



Texas Chapter of the Association of Public Safety Officials International

Texas APCO Meeting Minutes

September 14th, 2023 1:00 pm

Zoom

President: Shantelle Oliver
President Elect: Tamara Bell
1st Vice President: Kristi Fogleman
2nd Vice President: Ayanna Hingle
Treasurer: Lauren Boozer
Secretary: Amanda "Mandi" Jones
Executive Council: Jeremy Hill
CCAM 1: Dustin Alexander
CCAM 2: Shawn Barnes
Immediate Past President: Roderick Jackson

Present: Shantelle Oliver, Kristi Fogleman, Ayanna Hingle, Lauren Boozer, Jeremy Hill, Roderick Jackson, Tamara Bell, Amanda Jones, Shawn Barnes, Dustin Alexander, Kristi Fogleman

Call to Order

President Shantelle Oliver called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

Visitor

Scott Fisher with Hexagon was scheduled to attend, but he had technical difficulties.

Minutes

Roderick made a motion to approve the July 20th minutes. Tamara seconded.
Tamara made motion to approve the August 8th minutes. Jeremy seconded.



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Treasurer's Report

Lauren reported budget has not changed much. The Fall Symposium funds are going in and out. Nothing has been received from Carbyne. Shawn though Carbyne sponsored a tier 3 at \$1500 for the Fall Symposium. Jeremy thought Evans was going to sponsor something. Roderick has set up a meeting for the conference budget. Jeremy recommended site visits be put in the conference budget instead of the two individual TXAPCO and TXNENA board budgets. Jeremy made a motion for the Texas Public Safety Conference proceeds to be used to fund site visits. Lauren seconded the motion. The current MOU needs to be modified when the TXAPCO board and TXNENA board meet next.

Lauren will work on the December – January 2024 budget for next meeting.

TERT requests have come in from Jason Smith. He will be traveling to Amarillo, San Antonio, and Lufkin to instruct TERT training. The current budget allows \$500 for TERT. The requested amount from TERT was more than \$500. The current MOU says both TXNENA and TXAPCO will match \$500 to equal \$1,000. Shantelle reached out to the TXNENA President, Pam Frisk. Pam advised TXNENA has \$3500 budgeted for TERT. Shantelle will respond to Jason that we only have \$500. That's what TXAPCO budgets for.

Old Business

Regina Cochran (update) \$600 was received on July 25th. Nothing else has come in. Lauren is not sure what the exact payment is supposed to be.

Fall Symposium (update): We need people to book hotel rooms.

-TXAPCO Board workshop will be on October 14th from 1p-4p. A TXAPCO Board meeting will provide committee updates.

-Mandi will give a presentation on the MOD Squad and Totes of Love.

-Communications committee will send invitations to the Fall Symposium to surrounding states- OK, and LA, Arkansas, and the gulf coast region.

Bylaws: The secretary address will be removed. Instead, the bylaws will read to check the website for current contact information. Mandi will send out the bylaws again with the change.

Policy manual: Shantelle updated the policy manual to include the GIS award and rideshare in the travel section. Mandi needs to post the policy manual on PS Connect. Kristy made a motion to approve the changes. Tamara seconded it.

A recommendation was submitted to add the word "present" at the end of the statement "the voting membership of the body." So it would read, "Changes to Policy shall require at least two-



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thirds approval of the voting membership of the body present". Tamara, recommended to leave as is. The board agreed.

New business

Spring conference-A meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, Sept 15th. Kristi reports there has not been movement with the hotel budget issues from the last conference. She met with David Townsend in July. Roderick will be co-chair of conference. Tish had to step down. Mandi -social media is up and running

Committee Reports

Communications: Mandi reported the Communications Committee has all social media platforms up and running. Content has been shared from the Training Committee. Send information to be posted to Mandi. She will disseminate it to the proper committee members.

Training: Ayanna's committee created professional development content that was sent to the communications committee. They will be pushing the information out via COGS and districts as well. Scholarship information will be shared as those deadlines approach. Sofia Brabham has agreed to chair the training committee.

Legislation: Jeremy has a meeting with the legislative committee coming up on the 26th. There are 10 members with Joe Hanna being co-chair. Tamara asked about HB2660 (Tim's Law) in reference to TCIC/NCIC. Can Jeremy provide further information? Roderick spoke with a DPS representative who advised they are working with their vendor to make sure they can follow HB2660. Right now, they are not capable of following the requirement. Shantelle read the DPS notes from a meeting that said they recommend sending a regional message for a 200-mile radius. Shantelle will share her notes. Tamara suggested TXAPCO put out information on important legislative information that is coming. Jeremy agreed to send important info to Mandi to be shared via the communications committee.

Executive Council: Jeremy met face to face with the gulf coast region. Steve Martini, Jack Varnado, & Paul McAlister are all from that area. Jeremy was voted onto the finance committee. APCO has funds. TXAPCO needs to find an avenue to create revenue. Tamara suggested selling shirts. The board did not think that was a good option.

Historical: Roderick spoke with Heather. She does have historical documents. They're trying to figure out how to get the info to Roderick. Once he receives the info, he will get it posted where it needs to be. He's been working with the historical committee to catalogue everything and uploaded to the APCO International site.



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MOD Squad: The communications committee is in discussions on where/how to utilize the MOD Squad. One of the goal's is to define the MOD Squad. The MOD squad will set up virtual meet and greets with various board members and MOD squad members in the next few months.

RFP (Texas Public Safety Conference): Roderick did site visits to Amarillo and McAllen. Roderick presented both Amarillo and McAllen to the board. McAllen offered a more central location with hotel and event center. Amarillo was more spread out. McAllen's available dates were during spring break. Roderick will reach out to McAllen to see if there are any other dates available. Roderick made a motion to table the discussion until McAllen responds with additional dates. Tamara seconded the motion.

Pro-Chrt: June 30th APCO International ended the Pro-Chrt committee on their level. Shantelle asked TXAPCO felt the need to keep the current state Pro-Chrt committee? Kristi advised her Pro-Chrt committee's goals included items already handled by other committees. Shantelle will notify the current TXAPCO Pro-Chrt committee members that the committee is no longer needed at this time. Kristi suggested folders be created on PS Connect for the committees to put information and updates in. Shantelle will create the folders.

Technical: Steven submitted information reference AI translation and transcription services.

Roderick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tamara seconded the motion.

President Shantelle Oliver adjourned the meeting at 3:10 pm.