

Board on Public Safety Standards and Training

Minutes

January 9, 2007

The Board on Public Safety Standards and Training held a regular meeting on January 9, 2007 at the Civic and Convention Center in Seaside, Oregon. Chair Bob Tardiff called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Attendees

Board Members Present:

Bob Tardiff, Chair, Oregon Association Chiefs of Police
Bob Wolfe, Vice-Chair, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association
Andrew Bentz, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association (by teleconference)
Harold Burke-Sivers, Private Security Industry (by teleconference)
Larry Goff, Oregon Fire District Directors' Association (by teleconference)
Andrew Jordan, Oregon Association Chiefs of Police
Robert Jordan, SAIC FBI, Oregon (by teleconference)
Tim McLain, Interim Superintendent, Oregon State Police (by teleconference)
Eric Meyer, Private Security Industry
Nancy Orr, Oregon State Fire Marshal
Steven Piper, Non-Management Law Enforcement (by teleconference)
Mark Prince, Oregon Fire Chiefs' Association
David Schutt, Oregon District Attorneys' Association
Eric Swanson, Public Safety Telecommunicates
James Whelan, Oregon Volunteer Firefighters' Association
Max Williams, Department of Corrections (by teleconference)
Thomas Wright, Department of Corrections Bargaining Unit Representative

Board Members Absent:

Kelly Bach, Oregon State Firefighters' Council
Robert King, Portland Police Bureau
Erik Kvarsten, League of Oregon Cities
William Lafferty, Forest Protection Agencies
Rosie Sizer, Chief, Portland Police Bureau
David Sprando, Chief, Portland Fire and Rescue

DPSST Staff:

John Minnis, Director
Eriks Gabliks, Deputy Director
Cameron Campbell, Training Division Director
Marilyn Lorange, Certification and Records Supervisor (by teleconference)
Theresa King, Professional Standards Coordinator
Brian Henson, Private Security/Private Investigation Supervisor (by teleconference)
Karen Evans, Private Security Trainer/Investigator (by teleconference)
Jeanine Hohn, Public Information Officer (by teleconference)
Tammera Hinshaw, Executive Assistant to Deputy Director

Guests:
Sharron Noone, Oregon State University



1. Chair’s Report and Administrative Announcements

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

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

Approve minutes from October 19, 2006 Board meeting.

B. Hanchor, Kalles Jr. – Medical Waiver

Uphold recommendation of the Police Policy Committee to deny a waiver of the minimum hearing standards.

C. Strange, Keith – Medical Waiver

Uphold recommendation of the Corrections Policy Committee to approve a waiver of the visual acuity standard for Keith Strange relating to his “lazy eye.”

Uphold recommendation of the Corrections Policy Committee to deny a waiver of the depth perception standard for Keith Strange.

D. Vokral, Michael A. (DPSST#37004)

Uphold recommendation of the Corrections Policy Committee to NOT revoke Vokral’s certification based on the discretionary disqualifying convictions or violation of the established moral fitness standards for Oregon public safety officers.

E. Ruvalcaba, Antony (DPSST#31282)

Uphold recommendation of the Corrections Policy Committee to NOT revoke Ruvalcaba’s certifications based on the discretionary disqualifying convictions or violation of the established moral fitness standards for Oregon public safety officers.

F. Bennett, William J. (DPSST#44921)

Uphold recommendation of the Corrections Policy Committee to revoke Bennett’s certification based on violation of the established moral fitness standards for Oregon public safety officers.

G. Bell, Dennis (DPSST#07347)

Uphold recommendation of the Police Policy Committee to NOT revoke Bell's certification based on violation of the established moral fitness for Oregon public safety officers.

H. Ho, Kai (DPSST#39661)

Uphold recommendation of the Police Policy Committee to revoke Ho's certification based on violation of the established moral fitness standards for Oregon public safety officers.

I. Ash, Michael L. (DPSST#24561)

Uphold recommendations of the Police Policy Committee to revoke Ash's certification based on violation of the established moral fitness standards for Oregon public safety officers.

J. Hamilton, Harold (DPSST#16086)

Uphold recommendation of the Police Policy Committee to revoke Hamilton's certification based on violation of the established moral fitness standards for Oregon public safety officers.

K. Thayer, Ryan (DPSST#42659)

Uphold recommendation of the Police Policy Committee to revoke Thayer's certifications based on violation of the established moral fitness standards for Oregon public safety officers.

L. Maynard, Katherine

Uphold recommendation of the Private Security Policy Committee to grant Maynard's waiver of disqualifying criminal conviction for her PI license.

M. McCallum, Thomas D (License #2001655)

Uphold recommendation of the Private Security Policy Committee to assess McCall a civil penalty in the amount of \$5000.

