

Advisory Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training
REGULAR MEETING
K. O. Rayburn Training Center, 2401 Egypt Road, Ada, Oklahoma 74820
April 3, 2014
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chief Danny Ford, Chairman, Duncan Police Dept.
Cpt. Blake Green, Vice-Chair, Norman Police Dept.
Asst. Chief Brandon Berryhill, Broken Arrow P.D.
Director Jeff Harp, Univ. Central Oklahoma
Deputy Chief David Houser, Durant P.D.
Special Agent Kurt Stoner, FBI
Agent Jason Tucker, OBNDD
Major Bill Weaver, Oklahoma City P.D.

STAFF PRESENT:

Steve Emmons, Executive Director
Charles Gerhart, Assistant Director
Briana Tully, Special Project Coordinator
Laurie Schweinle, Recording Secretary

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Undersheriff Tim Albin, Tulsa County
Chief BJ Dudley, Prague P.D.
Chief Rex Eskridge, Muskogee P.D.
Sheriff Scott Jay, Beckham County
Sheriff Jerry Niles, Garfield County S.O.
Chief Harvey Rutherford, Woodward P.D.
Cpt. Brent Sugg, Oklahoma Highway Patrol
Major Rob Turner, Tulsa P.D.

Guests:

Bo Walker, Duncan P.D.
Cpt. John Paul, Oklahoma Highway Patrol

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Danny Ford called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Roll was called, and 8 members were present. There was not a quorum.

2. Approval of Minutes

This item was tabled until the next meeting due to lack of quorum.

3. Department of Corrections Vacancy

This item was tabled until the next meeting due to lack of quorum.

4. Curriculum Review Board

Director Emmons advised members that CLEET staff were reviewing the process by which curriculum was being revised. He also advised that CLEET was hosting its first ever Reserve Academy and hopes to continue to host one per year.

5. Divisional Reports

Director Emmons advised members that CLEET staff were nearing the end of the suspension process. He reported that the numbers were down by about 50% this year.

6. Legislative/Rule Changes Update

Director Emmons reported that all of CLEET's bills had passed through committee. He then gave a summary of SB 1393, and members had a general discussion about suspensions and the effect SB 1393 could have on departments.

Director Emmons then gave summaries of SB 1407 and SB 1474. Members discussed the concerns that have recently arisen with home school diplomas and entrance into the CLEET Basic Academy.

Director Emmons reported that Senator Shortey ran SB 1075 to allow CLEET to keep 100% of the fees the Private Security Division collects. He advised that if this is passed CLEET may be faced with a 5% cut to its budget this year but that the long term benefits to this bill would outweigh a budget cut as the Private Security Division would become self-sufficient.

7. Director's Report

Briana Tully, CLEET Special Project Coordinator, presented members with information regarding CLEET's upcoming training initiatives. She advised that the first would be held at Northeastern State University – Broken Arrow May 13-16, 2014. She reported that firearm requalifications would be available at the Broken Arrow range as well as multiple classes each day at the university. She then advised that the training initiative normally held in September at the Moore-Norman Technology Center was in need of a new location as they would not be able to host this year. Several members offered suggestions for alternative sites.

Briana Tully then advised members about an Amber Alert conference being held at the University of Central Oklahoma in July. Director Emmons added that many outside organizations are open to bringing training to Oklahoma at no cost, including The Innocence Project, which would like to offer training in Oklahoma regarding eyewitness testimony.

Director Emmons then advised members that the Council had been presented with their recommendation to allow CLEET instructors access to curriculum and had taken action to allow curriculum to be released to CLEET certified instructors with appropriate assurances that the curriculum will not be shared. Director Emmons told members that CLEET General Counsel James Wilson had proposed having instructors sign an affidavit to assist with this, and the Council had agreed.

Director Emmons then reported that CLEET had received its first request for an off-site firearms instructor school from the OSBI. He advised that staff has developed a process for these requests and that attendees would be required to complete Phase VI at CLEET. He also advised members that Oklahoma County had requested off-site firearms and defensive tactics instructor schools. Members

discussed how CLEET could better maintain oversight of off-site instructor schools.

Director Emmons then reported on the new distance education technology CLEET had been utilizing, Go To Training. He advised that everything was working as it should and classes were filling up.

Director Emmons updated members with the status of CLEET's current academies. He reported that A1401 would graduate April 18 and the first bridge academy had begun with 72 students attending. Director Emmons advised members that the bridge academy had received some complaints regarding the requirement of physical training. Members expressed their support for the physical training.

8. New Business

There was no discussion.

9. Adjournment

Chairman Danny Ford dismissed the meeting at 11:08 a.m.