

Board on Public Safety Standards and Training

Minutes

May 11, 2007

The Board on Public Safety Standards and Training held an emergency meeting on May 11, 2007 at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem, Oregon. Chair Burke-Sivers called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Attendees

Board Members Present:

Harold Burke-Sivers, Chair, Private Security Industry
Bob Wolfe, Vice-Chair, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association
Kelly Bach, Oregon State Firefighters' Council
Andrew Bentz, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association (by teleconference)
Larry Goff, Oregon Fire District Directors' Association
Andrew Jordan, Oregon Association Chiefs of Police
Robert King, Non-management Law Enforcement
Erik Kvarsten, League of Oregon Cities
Brian Martinek for Rosie Sizer, Chief, Portland Police Bureau
Tim McLain, Superintendent, Oregon State Police
Eric Meyer, Private Security Industry
Nancy Orr, Oregon State Fire Marshal
Steven Piper, Non-Management Law Enforcement
Mark Prince, Oregon Fire Chiefs' Association (by teleconference)
David Schutt, Oregon District Attorneys' Association (by teleconference)
David Sprando, Chief, Portland Fire and Rescue (by teleconference)
James Whelan, Oregon Volunteer Firefighters' Association (by teleconference)
Thomas Wright, Department of Corrections Bargaining Unit Representative (by teleconference)

Board Members Absent:

Robert Jordan, SAIC FBI, Oregon
William Lafferty, Forest Protection Agencies
Eric Swanson, Public Safety Telecommunicators
Max Williams, Department of Corrections

DPSST Staff:

John Minnis, Director
Eriks Gabliks, Deputy Director
Theresa King, Professional Standards Coordinator
Bonnie Salle, Rules and Certification Coordinator
Tammera Hinshaw, Executive Assistant to Deputy Director

Guests:

Todd Anderson, Sheriff, Tillamook County
Steve Berber, Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors
Tari Glocar, Oregon State Fire Marshal
Donna Disch, Oregon State Fire Marshal
Joe O'Leary, Governor's Office

1. Chair's Report and Administrative Announcements

Chair Burke-Sivers announced this is a public meeting subject to the public meeting laws and is being recorded.

- Chair Burke-Sivers requested assistance in understanding the revocation process from beginning to end. The group reviewed the chain of events for misconduct on the employer level and also DPSST's process. The problem with this came down to three items:
 1. The make-up of the Policy Committees (not enough labor to management)
 2. The make-up of the Board (not enough labor to management and should not be able to overturn decisions of arbitrators)
 3. The moral fitness standard (too vague, open to misinterpretation)

After further discussion, it was agreed that a sub-committee made up of Board members to include three management representatives, three non-management representatives, and one citizen member should be created. This sub-committee would address all revocation, denial, waiver, and decertification issues for all the policy committees and make recommendations to the Board. This group would also work on clarifying, defining, and revising the moral fitness standard. The policy committees would continue to address all other issues as before.

2. Report from the Vice-Chair to the Board

Vice-Chair Wolfe reported on the meeting with Brian Delashmutt, Robert King, and Bob Livingston, as well as the various informal discussions that have taken place since the meeting. The focus of the meetings was the make-up of the Board. House Bill 3432 was sent back to a work session. There is a proposed amendment to the bill and resolution is being worked on. A copy of the amendment was sent out via e-mail and handed out for discussion.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.