

## EXECUTIVE BOARD

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## VIRGINIA CHAPTER of NENA



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### 2015 Virginia NENA Spring Conference Business Meeting April 24, 2015

Craig Sheets, President, called this meeting to order at 09:58 am.

#### Secretary's Report

The Fall business minutes have been posted on line and are available for viewing. Aleta Coleman, made a motion to approve the minutes as posted, seconded by Katie Boone. All members were in favor.

#### Treasurer's Report

Jackie went over the Treasurer's Report. We have \$37,540.59 in the bank and \$27,214.18 in the Paypal account. We still have to pay the hotel for this conference and a few outstanding bills. Jackie is looking into the possibility of the Chapter purchasing CD's. She will be researching the different options and will bring it back as a recommendation to the Committee for review. Denise Crowder made a motion to accept the report, and Randy Davis seconded it. There was no discussion. All members were in favor.

#### Old Business

Regional Directors – we will be revising the Regional Director's positions. We have been having a hard time filling certain area Directors' positions. The Board discussed this issue and a recommendation was made to forward it to the By-Laws Committee for review.

Facebook page – <https://www.facebook.com/VA.Chapter.of.NENA>. Go to our Facebook page and "like" us. We post a lot of information on our Facebook page. We have pushed out many photos from this week's event so far, including the APCO awards recipients.

#### New Business

Jason Malloy has been working very hard at updating and improving our current Chapter Website. We are currently working on updating our current list server. We have been receiving a lot of bounce back message from email addresses. Once the website is up and running, we will ask members if they want to

be on our list serve, if so, we will have them sign up again. Jason provided an overview of what the new website will look like. You can expect it to be rolled out in the next month or so.

### Committee Report

Membership – Erin Elrod is Chairperson. Current membership in Virginia is 382 and NENA Nationally 9,300. She also serves on the NENA National membership committee and they are looking at using the membership page to feature “Telecommunicator Thursday”, where they spotlight a Telecommunicator. The Virginia Chapter is also looking at mirroring this project. Therefore, if members would like to spotlight one of their telecommunicators, they can do that on our NENA Facebook page. If you would also like to submit article for the Call, please do that as well.

Conference Committee – Derrick Ruble is Chairperson. The Spring Conference has been scheduled for May 3 - 6, 2016 in Virginia Beach at the Sheraton, again. If you have any suggestions on what you like, did not like or wish to see, please email us. We are looking at coming up with new events for the Spring Conference. If everything comes together as planned, we are considering hosting a 5k race event on the Boardwalk to raise money for scholarships and other programs in the NENA Chapter. We are also looking at pre-sales of T-shirts when you register. A big “Thank You” goes out to our APCO friends, especially Richard Troshak, for putting together the education program.

### Elections

At our Board Meeting, we discussed not receiving any nominations for Second Vice President and how several of our members stated they did not receive the elections email that went out. After reviewing the By-Laws, the Executive Committee is charged with coming up with the process. We will open nominations from the floor and send an email out to Virginia NENA Members. The nominations will close on May 14 at 5pm. There will be an email forward to voting members by May 16 with instructions on how to vote. The elections will close on May 22 by 5pm. The positions that are up for election are:

Secretary

Treasurer

Second Vice President

All nominees must submit a letter of support from their Agency Head, along with their nomination. Shortly after the election is closed, there will be an email sent out to the membership with the results. The newly elected officers will be sworn in remotely.

Erin Elrod presented the Executive Board with a proposal for an amendment to the By-Laws for the Regional Director’s positions to go to the By-Laws Committee for review. The recommendation will also be posted for members to review, and it will be discussed at our Fall Business meeting.

Swearing in of current elected officials:

President - Derrick Ruble

First Vice President – Kathleen Boone

Immediate Past President – Craig Sheets

Region 2 – Karen Smallwood

Region 4 – Randy Davis

Region 6 – Aleta Coleman

Bernard “Buster” Brown, Immediate Past President of NENA National, swore them in.

## **Transition from Old President to New President**

Craig handed over the plaque to Derrick Ruble as President. Derrick presented a plaque to Craig. Derrick advised he has several goals he would like to accomplish as the incoming Virginia NENA President:

- Set aside one year of operating expenses
- Hold a Center Manager Certification Class
- Scholarships at varies levels
  - Full scholarship including hotel and registration
  - Partial scholarship – either hotel or registration
  - New ENPs – as reward, comping their registration
    - As a reminder, we offer scholarships to help pay for your ENP certification
- Increase interest on our social media site
- Increasing NENA membership

We will be looking at putting on a 5 K run next year; we were unable to do it this year due to the harsh winter weather moved numerous other events and created a conflict.

Upcoming committees:

- Scholarship and fund raising
- Training
- By-Laws
- Conference
- Membership

## **Adjournment**

Derrick Ruble made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Denise Crowder, all in favor and the meeting adjourned at 10:23 AM.