

**BOARD OF TESTS FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG INFLUENCE
REGULAR MEETING
Oklahoma Department of Public Safety Complex,
W.C. (Sarge) Smith Training Room
3600 North Martin Luther King Avenue, Building 9,
Oklahoma City, OK, 73111.
February 28, 2011
MINUTES**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Kenneth Blick, O.U. Health Sciences Center
Dr. Larry Birney, CLEET
Mr. Steve Brookman, OSBI
Chief Byron Cox, Weatherford Police Dept.
Sheriff John Whetsel, Oklahoma County

STAFF PRESENT:

J. Robert Blakeburn, State Director
Toby Taylor, Administrative Asst.
Jenifer Martin, Administrative Tech.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dr. Nicole Zitterkopf, OK Dept. of Health
Major Rusty Rhoades, Oklahoma Highway Patrol

GUESTS:

Jimmy Bunn, Jr., OSBI
Tim Levey, Smart Start
John Wickstrom, Smart Start
DeAnn Taylor, DPS
Paul Wallace, OSBI
Louis Flowers, Weatherford Police Dept.
Kim Richey, CLEET

1. Call Meeting to Order

Action Taken: Chairman Dr. Kenneth Blick called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. Roll was taken; five members were present representing a quorum.

2. Approval of Minutes

Action Taken: Sheriff John Whetsel made a motion to approve the minutes of both the August 11, 2010 Regular Meeting and the September 2, 2010 Special Meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Steve Brookman. A roll call vote was taken

with the following results: Chairman Kenneth Blick voted yes; Dr. Larry Birney voted yes; Mr. Steve Brookman voted yes; Chief Byron Cox voted yes; and Sheriff John Whetsel voted yes. The motion carried 5-0.

3. Report from State Director

4B. Action Taken: Chief Byron Cox made a motion to accept the Directors Report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Steve Brookman. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Chairman Kenneth Blick voted yes; Dr. Larry Birney voted yes; Mr. Steve Brookman voted yes; Chief Byron Cox voted yes; and Sheriff John Whetsel voted yes. The motion carried 5-0.

5A. Demonstration of New Website

Administrative Assistant Toby Taylor demonstrated the functionality of the Board's new web management suite (www.bot.ok.gov).

Action Taken: No action taken.

5B. Consideration of Reduction of the Number of Vials in a Standard Blood Kit.

Mr. Steve Brookman addressed the members and advised that due to budget stress, the OSBI was looking at the possibility of changing the number of vials in a blood kit from four vials to two vials. Mr. Brookman said the OSBI paid \$52,000.00 for four vial blood kits last year and the cost for the same number of four vial kits this year increased to \$74,000.00. This is a 29% increase. Chairman Blick questioned whether the reduction from four to two vials would create a "Quantity Not Sufficient (QNS)" problem. Mr. Brookman answered there are 4,000 cases per year, of which 2% present a QNS problem. Sheriff Whetsel asked Mr. Brookman how many blood kits are disposed of each year. Mr. Brookman answered the vast majority. Sheriff Whetsel stated Missouri, Kansas, Texas and Arkansas use one vial in their blood kits. Sheriff Whetsel advised the number of vials in a blood kit is not indicated in any current rule or law and felt the Board could not set a standard. Sheriff Whetsel discussed a motion to encourage the OSBI to continue using the four vial blood kits and to add statutory language requiring the defendant to pay for the cost of the blood kits. Mr. Brookman agreed if the OSBI could work out the budget issues.

5C. Motion to Approve or Disapprove a Change in the Number of Vials in a Standard Blood Kit .

Action Taken: Sheriff Whetsel made a motion that the Board support statutory language requiring the defendant to pay for the cost of the blood kits. The motion was seconded by Dr. Birney. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Chairman Kenneth Blick voted yes; Dr. Larry Birney voted yes; Mr. Steve Brookman voted yes; Chief Byron Cox voted yes; and Sheriff John Whetsel voted yes. The motion carried 5-0.

5D. Consideration of Press Release Regarding Website Improvements.

Administrative Assistant Toby Taylor discussed a press release written by Oklahoma Interactive announcing the launch of Board's new web management suite (www.bot.ok.gov).

5E. Motion to Approve or Disapprove Press Release.

Action Taken: Mr. Steve Brookman made a motion to approve the press release. The motion was seconded by Sheriff John whetsel. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Chairman Kenneth Blick voted yes; Dr. Larry Birney voted yes; Mr. Steve Brookman voted yes; Chief Byron Cox voted yes; and Sheriff John Whetsel voted yes. The motion carried 5-0.

5. Report from Chairman.

Chairman Blick commended the work of the Board and staff.

Action Taken: No action taken.

8. Consideration of any statements by the Public.

Action Taken: No action taken.

9. Adjournment

Action Taken: A motion was made by Chief Byron Cox to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Steve Brookman. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Chairman Kenneth Blick voted yes; Dr. Larry Birney voted yes; Mr. Steve Brookman voted yes; Chief Byron Cox voted yes; and Sheriff John Whetsel voted yes. The motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Kenneth Blick adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Kenneth Blick
Chairman

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