

**NJ NENA Annual Fall Meeting  
October 15, 2008  
Burlington County Fire Academy**

Board Members in attendance:

**President Anthony Kozlowski**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Ray Kenny**  
**Central Region Vice President Gareth Williams**  
**South Region Vice President Monica Gavio**  
**Secretary Sandy Mangini**

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM with approximately 30 members in attendance.

President Kozlowski opened the meeting with greetings, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. He then introduced the Board Members in attendance.

**Committee Reports:**

Conference Chairman Gareth Williams announced that the Spring Conference will be at the Taj Mahal in Atlantic City on April 23-24, 2009. He explained that it will be the same set up as this past year's conference. We had over 300 attendees and approximately 50 vendors at the 2008 conference. We want to increase this for next year!

He announced a Call for Papers for presentations. This is open for any New Jersey NENA member who has an expertise in a specific area. We are looking for New Jersey members to be involved.

There is a "3 for 2" special registration promotion for the 2009 Conference. This offer is good until March 2, 2009. Three members from the same agency registered together can be registered for the cost of two. The registration fee this year is \$150.

Gareth announced the new tower at the Taj Mahal is now open. It can be requested upon registration. To reserve a room, you can call the Taj Mahal at 800-825-8888 and use the conference code ANENA09. He then reviewed and showed the Webpage.

President Kozlowski asked for any questions or suggestions about the Conference. One of the members asked about having an ENP Test at the Conference. We will check into that or possibly as a pre-Conference offer.

**New Business:**

He then showed the NENA National website. He encouraged all to look at the website and to send in their ideas or comments. He pointed out that the address for membership renewals has changed to the Baltimore address.

President Kozlowski then spoke about TTY PASS / PASS-E, questioning how many test and/or train on a regular basis.

Sandy Mangini discussed a few ADA Federal guidelines/ requirements.

March 23-25, 2009 will be "9-1-1 goes to Washington". With a new President in office this would be a good time to go and support 9-1-1.

President Kozlowski announced the Federal PSAP Grant Program. The \$40 million grant is divided amongst the states equaling approximately \$660,000 per state. This severely limits the qualifying dispatch centers.

President Kozlowski reviewed a new feature offered by On-Star and also mentioned their free training program for dispatchers.

9-1-1 CARES: It was announced that Texas hurricane survivors need assistance. There is a National request for: a) cash or b) Wal-Mart cards. NJ NENA has agreed to send \$250. If anyone wants to add to our donation they can send it to us and we'll forward it down.

The NJ NENA web address has changed. See it at: [www.njnena.org](http://www.njnena.org)

Ray Kenny indicated that there is nothing new to report on NJ TERT.

Craig Reiner from OETS gave an overview and update on Wireless Phase II status in New Jersey. He reviewed each carrier and their Phase II status. He then discussed VoIP companies and their status, describing the different types, Stationary vs. Nomadic. He explained that VoIP carriers will use the counties' default ESNs and that a PSAP Inquiry should not be initiated for an incorrect ESN.

Craig also gave an overview of On-Star and Ford's 9-1-1 Assist programs.

OETS has approved the APCO on-line training for BTC and BTC / EMD Instructor. NAED courses also approved. OETS has put together a Wireless Phase I and Phase II training program plus a TTY/ VCO & HCO training program.

Craig gave additional information about the different Grants, Equipment Grant, General Assistance Grant and the Consolidation Grant and any changes.

There is also a 10 minute responding time limit for rescue squads being brought before the Legislature.

President Kozlowski ended the meeting with information on a need for “Active Shooter Training” in the dispatch centers.

- Are dispatchers properly trained to handle such calls?
- Are they familiar with EACH agencies responses / policies?
- Do the Communication Centers have copies of response plans for each municipality?

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.