

Board on Public Safety Standards and Training Minutes January 19, 2006

The Board on Public Safety Standards and Training held a regular meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2006 at the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training in Monmouth, Oregon. Chair Bob Tardiff called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Attendees

Board Members:

Bob Tardiff, Chair, Oregon Association Chiefs of Police
Bob Wolfe, Vice-Chair, Corrections recommended by the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association
Kelly Bach, Oregon State Firefighters' Council
Andrew Bentz, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association – via telephone
Harold Burke-Sivers, Private Security Industry
Larry Goff, Oregon Fire District Directors' Association
Robert Jordan, SAIC FBI – Oregon – via telephone
Erik Kvarsten, League of Oregon Cities
William Lafferty, Forest Protection Agencies
Eric Meyer, Private Security Industry
Steven Piper, Non-Management Law Enforcement
Mark Prince, Oregon Fire Chiefs' Association
David Schutt, Oregon District Attorneys' Association
David Sprando, Chief, Portland Fire and Rescue
James Whelan, Oregon Volunteer Firefighters' Association
Max Williams, Department of Corrections
Thomas Wright, Department of Corrections Bargaining Unit Representative

Board Members Absent:

Derrick Foxworth, Chief, Portland Police Bureau
Nancy Orr, Oregon State Fire Marshal
Lane Roberts, Oregon Association Chiefs of Police
Ron Ruecker, Superintendent, Oregon State Police
Wanda Sorenson, Public Member

DPSST Staff:

John Minnis, Director
Eriks Gabliks, Deputy Director
Cameron Campbell, Training Division Director
Marilyn Lorange, Certification and Records Supervisor
Theresa King, Professional Standards Coordinator

Mark Sanchez, Public Information Officer
Terry Riley, Fire Training Supervisor
Julie Olsen-Fink, Fire Certification Coordinator
Rose Mann, Executive Secretary to the Board

Guests:

Derek Bliss, Private Security Policy Committee, Armed Security
Brandon Mak, Private Security Policy Committee
Nicole Braman, Portland State University Executive Leadership Institute
Matt Jones, Portland State University Executive Leadership Institute
Bob Kauffman, Portland State University Executive Leadership Institute

1. Chair's Report and Administrative Announcements

Chair Bob Tardiff announced this is a public meeting and subject to the public meeting laws and is being recorded.

Bob Wolfe, Vice Chair recommended the Board create a subcommittee to look into developing step medical standards to accommodate law enforcement personnel who move through their careers over a long period of time. The same medical standards for a young incoming officer are not a reasonable expectation for a 20-year veteran.

Chair Tardiff also announced a clarification to the Consent Agenda; Item H includes all of Division 060 and not just subsection 0005.

2. CONSENT AGENDA (The following items to be ratified by one vote)

A.*Minutes

Approve minutes from October 20, 2005 Board meeting

B. *Campbell, Scott B.

Uphold recommendation of the Police Policy Committee to grant a medical waiver of the minimum visual acuity standard to Scott B. Campbell.

C. *Clark, Gregory

Uphold recommendation of the Police Policy Committee to deny a medical waiver of the minimum visual acuity standards and the cardiovascular standards to Gregory Clark.

D. *Jordan, Peter (DPSST #40376)

Uphold recommendation of the Corrections Policy Committee to revoke the certifications of Corrections Officer Peter Jordan for violation of OAR 259-008-0010(6) Moral Fitness.

E. *Martinez, Jesse (DPSST #42858)

Uphold recommendation of the Corrections Policy Committee to revoke the certifications of Corrections Officer Jesse Martin for violation of OAR 259-008-0010(6) Moral Fitness.

F. *Nicholson, Rebecca (DPSST #27008)

Uphold recommendation of the Corrections Policy Committee not to revoke the certifications of Corrections Officer Rebecca Nicholson.

G. *OAR 259-009-00062(2) (o) and 259-009-0065

Uphold recommendation of the Fire Policy Committee to file changes to OAR 259-009-00062 (2) (o) and OAR 259-009-0065 as permanent rules with the Secretary of State.

