

TNT Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2015
Galveston Convention Center
Galveston, TX

Meeting in Session – 8:40

Attendees – 41 (38 registrations)

Welcome & Introductions—Mindy Adams

What has been your biggest accomplishment since last year's conference (April 2014)?

4 first timer conference attendee

Treasurer's Report—Robbyn Hart

Current balance \$3042.92

Registration fees since January 1, 2004 - \$34,564.15

Bylaws Vote—Add President-Elect/Wording Changes

Requirements of being on TNT Board – attend minimum of two meetings yearly

All requested changes to TNT Bylaws can be seen on February Minutes on TNT website (www.texas911trainers.org)

Open Discussion –

Motion to pass – Pam Frisk

Second motion - Sherrie Decker

Committee to clearly define TNT Roles- Mindy Adams

Input to where we would like to see TNT go in the future.

The success of this organization depends on us. A paper was being passed around to get name and e-mail of people that would like to become more involved – i.e. committees

Legislative Update- Andrea Wilson

Texas NENA Legislative Chair – 9-1-1 goes to Washington

Paper sent around on what is going on at the federal level

Fifteen 9-1-1 bills introduced during this last session in the State of Texas

Kari's Law – bill reads that anybody with a multiline phone system has to have a direct dial out for 9-1-1 services – if someone places an emergency call the front desk has to be notified. Businesses that cannot afford to make the update they can get a waiver from their COG or District

HB 7 – Funding for 9-1-1 in general.

HB 737 – Authorization of bonds and fees

Go speak to your Commissioners and Judges, local government. Invite them to your PSAPs. Help them understand what we do. Even number years invite them over.

9-1-1 goes to Washington every other year - If there is someone this group wants to tackle, address and/or research we need to work on now during the off year.

Information sheet passed out "9-1-1 Facts"

9-1-1 Emergency Communication provided in the State of Texas

580 Total Public Safety Answering Points in Texas

Funder of 9-1-1 service in Texas is authorized by Health and Safety Code Chapters 771, 722 and City/County Ordinances

The future of 9-1-1

2015 Policy Priorities

To learn more about 9-1-1 emergency communications:

National effort to change the definition of telecommunicator on a federal level. State level does not know anything about it. A number of chiefs want and exemption that their secretaries can answer the phone.

Resend information out to PSAPs to remind people of TCOLE requirements on licensing Telecommunicators.

TNT/PETS Booth at Conference- Carolyn Dotts

Electronic registration for TNT and PETS

Pam and Tish put together booth decorations

Stress Management Online Course Update- Mindy Adams

Curriculum complete - beta testing complete

Mindy Adams is putting together a packet to send to TCOLE

Will be submitted next week after returning from conference

Typically 1 - 2 weeks until on-line TCOLE website

Post Conference TERT Team Leader Course at NENA- Sherry Decker

Thursday after conference - Team Leader Fast track Course - 100 registered

State of Maine is going to be the 20th state to go with TERT

Working with Louisiana

PA is coming up

When you are deployed you need to take Texas TERT card with you

Texas Telecommunicator Response Task Force - 1st response 2008 Hurricane Ike

Golf of Texas – deployed 13 teams for 16 weeks
2012 responded to Hurricane Isaac – first and only TERT to deploy out of state

6 Regional Coordinators

Team Leaders

State Coordinator – appointed by APCO/NENA Chapter President each year.

FEMA IS144 Course if you can't get out to training

Nationally everyone else is looking at Texas when developing their TERT Team.

Telecommunicator Alliance of Texas Update (TAT) —Sherry Decker

Kelly Hall unable to be here today – TNT Committees TAT courses are moving slowly.

Not a lack of want or effort – unable to give time while working full time jobs.

PSAP contest to see who can get the most signed up for TAT.

What's next for TNT? - Mindy Adams

What course do we want to look at putting on TCOLE website next?

Active Shooter

Course for Communicating with ADA Protected Persons

Class for Team Leaders

Leadership Independent Study for handling paperwork related to terminations and other Supervisory Actions

Major Disasters

CISM Training

Moving from instructing in person to on-line – takes a lot of effort – don't miss the stories when presenting the course on line. The story and background is what grabs the attention. Make sure you are meeting TCOLE on-line guidelines. It has to be done their way.

Need someone to voice over

It is a great experience – it takes a long time

Stress Curriculum took 9 months to develop

All done by conference calls & e-mails – no traveling

What is a need in your area?

NCTCOG will provide us with DACUM information on classes that were suggested

DACUMs are done yearly at NCTCOG

TNT Board Elections for 2016-2018- Mindy Adams

November 2015 will take office – 2 year commitment

Nominees are:

President – Yvonne Krum

President Elect -Roxie Dodd, April Bryant, Laura Litzerman, Tina Chaffin, Shantelle Oliver

Treasure – Robbyn Hart

Secretary – Cindy Moorhead, Kim Turner, Maria Lemonds, Ella Kay-Lynn Vinson

Hospitality – Pam Frisk

Training Tip—Colors- Tina Chaffin

If you would like a copy of this training e-mail Tina Chaffin – tchaffin@tc911.org

Open Discussion:

Don't forget about the Twitter account – @tx911conf

Interested in TNT shirt - e-mail tchaffin@tc911.org

National NENA is in Denver

Meeting adjourned