

COUNCIL ON LAW ENFORCEMENT EDUCATION AND TRAINING
REGULAR MEETING
OSBI Forensic Science Center, 800 E. 2nd, Edmond, OK
April 20, 2016
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sheriff John Whetsel, Oklahoma County
Chief Michael Robinson, OSU DPS
Dr. James Burke, East Central University
Sheriff John Christian, Pontotoc County
Chief Bill Citty, Oklahoma City Police Dept.
Director Stan Florence, OSBI
Director Norman McNickle, DPS City of Stillwater
Chief Bob Ricks, Edmond Police Dept.
Chief Ike Shirley, Bixby Police Dept.

STAFF PRESENT:

Steve Emmons, Executive Director
Charles Gerhart, Assistant Director
John Parker, Director of Administration
James Wilson, General Counsel
Laurie Schweinle, Recording Secretary

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Major Pat Mays, Oklahoma Highway Patrol
Director John Scully, OBND
Chief Jason Smith, Anadarko Police Dept.
Chief Randy Wesley, Chickasaw Nation Lighthouse
Police Dept.

GUESTS:

Carter Cogburn, OJA
Ronnie Meeks, OJA
Carrie Carman, OMES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairman Whetsel called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

2. Open Meeting Act Compliance

Sheriff Whetsel confirmed that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

3. Roll Call

Roll was called, and eight members were present, representing a quorum.

4. Approval of Minutes

There was no discussion.

Action Taken: Chief Robinson made a motion to approve the January 20, 2016, and March 15, 2016, minutes as written. Director McNickle seconded the motion. Sheriff Whetsel voted yes. Chief

Robinson voted yes. Dr. Burke voted yes. Sheriff Christian voted yes. Director Florence voted yes. Director McNickle voted yes. Chief Ricks voted yes. Chief Shirley voted yes. The motion carried 8-0.

5. Committee and Board Reports

There was no discussion.

6. Advisory Council Composition

There was no discussion.

Action Taken: Chief Ricks made a motion to reappoint Chief David Houser, Durant PD, and appoint Major Wade Gourley, OKC PD, to the Advisory Council. Sheriff Christian seconded the motion. Sheriff Whetsel voted yes. Chief Robinson voted yes. Dr. Burke voted yes. Sheriff Christian voted yes. Director Florence voted yes. Director McNickle voted yes. Chief Ricks voted yes. Chief Shirley voted yes. The motion carried 8-0.

7. Curriculum Review Board Composition

There was no discussion.

Action Taken: Sheriff Christian made a motion to reappoint Chief Don Sweger, Guthrie PD, to the Curriculum Review Board. Chief Robinson seconded the motion. Sheriff Whetsel voted yes. Chief Robinson voted yes. Dr. Burke voted yes. Sheriff Christian voted yes. Director Florence voted yes. Director McNickle voted yes. Chief Ricks voted yes. Chief Shirley voted yes. The motion carried 8-0.

8. Oklahoma Office of Juvenile Affairs Request

Director Emmons advised members that the Ada OJA office needed a new facility and had been to CLEET to look at available office space. Carrie Carman, OMES, advised Council members that there is a state mandate for agencies to assist each other and leasing space to OJA would achieve efficiencies of space. She said the price proposed was fair and addressed privacy and records concerns by saying that OJA is housed in courthouses and other office buildings around the state.

Chief Ricks asked what the total revenue would be for CLEET per year. John Parker, CLEET Director of Administration, said it would be approximately \$18,000.

Chief Citty entered the meeting at 10:14 a.m.

Dr. Burke asked where the juveniles would be going when they came in the building. Carter Cogburn, OJA, said most clients will come to an intake worker. Director Emmons added that there would need to be an escort for all clients. Mr. Cogburn said they have yet to have a problem with a client and that their office has been moved a lot and they would like a long term solution. Ms. Carman advised that the interagency agreement would be set up for CLEET to cancel at any time.

