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GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DUIII
Friday, July 7, 2023 - Meeting Minutes
Hybrid Teleconference Meeting
Salem, OR

Members Present: Chairperson Chuck Hayes, Vice-Chair Cate Duke, Sergeant Josh Wilson, Lois Harvick

Members Present via Teams: Honorable Ray Crutchley, Deborah Ruiz, Lynn Howard

Members Absent (Excused): Justin Nielsen

Staff Present in person and via Teams: Traci Pearl, Ryan Stone, Tiana Tozer, Shari Davis

Liaisons and Guests Present and via Teams: Jerry Cooper (OTSC), Janelle Lawrence (Oregon Impact), Glenn Cramer (NHTSA), Officer Nathan Scott, Deanna Kemper, Michael Bloom (OLCC), Nicole McAda (CLEAR Alliance), Sgt. Ryan Clarke (OSP DRE), Sgt. Kevin Ely (OSP IID), Sgt. Logan Denney (OSP HVE), Jonathan Munson (DMV), Megan Lindsey, Honorable Kristin O'Sullivan, Sid Moore, Michael Jackson (OSP crime labs)

Public Present in person and via Teams: Mike Thomas, Marla Trinidad, Kevin Nelson, Joni Morse, David Martin, Leeor Schweitzer, John Ott

Call to Order and Introductions:

Chair Chuck Hayes called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and held a moment of silence to remember those who have been killed or seriously injured in crashes involving an impaired driver.

Chair Report:

Chair Hayes reported that he will be retiring as the Western Region Coordinator for the Drug Evaluation and Classification Program on September 1st. He recognized Sergeant Ryan Clarke on being selected as the new DRE State Coordinator for Oregon. He reported on the impaired driving summit he recently participated in for MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving).

Member Reports:

Vice-Chair Cate Duke

Vice-Chair Duke reported being busy organizing a law enforcement recognition event, which should be taking place mid-September. She is also working on their *Walk Like MADD* event in Bend and Hillsboro and said they are also hoping to host this event in Eugene.

Lois Harvick

Lois Harvick reported that their online Victim Impact Panels (VIPs) are going well and shared details about a new VIP program in the Oregon State Prison System. They now offer their online presentations in Spanish. She reported on new staff and speakers, DRE presence at panels, and a grant application they recently submitted to Three Rivers Casino.

Sergeant Josh Wilson

Sergeant Wilson reported that Deputies Trever Cooley and Matt Rohrer finished DRE School, and Deputy Rohrer has almost completed his certification process.

Honorable Ray Crutchley

Judge Ray Crutchley reported being on call recently and having no DUI calls for the first time in approximately six years. He discussed the length of time it takes before someone gets enters a DUII diversion agreement and then begins treatment, and he proposed that the committee consider ways to improve that time.

Lynn Howard

Lynn Howard reported being thankful for the safety bills that passed this session, and that the e-warrant system in her county is going well, expediting DUII arrests.

Deborah Ruiz

Deborah Ruiz reported on her insights into the problem mentioned earlier by Judge Crutchley about the time between diversion issuance and treatment beginning. She suggested the GAC investigate ways to mitigate the problem.

Public Comment:

John Ott shared that his girlfriend was killed by an impaired driver, and he feels there has been red tape in dealing with the DA where the crash occurred. Mr. Ott fears the driver will never be brought to justice because she has now moved to Texas.

DUI Court and the DRE Officer (Honorable Kristin O'Sullivan):

The presentation slides can be [viewed here](#).

Minutes of Previous Meeting (June):

Chair Hayes asked if there were any corrections or revisions needed for the June minutes. One correction was requested: at the bottom of page 3, it should read 6, not 60.

MOTION: Sergeant Josh Wilson moved to approve the June 2023 GAC-DUIII minutes with the requested correction.

Vice-Chair Cate Duke seconded. Roll call vote; majority approved. Motion passed.

Transportation Safety Office (TSO) Report:

Mr. Stone stated that the Executive Administrative position is still being reviewed. The first draft of the 3HSP has been completed and sent over to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). He shared specifics regarding the budget that is available and some data and statistics, which he said will be sent out after the meeting. He reported that media continues to be a big component of anti-impaired driving activity – reminding the public of the human cost. New social media and billboards have just gone out. He gave a brief legislative update. The “any-impairing substance bill,” [HB 2316](#), is now on the governor’s desk for signature. He shared the final crash/fatality numbers for 2021: 743 substance-involved crashes with 387 fatalities, and 356 injuries involving alcohol. Impaired driving crashes now account for 64% of all of Oregon’s fatalities. In the past, it was between 25% and 30%.

