The Executive Committee of the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training held a teleconference on March 8th, 2007 at the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. Bob Wolfe called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Attendees

Committee Members:

Harold Burke-Sivers, Chair of Private Security Policy Committee
Jim Whelan, Chair of Fire Policy Committee
Eric Swanson, Chair of Telecommunications Policy Committee
Bob Wolfe, Chair of Corrections Policy Committee and Board Vice-Chair

DPSST Staff:

John Minnis, Director
Eriks Gabliks, Deputy Director
Brian Henson, Private Security and Private Investigators Supervisor
Charlene Barber, Executive Assistant

1. Approval of February 8th, 2007 Meeting Minutes

James Whelan moved to approve the minutes from the February 8th, 2007 Executive Committee meeting and Eric Swanson seconded the motion. The motion carried in an unanimous vote.

2. *OAR 259-061-0260 – Proposed Administrative Rule

Continuing Education (CE) Guideline

Brian Henson provided the background for the proposed Administrative Rule for continuing education. The Private Investigator sub-committee met regularly over the last year, seeking input from its constituents during sub-committee meetings and through a variety of on-line forums and association meetings. The focus of the sub-committee was to
expand CEU (Continuing Education Units) opportunities especially to those Private Investigators who live and work in rural parts of the state. In addition, the sub-committee sought to limit the number of units that could be applied under certain defined categories. The sub-committee provided its proposals to PSPIC (Private Security Private Investigator Committee) at the September 14, 2006 meeting. The committee approved the proposal. DPSST staff then drafted and prepared the Administrative Rule set as proposed, which was then reviewed by the investigators sub-committee and moved forward with full committee recommendation to the Board. A Public Hearing will be scheduled as part of the Proposed Rule making session.

*Eric Swanson proposed that the committee move to approve the filing of the proposed OAR 259-061-0260 to the Secretary of State. Harold Burke-Sivers seconded the motion. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.*

*Eric Swanson proposed that the committee recommend the filing OAR 259-061-0260 to the Secretary of State as a temporary rule. Harold Burke-Sivers seconded the motion. The motion carried in a unanimous vote.*

_Eriks Gabliks brought forth the following DPSST updates._

- **Police Policy Committee Elect Chair**
  
  The Police Policy Committee elected Sheriff Andrew Bentz of Malheur County as Chair to replace Police Chief Bob Tardiff of the Newberg Police Department. Bob’s retirement party is March 23rd, 2007 and DPSST will be presenting him with a plaque for his many years of service on the Board and Police Policy Committee at the gathering. Andy Jordan was selected as Vice-Chair of the Police Policy Committee.

- **Memorial Wall**
  
  The Police Policy Committee has approved the addition of four names to the Police Memorial Wall. All four are from events that took place in previous years but were never submitted for inclusion on the memorial.

- **Rule Update**
  
  DPSST staff is working to clarify Education in the rules used by the Board and the agency. With the growth of distance learning programs and other non-traditional vehicles this has been an area that has had lots of discussion.

- **OSP Integration**
  
  As of April 4th DPSST will have four Basic Police classes in session. The Oregon State Police also has its new hires in the Basic Police Class and the relationship has been great with city, county and state law enforcement officers working together.

- **Nike**
DPSST continues to work with the Oregon Department of Justice and Nike on the collaboration agreement that will define the parameters of two projects. The first will collect VO2 data from students attending the academy. The second will be for students and staff to evaluate tactical footwear being created by Nike. Students will be allowed to participate in either or both projects only with the permission of their employing agency. Details are still in the works between DOJ and Nike but we anticipate having the program off the ground by the fall.

- **Telecommunication Classes**

  Telecommunication students will wear the same uniforms that are being worn by other basic classes at the academy. This issue was discussed at the Telecommunications Policy Committee meeting and at the recent meeting of the Oregon Chapter of APCO and NENA (Association of Public Safety Communications Officials) (National Emergency Number Association).

- **Fire Policy Committee**

  Fire Policy Committee re-elect Jim Whelan to serve as Chair. Kelly Bach was re-elected as Vice-Chair.

- **Command College**

  DPSST is hosting the California Leadership and Ethics Train-the-Trainer Course. This one-week class will allow graduates to deliver a four-week class with a focus on leadership and ethics. This could be a class that could meet the needs of a command college that has been discussed for a number of years. Twenty students from various public safety agencies have registered to attend. Upon completion of the course, DPSST will evaluate the materials to see how the course could be delivered in Oregon. In addition DPSST will look at how to market the course to enlist attendees.

- **Legislative**

  There have been a number of bills of interest to DPSST and BPSST. The first involves mental health. This bill would require that all students attending the Basic Police class have the 40 hour Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) class as part of the course. DPSST is supportive of the need for this type of training but does not agree on the vehicle being proposed. DPSST believes that this training is best offered on a county level similar to child abuse MDT. This way local law enforcement agencies and local mental health providers have network in place through which a local system can be built. Offering the training through the academy addresses only the law enforcement training element and does little if anything to create the network with the local mental health resources which differ across the state. The new 16-week Basic Police Course includes 16 hours of mental health training and DPSST proposed that 8 hours of scenario-based training time be allocated to mental health issues which brings the total to 24 hours. DPSST’s training curriculum embraces the concepts covered in the Memphis, TN Police Department CIT Program which is being used as the model nationally. DPSST has been active in the Senate Mental Health Caucus which is supportive of this proposal.
DPSST also has been working with the Governor’s Office on the training of Oregon Humane Society Investigators. This training is currently provided on a space available and fee for service basis. The Investigators are commissioned by the Governor with limited peace officer power. A bill introduced this session would make DPSST the commissioning agency but DPSST has asked that this power remain with the Governor because this function does not fit within DPSST’s mission.

- **Next Board Meeting**

  The next Board Meeting is moved to April 26, 2007.

  *John Minnis adds to DPSST update.*

- **Ways and Means**

  The Governor has requested a list of capitol construction projects for next phase and DPSST is looking for program increases in the future. DPSST will be done with all construction on site by June 30th, 2007 at the latest.

- **Co Chair Budget**

  DPSST are waiting for the Co Chair Budget to come out.

- **Donations**

  DPSST is receiving a lot of donations for the Scenario Barn, but want to be careful about just taking anything and have it end up in state surplus.

- **DPSST Visitors**

  Rod Lucich from Portland and Bill Booth from San Diego visited DPSST. They want to build on their regional training program.

- **Construction**

  The DPSST facility has some material problems and want the COP extended.

- **HB2593**

  Prozanski PERS amendment.

*There being no further business to bring before the Committee, Bob Wolfe adjourned the meeting at 1:55 pm.*