H. *OAR 259-Division 060

Uphold recommendation of the Private Security Policy Committee to file proposed changes to OAR 259-060-0005 as proposed rules with the Secretary of State and if no comments are received during the public comment period file rules with Secretary of State as permanent rules.

I, J. * Corrections Policy Committee Appointments

- Southwick, Mitchell, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association - Initial Appointment
- Woolery, Timothy, Non-Management Corrections Officer – Initial Appointment
- Smith, Theresa, DOC Women's Correctional Facility - Reappointment

K. *Private Security Policy Committee Appointment

- Herrick, William, Private Investigator – Initial Appointment

L. *Telecommunications Policy Committee Appointment

- Metcalf, Mark, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association – Initial Appointment
- Jackson, Randy, Oregon Fire Medical Administrators' Association – Reappointment
- Russell, Scott, Oregon Association Chiefs of Police - Reappointment

Andy Bentz moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Bob Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.

3. Director's Report

John Minnis presented an update on the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.

Construction on the new Oregon Public Safety Academy is 76% complete and expenditures are on track and not over budget. Substantial completion is scheduled for June 1, 2006. Hoffman Construction will remain on contract to repair any unsatisfactory construction problems.

The Information Systems Division will be moving to the new facility in late May to begin setting up servers, computers and other technology equipment. The rest of the Department will begin moving on June 2. Basic training at the Monmouth site will end on June 2, 2006 and 10-week

basic police classes begin again on July 31, 2006 – hopefully enough time to familiarize the coordinators and instructors with all of the new buildings and equipment.

The Secretary of State Audit Division is finishing their field work soon on the construction and they have found no significant issues – this is due mainly to Richard Ross. The draft audit report is expected near the end of February.

The Department practice of taking reservations for basic classes has been eliminated. Any reservations that are currently being held will be honored, but agencies will no longer be able to reserve “slots” in upcoming classes. DPSST has informed our constituents of this change in policy by letter, e-mail, and at the ELTS in January. DPSST will continue to work with agencies to improve our ability to provide certainty for new hires being admitted to the academy.

Daryl Tate came in to demonstrate the new coordinators’ uniforms.

Legislative Concepts are due to DAS by April 3, 2006 and DPSST concepts will go to the Executive Committee in March (March 9).

Department managers attended a briefing by Business Services Director Elaine Sears on preparation of the 07-09 budget and any input from Board and Policy Committee members would be very much appreciated.

4. Committee Reports

- Corrections Policy Committee: Bob Wolfe, Chair stated the Corrections Policy Committee discussed implementing higher standards for the corrections profession and have initial discussions regarding adopting the 12th-Grade reading and writing standard. Further discussion will take place at upcoming policy committee meetings.
- Fire Policy Committee: Jim Whelan, Chair presented an overview of Fire Policy Committee work currently being done.
- Police Policy Committee: Bob Tardiff, Chair – no report
- Private Security Policy Committee: Harold Burke-Sivers, Chair presented an overview of the work of the Committee in integrating private investigators. The name of the Private Security Policy Committee will now be referred to as the Private Security and Investigators Policy Committee – this is an internal change. The official name change has to be made in statute.
- Telecommunications Policy Committee: Eric Swanson, Chair – no report

5. Strategic Planning

Representatives of the Hatfield School of Government at Portland State University provided an overview of the strategic planning process and began an initial work session with Board members.

Board members were tasked with an assignment for their respective organizations, which is due March 17, 2006. The initial assignment is to find out what goods and/or services they would like the Board, its various committees and the Department to provide if money, staff, and time were not issues. This information will be used as part of a work session when the Board meets in April.

Sheriff Wolfe and Chief Tardiff shared an issue that has recently been discussed by law enforcement administrators regarding the standards for employment for person entering the law enforcement field versus those who are re-entering the field later in their careers. Both will work with DPSST staff to address this issue.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.