

Minutes Notes: Taken by Matt Grogan, NV

Start time of conference call:

- **Attendance/roll call; visitors on the call with introduction**
- Cory introduced new board member Cecily McNair from New Hampshire
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- Cecily M/NH - She is recently retired from Merrimack County where she worked for 30 years. She has been with APCO for many years and served on the Board of Directors for the New Hampshire Emergency Dispatcher Association. She is also a founding member of TERT in New Hampshire

Approval of previous minutes

- Changes to minutes with discussion - none
- Motion and second to approve
 - Joe Westrich moved to approve, Nancy Dzoba seconded, minutes from February 7, 2018 passed unanimously

Regional Reports

- **North Region**
 - North Dakota is exploring the possibility of creating a TERT Program.
 - Cory & Mike were contacted and invited to a recent conference but were unable to attend due to prior commitments.
- **Gulf Region**
 - GA doing a TERT training at the GA APCO/NENA conference, GECC, On March 8-subject: TERT deployment to Florida
- **East Coast Region**
- Joe W/ME from Maine - Maine is holding their state TERT meeting on Monday March 12th. During the meeting they will be working on a training program for the year. They are hoping to put together exercises to keep people engaged in TERT
- **Western Region**

Kurt H/EMAC from EMAC - He advised that the National Weather Service in Seattle is starting to limit its products that they are giving out. They are only giving it to personal with jobs related to emergency management functions. Most 911 centers are not included in this. It is unknown if this is a nationwide standard now or just a Seattle issue.

It was questioned whether or not NOAA was the same as NWS, they are a subset of them

Kurt advised that anyone can still go to their websites to access their information but any special webinars or briefings that would be held, before big/severe weather events, would be limited to Emergency Management Agencies. This constitutes a complete change in their usual practice.

Mike S/ME - He is also the EMA director and has not heard anything like this in his region.

- Cory A inquired if there was a justification for this?
- Kurt - Believed it to be related to the cost of hosting webinars and other financially related issues.
- Cory - Will EM's and EMA's be responsible for dissemination of information?
- Kurt - Yes
- Cory - Have any of the congressional representatives been contacted regarding this?
- Kurt - Meeting scheduled on April 8th. Will provide further information after that.

Announcements Additional Reports

Old Business:

- Cory will not be on the April 4th call. Mike will be heading the call.

- Creation of information brochures for APCO/NENA members to use to stimulate a TERT initiative in a state that is inactive or stalled
- Cory requested volunteers for this project.
- George L from Oregon will volunteer for this project. Nancy D from Florida will assist.
- -Create a brochure for PSAP managers - Outline the value and process involved in developing Team members and processes for reimbursement.
- Cory looking for volunteers for this project also. Was hoping Kurt would help due to his EMAC knowledge. Cecily from New Hampshire will assist.

- 5 Minute Training Feature on the Website-Cory looking for volunteers
- Nancy would like to ask the state coordinators what kind of training they would like done before assignments are made.
- Joe W suggested having lessons learned from the recent deployments be our first training.
- Cory asked if the members from Georgia could put something together.
- Jonathan said they can and will have it based on their presentation. All members of their recent deployment to Florida will be at the presentation at GECC
- Nancy D - Will reach out to Florida and see what kind of info they would like to see in the training. Will check with the centers that were affected and had deployments, see what their lessons learned were.
- Cory - Georgia will be the first training, Florida lessons learned will be for May. Volunteer was asked for June, Debbie from South Carolina will do something for June

- If any help is needed, reach out to Cory or Mike, they will assist.

- -Good of the Order
- Kurt Hardin our EMAC representative on the committee - Heading to the EMAC conference. Any issues or problems with your State EMA, let Kurt know and he will have them addressed.
- Debbie Plunkett./SC - Requested if he sees the South Carolina Emergency Management Director to have him put her back on the radar. She has contacted him several times and has not heard anything back.
- Kurt - Send an email to him he will be sure to follow up
- Cory - Possibly a good idea for a 5 minute training, making/keeping contacts with your local/state EM/EMA/EMAC reps.
- -Adjournment
- George L/OR made a motion to adjourn, Nancy D/FL seconded
- Motion passed
- Meeting adjourned at 0830 Pacific/1130 Eastern

Next call date: April 4, 2018

Roll Call/Attendance		
P=Present	E=Excused Absences	A= Unexcused Absence
Member	STATE	Present Excused Absent
Cory Ahrens	WA	P
Mike Smith	ME	P
Jeff Carney	TN	P
Nancy Dzoba	FL	P
Brianna Fields	AR	A
Brad Gass	TN	P
Matt Grogan	NV	P
Kurt Hardin	EMAC	P
Robin Johnstone	International/Canada	E
Jonathan Jones	GA	P
George Long	OR	P
Russell Palmer	GA	P
Debra Plunkett	SC	P
Joseph Westrich	ME	P
Mark Cannon, APCO		
Brian Fonts, NENA		
Sheila Hanna, APCO		
Guests:		