

Meeting minutes – Michigan NENA, November 12, 2003 City of Flint, Michigan

President Suzan Hensel called the meeting to order at 10:20 am at Shap's Steak and Seafood Restaurant, Flint, MI. Members in attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Brianna Machuta	InterAct PSS	Bill Charon	Ionia County
Tom Altland	Mason-Oceana 911	Marsha Bianconi	CWW
Paul Rogers	Eaton County 911	Bob Currier	Intrado
Jim Fyvie	Clinton County	Andy Goldberger	St. Joseph County
Frank Rademacher	Red Sky Tech.	Joe Cousineau	SBC Public Safety
Vince Foisy	Rochester Hills PD	Mike Aprile	Red Sky Tech.
Mary Griffin	Auburn Hills PD	Sherri Kessel	SBC
Deborah Achtenberg	Waterford PD	Pat Anderson	SBC
Stephen Todd	City of Flint 911	Barry Nelson	Saginaw County
EJ Reaves	Detroit PD	Charlie Nystrom	Barry County 911
Llyod Fayling	Genesee County	Suzan Hensel	Midland County 911

Housekeeping announcements, welcome and sign-in sheet reminder by President Hensel.
Introductions of all in attendance.

Reports:

Minutes – Motion to accept July minutes by B. Nelson supported by B. Currier

Treasurer – Report by Andy Goldberger, motion to accept by T. Altland supported by B. Machuta

President – Announcement that NENA has had monetary issues for the past year and a half and are on their way to setting things correct when it comes to the state chapter reimbursements. The MI chapter (and others) have not received reimbursements for the last two years, this was promised to be rectified by our regional VP – Ron Bonneau.

Also membership dues did increase by twenty dollars this year, there has not been an increase in five years. L. Fayling presented board with question as to who controls the dues amount?
Executive board to research.

ETSC by Paul Rogers

Announcement that House Bill 4439 (version #3) concerns needed to be discussed with Bradstreet's office on their intent. Phase I due by June 30, 2004 and Phase II by June 30, 2005, those extension dates are included in the bill; would like to have those extensions moved to December 30, 2004 and December 30, 2005 and made valid by Bradstreet's office. Bradstreet's office will be adding language in that equipment has to be in place, otherwise there will be no monies distributed and adamant that the monies are only to be used based on the guidelines in the bill. Both parties (senate and house) have to pass the same bill. Congratulations and recognition to Paul, by C. Nystrom and many others, on all the hard work he has done for this. *Paul then made call to Bradstreet's office, the result...* House bill 4439 (version #4) will be on the floor this afternoon to include: definition of compliance, guidelines for monies and equipment being in place, and the due dates extended out six months to December of 2004 and 2005.

Old Business:

President Hensel – Presents the idea that MI NENA should be more proactive with the bill to avoid delay and avoid relying on MSP to get things done in timely manner, since they do not support the bill but are the lead agency.

Treasurer Goldberger – Reminder that even when the bill is passed, it will open up the avenue but will not yet provide the monies. The monies will still have to be appropriated. The House is unanimous with great support, as for the senate, we do not know where they stand. Hoping to have a better understanding in February 2004, when members attend *NENA Goes to Washington*.

Bob Currier – Announced that many states have had their 911 budgets raided by their office of Treasury. As for MI, Rep. Fred Upton is one of the “drivers” in the house and appreciates and recognizes the work that this organization has done.

Spring Conference dates for 2004 are May 9-12th and for 2005 are May 8-11th. Announcement that we are still under contract with the Amway Grand Hotel for 2004 and 2005, but have begun the process of site selection for 2006 thru 2008. The date on the table for 2006/2007/2008 is the week between mother’s day and memorial week. If anyone has any property suggestions, please let one of the members of the executive board. Would like to have new site selected by the Spring Conference this year, if possible.

New Business:

Marsha Bianconi – Nominations/elections for the 2004 MI NENA Executive Board took place today...she announced the current slate, asked for resolution, and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. J. Fyvie motioned to close nominations, supported by B. Charon. Ballots were distributed, with reminder that only members could vote. Results: there were 21 votes counted and Suzan Hensel was announced as the new president for MI NENA 2004, with the rest of the board remaining the same. A. Goldberger motion to destroy ballots supported by B. Currier.

2004 Meeting dates and places:

February 11th – southeast MI (metro area)

May 11th – Grand Rapids @ Spring Conference

July 14th – northern MI

November 10th - ?

President Hensel asked if Bob Currier would present his Phase II training session for the February 11, 2004 meeting. He accepted.

Paul Rogers suggested to have an Executive Board meeting for legislative overview before the Chapter meeting and training on February 11th.

ETSC representation for 2004: Paul Rogers is retiring next year and we need to appoint a new NENA representative for ETSC for a three year commitment. President Hensel announced that the executive board would take suggestions on nominees for the next month and a half. L. Fayling made position that Suzan Hensel take over the position, supported by C. Nystrom. This will ultimately be the decision of the president, with consensus by the rest of the executive board; we also need to appoint an alternate.

NENA Goes To Washington: Our second year of participation to meet and lobby the 911 cause with Washington officials. The dates this year are February 23 and 24, 2004. President Hensel would like to increase the number of people that attend for the MI Chapter. Motion by L. Fayling to have the MI NENA chapter foot the bill for four representatives to attend, supported by T. Altland.

SWAT: Strategic Wireless/Wireline Action Teams An initiative, by NENA, to provide assistance and resources with decisions and concerns for 911 agencies. They have technical, operational and financial sides to assist with moving agencies towards the future. For more information you can contact NENA and they will deploy teams to sites.

VoIP: A new challenge that has come to light for 911 agencies, is the choice by the public consumers to replace their lines with data-lines. This causes concern, since 911 and data-lines do not play well together or at all at times. The 911 agency is not given a true location or callback information. This was mentioned during the last regional NENA call of directors. Concerns at the national level and need to be focused at the local level.

Bob Currier announced that the NENA listserver has a great deal of information on this subject and that the FCC has not yet provided direction for these types of services. President Hensel suggested this issue be addressed in the next go around of legislation, to get a head of it technically and operationally with the local governments.

Bob Currier made mention of Intrado's *wireless language*. There has been concern raised about the acceptance of the ALI display with call routing of wireless calls. Each line item of information on a mobile worksheet is not always loaded onto the ALI system or MSAG. Not yet a real issue in Michigan, just wanted to make all aware.

Pat Anderson voiced concern on the relay center for emergency calls. There is one center for MI for all hearing impaired that is then relayed to the appropriate party. The center has already started a database for the list of PSAP's with the correct agencies to respond, but there is still a lot of work to be done and the PSAP's need to continue to assist to go forward with this database.

President Hensel announced that 112 is the international 911. It is dependent upon country in Europe, but Nextel, Cingular and Tmobile will convert to 911.

Other Business:

Bob Currier announced that NENA moved headquarters to the DC area and that they own and house their own server, which houses all NENA websites. After the move, when they went to bring everything back up, it was determined that the server had numerous viruses. They are now having to re-build the entire server and back-up.

On October 29 and 30, the FCC held an E911 wireless initiative. The target audience were each of the 50 states representatives and Native American representatives for 911. 38 of 50 were in attendance, MI was not one of them. The thrust of the conference was the readiness of the PSAP's wireline and wireless. Both days of presentations were recorded and if this comes up again, we need to encourage our state to have a representative there.

Door prize drawing by Andy Goldberger.

Reminder of next meeting on February 11, 2004.

Meeting adjourned by President Hensel at 1:55pm

Respectfully submitted,

Brianna Machuta
Chapter Secretary

