

TENA Board Meeting

April 19, 2005

1. Call to Order

Christy Williams called the meeting to order.

Board Members present:

Christy Williams	President
Lisa Dodson	Vice-President
Gina LaRocca	Secretary
Lesley Sciba	South Region Coord.
Carl Dorton	Central Region Coord.
Arnell Evans	East Region Coord.
Deborah Yarnell	Panhandle Region Coord.
Willima Banner	North Region Coord.
Melissa Tutton	Immediate Past President

Board Members not present:

Armida Borunda	West Region Coord.
Tino Fonseca	Treasurer

1. Welcome and Introductions

Christy Williams welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their interest and support of TENA. Self introductions were made.

2. Acceptance of Minutes from the Annual Membership Meeting on September 1, 2004

Lesley Sciba made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed. Juan Gomez seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Treasurer's Report

Not available

4. Committee Reports

Communications – Christy Williams reported that the TENA Transfer Newsletter is now being done by Susan Rodriguez, City of Plano. Christy encouraged the membership

to submit articles or items of interest for publication. The TENA website has been updated and is being maintained by Toni Dunne. The address for the website is www.nena9-1-1.org/texas. Current TENA activities can be found on the website.

Membership – Lisa Dodson provided an overview of the “Great Texas Roundup” Membership Drive currently underway. TENA currently has 356 members, gaining 10 new members since February 1, 2005. Von Beals announced that we have moved from the fifth to fourth largest chapter in NENA and only need three more members to move into third. The goal remains that Texas will be the largest chapter by the 2007 Annual NENA Conference in Fort Worth, TX with Bill Munn inducted into his second presidency with the organization.

Training – Sara Floyd provided a schedule of training courses that will be held over the coming months.

April – VOIP

May – Crisis Communications

June – TTY Train the Trainer

July – Ethics for Telecommunicators

August – NENA Liability Course

Sara is still looking for someone to host a class in the West Region. Training at greatly reduced prices is a benefit of TENA membership. Prices for the above courses are:

1 day course - \$50.00

2 and 3 day courses - \$100.00

Conference Committee – Sherri Griffith Powell has agreed to act as Conference Chair for the TENA Annual Conference to be held August 28-30 in Corpus Christi. The theme for the conference is “9-1-1 Wave of the Future”. Hotel and additional information can be found on the TENA website.

Christy provided a listing of future NENA Conferences:

2005 – Long Beach, CA

2006 – Pittsburg, PA

2007 – Ft. Worth, TX

Since Texas will be home to the 2007 NENA Conference, many volunteers will be needed to help ensure a memorable and successful event.

2007 also marks the 20th Anniversary of TENA. Melissa Tutton announced that there will be a celebration as part of our annual state conference in San Antonio.

ENP Committee – Toni Dunne reported that TENA currently has more ENPs than any other chapter in NENA. She also announced that TENA was sponsoring ENP study group conference calls for anyone interested in taking the ENP exam. The calls are every Thursday at 2:00 pm. Toni stated that 34 people had signed up initially with an average of 14 people participating in each session. An ENP review and the ENP exam will be held in conjunction with the conference in Corpus. TENA will provide 6 scholarships, one in each region, for the ENP exam. More information is available on the website.

5. Change to the Constitution and By-laws

A copy of the proposed changes to the Constitution and By-laws was distributed. The suggested changes involved the frequency of election of Regional Coordinators. It was proposed to change the term of the Regional Coordinator position from 1 year to 2 year staggered terms. This would be more in line with NENA and provide more consistency and continuity to the Board. If the proposed changes were approved, 3 of the 6 Regional Coordinator positions would be up for election in 2005. The 3 positions would be determined by the Board. Anita Pitt made a motion to accept the proposed changes. Fran Randall seconded the motion. The motion passed with 34 in favor and 0 opposed.

TENA positions up for election in August will be Vice President, Secretary and 3 Regional Coordinators.

6. New Business

Arnell Evans reported that NENA is revising the Data Base book and training course. She asked that if anyone had input for the updated materials, to please provide it to NENA.

7. Jason Barbour, Candidate for NENA 2nd Vice President

Jason Barbour discussed his experience in 9-1-1, relationship to NENA and his candidacy for NENA 2nd VP.

8. Adjournment

Being no further business, Harley Reeves made a motion to adjourn. Von Beals seconded the motion. Motion passed.