comment about their respective products and services.

Bi-Directional Amplifiers (BDAs). Greg Glenn, Tri-Power commented about the importance of making inputs to the FCC regarding standards pertinent to the use of BDAs.

Program – Harris Corporation. Matt Zwarkowski, Hi-Desert Communications introduced the program to be presented by Harris Corporation. The title of the program was “Financing Your Land Mobile Radio System and Project Financing.” The Harris team composed of Rick Polehonka, Lee Connor, Eddy Clemente, and Russell Munson provided an interesting presentation regarding Harris Corporation, project grant funding, equipment lease options, and other helpful information. President Ken extended a big “thank you” to Harris and Hi-Desert Communications for the excellent program and meeting support.

NOTE: This presentation is archived on the CPRA website for general use by all concerned. Please go to: www.cpra.org >Resource Center > Presentation Archives (chronological listing)

Meeting Adjourned. Ken thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Notes for the Record.

Gary Gray convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting after lunch. Ongoing and new frequency requests were then presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Rowles
Secretary