N. Telecommunications Policy Committee New Appointment

Tami Atkinson, Associated Public Safety Communications Officers

James Whelan moved to approve the Consent Agenda as provided to the Board. Andrew Bentz seconded the motion. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.

2. Strategic Planning – Sharron Noone

Dr. Sharron Noone of Portland State University provided an update on the strategic planning process. Board members were asked to have any comments submitted by February 1, 2007 after which time DPSST will move ahead with the process.

3. Proposed Safe Cigarette Legislation – Nancy Orr

State Fire Marshal, Nancy Orr, gave a presentation on legislation (HB 2163) being introduced this session that would require that only fire-safe cigarettes be sold in Oregon. This is being requested because on an annual basis over 8,000 deaths take place in the United States because of fires caused by cigarettes. The Board was supportive of the concept and the work being done by the Office of State Fire Marshal and the Oregon Fire Safety Coalition.

- a. Mark Prince made motion for BPSST to support legislation. Jim Whelan seconded the motion. The motion failed with 12 nays to 5 ayes. The Board has not endorsed legislative efforts that are not connected to DPSST's mission or the training and certification of public safety professionals.
- b. Board members were encouraged to share this legislative proposal with their respective organizations. During discussion on the motion, several Board members were supportive of the issue and need for this legislation but were concerned about this being a Board issue. Most felt the various organizations represented on the Board were more appropriate for the motion.

4. Director's Report

Director Minnis gave the Board an update on various activities taking place at DPSST, both at the Academy in Salem and throughout the state.

- Governor's Recommended Budget (GRB) Update
- Listening Tour
- Legislative Session Update
- Fire Insurance Premium Tax
- Dates for Memorial Ceremonies
 1. Police Memorial – Thursday, May 10, 2007 at 1:00 p.m.
 2. Fire Memorial – Saturday, September 14, 2007 at 1:00 p.m.
- Construction Close-Out Update
- 16-Week Basic Police Course Implementation

5. Committee Reports

- Corrections Policy Committee – Bob Wolfe, Chair
 - The Curriculum Work Group is making progress and will have a report ready for the Corrections Policy Committee to review at its next meeting.
 - Sheriff Wolfe announced that Sheriff Todd Anderson of the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office has been selected by the Oregon State Sheriff's Association to take his seat on the Board and the Corrections Policy Committee when his last term expires in June.
- Fire Policy Committee – Jim Whelan, Chair
 - The committee is working on the Fireground Leader Standard update and will look at the possibility of a State Fire Academy at DPSST that has been discussed through the strategic planning process.

- Police Policy Committee – Bob Tardiff, Chair
 - Chief Andy Jordan from the Bend Police Department has taken Chief Lane Roberts' place on the Committee and Board and was welcomed to the group.
 - Chief Andy Jordan was appointed by Chair Tardiff to serve as a law enforcement representative on the Public Safety Memorial Fund Board.
 - Chief Bob Tardiff announced his retirement as Police Chief of Newberg effective February 1, 2007. This will leave a vacancy on the Board and Police Policy Committee for the Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police. This will also require that the Board elect a new Chair at its next meeting.
- Private Security Policy Committee – Harold Burke-Sivers, Chair
 - PSPIC will look at the results of the DPSST Listening Tour.
 - Eric Meyer and Harold will be attending the Police Policy Committee to discuss some common issues between the two professions.
 - The Curriculum Committee has been meeting on revamping of tests and the creation of a field training manual.
 - The Curriculum Committee has been working with Portland Community College and is looking at delivering supplemental training and education opportunities for private security professionals
- Telecommunications Policy Committee – Eric Swanson, Chair
 - The Curriculum Committee is working diligently on updating the basic Telecommunications Course
 - Telecomm is considering requiring students that attend the Basic Telecommunications Course at the academy wear the DPSST student BDUs. This will be discussed at their next meeting in February.

Other

Multi-Purpose Room

DPSST Staff asked the Board to consider naming the multi-purpose room as the *Hall of Heroes* as way to honor the best public safety has to offer. The memorials in front of the academy recognize public safety professionals who have given their lives in the service of our state. Each year we also have a number of public safety professionals across the state that encounter incidents that result in various acts of bravery, valor and heroism. The *Hall of Heroes* would highlight these individuals through a number of displays that would be rotated on an on-going basis that describe the individuals and the acts that lead to recognition. DPSST staff would work with the various statewide organizations to solicit information on these individuals.

Bob Wolfe moved to approve naming the multi-purpose room the Hall of Heroes. Eric Meyer seconded the motion. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.

Chari Tardiff reminded the Board members to return the Director's evaluations to DPSST.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.