Old Business:

There was discussion about the 3 HSP (Highway Safety Plan) and the recommendations for improvements and recruitment for new members.

New Business:

There was no new business presented.

Liaison Reports:CLEAR Alliance

Nicole McAda reported on the new campaigns they are doing with regards to poly-substance use, marijuana, etc. The impaired driving billboard project they were working on with the Redmond Police Department has been completed. She attended the PAC Northwest Driver and Traffic Safety Conference and said it was well-organized and well-attended. The 2023 scholarships were awarded to five students. She is hoping they will have a greater reach next year.

Driver and Motor Vehicle Services

Jonathan Munson reported on changes that will be needed due to the passage of HB2316 and partnering with law enforcement agencies around the state to implement them.

MADD

Cate Duke reported that they had completed the cannabis impaired driving education video and it is now out for editing. The next Multi-disciplinary Conference is scheduled in Bend for April 4-5, 2024.

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

Glenn Cramer spoke about the need to consider enhancing legislation around toxicology and said there will be a workgroup in September; he will share more information as it comes out. He reported that legislators are looking at potentially passing legislation to enhance the penalty upon conviction for poly-substance crashes. Toxicology could be a concern, as labs are already backlogged. He said that the perception of NHTSA is that the passion for traffic safety has decreased and that traffic enforcement, particularly with impaired driving is not impactful. He shared a blueprint guide that was created for the Regional Office about addressing the issue and partnering with law enforcement.

Oregon Impact

Janelle Lawrence reported on their DUII High-Visibility Enforcement (HVE) campaign, which are funded by TSO's Impaired Driving Program. She then shared information on October - May statistics

- 543 shifts worked
- 2498 hours worked
- 247 DUI alcohol arrests
- 34 DUI drug arrests
- 4 minors in possession
- 14 IID (Ignition Interlock Device) violations
- 36 felony warrants

Oregon Judicial Department

Judge Crutchley had nothing to report for the OJD.

Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission

Mike Bloom reported stated that "home delivery of alcohol bill," [HB3308](#) is now on the governor's desk for a signature. They will have to come up with rules to implement this bill after passage.

Oregon State Police (OSP)

Sergeant Kevin Ely reported on the Ignition Interlock Device Program and the conference he attended in April. He said there will be a webinar with public defenders on July 14 he plans to attend. He reported on the house visits they are conducting to help enforce IID compliance. He said they hope to do more in the way of media outreach regarding IID education.

Sergeant Ryan Clarke reported that DRE recruitment and retention will be a big focus moving forward. He hopes to get back to having over 200 more DRE officers in the field, as we currently only have 172. He reported on DUIIs over the holiday weekend of July 4th and an upcoming Cannabis symposium. He has started talks with David Beatty to begin planning a DRE conference in conjunction with the DUII Task Force Conference next year. Chair Hayes asked about incentives for becoming a DRE and Sergeant Clarke clarified that they have been in negotiations about that for some time.

Sergeant Logan Denney reported that an HVE unit is forming to focus on traffic safety. Funding will be through grants and other law enforcement agencies will participate at different events throughout the summer, statewide. The goal is to do an operation each month that will last from one to four days. This will be a pilot project. The group discussed reducing the backlog in the toxicology labs.

Michael Jackson stated that the labs are working hard reducing the urine toxicology backlog; they are administering their scientist hours at about 75% urine and 25% for other tests. There was discussion about processes and funding.

Oregon State Sheriff's Association

Sergeant Wilson had nothing to report for OSSA.

Oregon Transportation Safety Committee (OTSC)

Jerry Cooper reported that at the OTSC meeting on June 14th there was a lot of conversation regarding HB 2316, and he congratulated the GAC-DUII on their hard work getting it passed. He said that due to [HB 2095](#) passing, mobile speed cameras could be popping up around the state and he will be watching the Portland and Beaverton dockets. The next OTSC meeting will be held on July 12 at 9:30 am virtually and in-person at the DMV HQ on Lana Avenue in Salem.

Adjourn:

With no further business before the committee, Chair Hayes officially adjourned the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 8, 2023 - 9 a.m. at DPSST and via Teams