

TENNESSEE EMERGENCY NUMBER ASSOCIATION
Executive Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 21, 2009

Pursuant to appropriate notice, and in accordance with organizational by-laws, the Executive Board of the Tennessee Emergency Number Association (TENA) met at the Rutherford County Emergency Communications District Office, Murfreesboro, Tennessee on Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at 9:30 am.

0109-1 Call to Order

Jennifer Estes was absent due to illness so Joe Wilson, 1st Vice President presided and called the meeting to order. Other than President Estes there were no absences. Others in attendance are shown on Attachment 1.

0109-2. Minutes

The motion was made by Rickey McWright to accept the minutes from the November 18, 2008 board meeting previously sent to the Board, and Jamison Peevyhouse made the second. There was unanimous approval by the Board to accept as presented.

0109-3. Financial Report

Ike Lowry, Treasurer, presented the Financial Report. It showed a checking account balance, as of 01-21-09, of \$ 48,114.28 and a CD balance of \$ 99,925.79, for a cash-on-hand balance of \$ 148,040.07. He also advised that due to security issues, he will no longer be distributing the actual bank statements as he has done in the past. The motion was then made by Rickey McWright to approve the financial report and a second made by Jamison Peevyhouse. The Board voted unanimously to approve. Mr. Lowry advised the Board that a request has been made by Maureen Culberson to be paid quarterly, instead of monthly as she is currently paid. He stated this would simplify the reimbursement process. Ike Lowry made the motion to pay Maureen Culberson's contract reimbursement quarterly and Kim Augustine made the second with the unanimous approval of the Board.

0109-4 Regional Reports

East Region – Marvin Kelly advised that he had visited the Loudon Co. and Blount Co. Centers and that McMinn Co. back-up center was complete.

Middle Region – Traci Harris reported that she had attended the director's meeting recently and they are back up.

West Region – Jamison Peevyhouse stated there would be regional training with Kevin Willett in February.

0109-5 Report for Senator Haynes

Senator Haynes reported the 2009 Legislative session was now open. No House committees had been appointed yet but the Senate committees have been and he remains on the same committees as last year.

He also advised that Tuesday, April 14 has been scheduled for "911 on the Hill" and everyone who will be attending should be there by 8:00 am. He urged all TENA members to visit and make contact with their House and Senate members.

He had been asked about the Open Records issue in regards to transcripts of calls and the HIPPA regulations. He suggested that in providing these transcripts to redact statements involving medical situations.

0109-6 Report for Emergency Communications Board

Lynn Questell was present and explained that for the past couple of weeks she has been very involved with a family medical crisis and appreciates everyone's understanding of her situation. She brought the following items for review:

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Open Records - this issue is also being looked into through the ECB and she will have a full report in the future.

ECB Board Meeting - the meeting originally scheduled for February 5th has been rescheduled for March 19.

Dispatcher Training Funding Form - it has been approved and is now on the ECB website. The initial response has been low.

Financial Report - Jackson Co and Hancock Co are the only 2 financially distressed Districts and there are no "at risk" Districts reported to the ECB. The Board understands that funding does need to be studied.

Legislation - there was a bill filed to amend the appropriations bill to make sure no funds were transferred from the ECB budget to balance the state budget. This is covered under the federal law, but ECB will be studying this bill for impact.

Wireless Funding - the \$14 million funding will be continued through the 2009-2010 budget. It is embedded and it is ECB's intention to continue this funding.

Joe Wilson told Ms. Questell that best wishes and prayers of the membership were with her and her husband.

0109-7 Old Business

A. East Tennessee Regional Rep

The two final nominees from the November board meeting were Sherri Bryant, Bradley County 911 and Kim White, Knox County 911. Senator advised there should be one vote taken and the person receiving the majority would win. In the event no majority is received then this vote should go back to the membership.

The vote was taken and the result was Kim White won by majority.

B. 2009 Conference Fees

After discussing the 2008 fees, Rickey McWright made the motion to keep all Conference and CEU fees the same as last year. A second was made by Marvin Kelly and the Board unanimously approved.

C. 2008 Conference Evaluation

Kim Augustine presented a synopsis of the evaluations received from attendees.

D. Retirement Committee

Joe Wilson advised that the committee would continue to work on this issue.

E. Rickey McWright suggested that the March 18 Board meeting was currently scheduled for 9:30 am be changed to 1:30 pm as we have done when we precede the ECB meeting. All Board members agreed to make the time change.

0109-8 New Business

A. 2010 Site Selection

Randall Lewis stated we would probably need to move to a larger site. The committee has checked with the Park Vista and they are currently waiting on \$ 7 million for renovations, but there have been no changes to date. The committee has an appointment to tour the Sevierville Event Center on January 29 and will report back to the Board at the March meeting.

Joe Wilson said he had recently attended a meeting at the Embassy Suites and Convention Center in Murfreesboro and found the facilities to be remarkable. He has arranged a meeting for anybody who is interested for this afternoon to tour these facilities.

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B. Conference videos

Kim Augustine stated that she has received some inquiries as to when the Conference videos would be available. Jamison Peevyhouse said he would follow up with the videographer and advise.

C. ECB Nomination

Kim Augustine advised that Freddie Rich's term on the ECB Board was to expire in June. TENA needs to submit 3 nominee's for consideration. It was suggested that the Board talk to the membership and then bring names back to the March meeting.

0109-9 Comments/Reports

A. District Representatives

Joe Wilson reported that he knew Ike Lowry, Jennifer Estes and Theda Bramlett will be attending "911 in Washington". Anyone else attending should coordinate with Jennifer Estes so TENA can make a unified presence.

Mr. Wilson also stated the July Board meeting is currently scheduled for the 5th Wednesday of the month and suggested it be moved up to July 22. The Board agreed to keep the meeting dates consistent.

Mr. J. R. Kelly introduced himself and stated he was the new 911 Director for Wilson Co. He said that H.B. McDonald was still with the agency and serving as his assistant.

B. TELCO Representatives

David Gleason said that it has been 2 years since AT&T purchased BellSouth and they are committed to continuing to work towards good results. They will be adding one more Account Representative in each region. Some of Bruce Francis' district has been reassigned, but he is still with Tennessee, so if there are any issues, please contact either David or Bruce.

C. Other Delegates

Traci Harris inquired about the status of the By-Laws being reformatted by the committee. Joe Wilson stated the committee had not yet met.

0109-10 Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 1:30 pm CDT at the Rutherford Co. ECD Office, 591 Fortress Blvd, Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

With no further business, and without objection, a motion was made by Rickey McWright and seconded by Jamison Peevyhouse to adjourn.

These are the true, accurate and complete minutes of the Executive Board Meeting.

Approved, this _____ day of _____, 2009.

Secretary