Members then discussed the best way for this to become long term, including adding a separate entrance and parking.

Sheriff Whetsel asked when this move would potentially take place. Ms. Carman said as soon as possible. Sheriff Christian asked what the normal hours of operation are. Mr. Cogburn said normally it

is 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., but there are times when evening and weekend access would be needed.

Action Taken: Director McNickle made a motion to allow Director Emmons and CLEET staff to negotiate with OJA and DEQ on whether or not to lease space to them. Chief Ricks seconded the motion. Sheriff Whetsel voted yes. Chief Robinson voted yes. Dr. Burke voted yes. Sheriff Christian voted yes. Director Florence voted yes. Director McNickle voted yes. Chief Ricks voted yes. Chief Shirley voted yes. The motion carried 8-0.

9. Curriculum Review Board Recommendations

Assistant Director Gerhart explained the proposed changes which include adding a low light scenario to defensive tactics and moving more hours into practical exercises for criminal investigations. He said there will not be a reduction in hours for either. Chief Citty asked if this would add any costs to the academy, and Assistant Director Gerhart said it would not.

Action Taken: Director Florence made a motion to approve the proposed changes to Defensive Tactics and Criminal Investigations presented. Chief Shirley seconded the motion. Sheriff Whetsel voted yes. Chief Robinson voted yes. Dr. Burke voted yes. Sheriff Christian voted yes. Chief Citty voted yes. Director Florence voted yes. Director McNickle voted yes. Chief Ricks voted yes. Chief Shirley voted yes. The motion carried 9-0.

10. CLEET Financial Report

There was no discussion.

11. Oklahoma County Request for BID

Sheriff Whetsel explained that Oklahoma County SO needs more basic instructors to instruct classes. Charles Gerhart, CLEET Assistant Director, explained the proposed language in the packets. Chief Ricks asked if this changed anything for academy cities, and Assistant Director Gerhart said it would not but their instructors could attend this and be able to teach outside officers.

Action Taken: Chief Robinson made a motion to approve the Basic Instructor Development Instructor proposal as written. Director Florence seconded the motion. Sheriff Whetsel voted yes. Chief Robinson voted yes. Dr. Burke voted yes. Sheriff Christian voted yes. Chief Citty voted yes. Director Florence voted yes. Director McNickle voted yes. Chief Ricks voted yes. Chief Shirley voted yes. The motion carried 9-0.

12. Tulsa Technology Center

Director Emmons advised members that CLEET was looking for other ways to get training out like the off-site academies that were held last year. He said that Tulsa Technology Center has offered CLEET a suite of offices and a classroom at no charge to the agency. He said CLEET could use it for academies and continuing education.

13. Legislative Update

Director Emmons advised members that SB 953 had been laid over on the House floor after a lengthy discussion. He also advised that SB 952 and SB 954 were headed to the Governor's desk, and that SB 959 had the title off and amendments were made. He then mentioned that SB 1202 was supposed to go

to conference and that CLEET would like to insert some language in there to allow for CLEET to collect money from agencies for academy expenses.

14. Actions Against Peace Officers

There was no discussion.

15. Divisional Reports

There was no discussion.

16. Director's Report

Director Emmons advised members that OHP Chief Rick Adams had offered their academy space to CLEET for an off-site academy location in the OKC metro as they will not be having an academy.

Director Emmons also advised members that CLEET had some carryover money about to expire and had gone to the legislature about using it to repair part of the track, and they had approved that.

17. Board Comments

There was no discussion.

18. New Business

There was no discussion.

19. Adjournment

Action Taken: Sheriff Christian made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chief Robinson seconded the motion. Sheriff Whetsel voted yes. Chief Robinson voted yes. Dr. Burke voted yes. Sheriff Christian voted yes. Chief Citty voted yes. Director Florence voted yes. Director McNickle voted yes. Chief Ricks voted yes. Chief Shirley voted yes. The motion carried 9-0.

The meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.