

# PA Keystone Chapter Meeting Minutes



**November 14, 2016**

Chapter President Gary Thomas called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM.

## **Attendance:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Thomas, President         | <input type="checkbox"/> John Grappy, Vice President             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brad Reinert, Secretary        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann Weller, Past President   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lisa James, Treasurer                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Audrey Kenny, Eastern Region |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kevin Fanning, Central Region             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Todd Lake, Western Region    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike McGrady, Conference Chair |  |

## **Legislative Update:**

Senate now has a super majority – they can override any veto threat. Keep eyes on the climate in the representative branches. Mike has not seen the agenda for the legislative next year yet.

Mike was going to reach out to the RTK office to speak at the regional meetings. The RTK staff was open and welcoming to this.

## **Conference:**

Gary – Received usual complaints about the small venue, the next year is locked in. The group discussed the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary this coming conference year and the possibility of a dinner at the Toftrees (or another off site location), looking for vendors to sponsor the event. Mike suggested we have a shared sponsorship for the event, so to avoid conflicts.

Attendance on an average year is roughly 250.

Several options were discussed, including lite hors d'oeuvres in the vendor area till 1800, then bus to the venue for a later dinner. This would keep people to the venue/vendor area as long as possible.

Mike will also have his staff look into a banquet facility and the other options in the area.

Post conference call – Mike will work with Lisa to schedule that. Gary suggested a call with the vendors to include their feedback. (Still on track for a 10K profit from the conference)

Gary asked if we need a conference committee – The possibility was discussed. We will mention at the regional meetings, and interested parties can contact Gary/Mike.

**Regional Reports:**

**Eastern:** (Audrey Kenny) – Has not picked a venue for the regional meeting, however leaning towards Monroe County – No date yet. (Interconnectivity funding – email just sent – Gary will send out)

**Central:** (Kevin Fanning) - Absent - No Report

**Western:** (Todd Lake) Lawrence County will be the location for the regional meeting – Still no date.

Side Note: Northern tier group – 911 Managers meeting quarterly – in the North/Northwest area. Looking to improve information flow with the regional partners and 911 EMA staff

**Presidents Report:**

Meeting in HBG tomorrow bet funding and Technical committee to provide update on the RFP for MIS – Will provide an update at the next meeting (some concern from Todd on if a company exists that can deliver a product that captures the desired data and does it well. There are concerns that some county directors that are not receiving the amount of support financially from their counties. We will need to begin look at the next funding process. Discussion about including broadband services into the formula (will need to look at this).

Discussion regarding the 15% funding distribution – A broad discussion took place regarding the current funding model and direction of future funding distribution options. As a group additional discussion and work will need to be done in the coming year(s).

The current 15% funding eligibility list was discussed – Maybe the list needs to include only the items that are not allowed, so agencies clearly know what is not going to be funded. Need to spell out – current wording is vague and open to interpretation.

**Vice President’s Report:**

Not Present - No Report

**Secretary Report:**

No Report

**Treasures Report:** (Lisa James) - Not present – Report Sent (See below)

Checking:	\$2,158.83
Savings:	\$26,357.58
Money Market:	\$17,137.41

**Past President's Report:**

*Lisa would like to get the meeting minutes of some of these meeting in HBG to get the minutes out to the masses. Audrey – will work on taking notes or having a delegate help.*

**Good of the Order:**

To do – post conference call.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:49 AM