

Law and Justice Commission

MTU 8

Minutes

December 14, 2010

Members Present:

Chris Lane	Brent Wick	Rusty Thomas	Robert Siron
Dale Sparks	Nichol Bleichner	Dale Newsome	Hugh Roop
Greg Scott	Mark Doran	Scott Schaefer	Beth Kimmerling
David Warner	Marty Meredith	Tim Henson	

Staff Present:

Mark Kotte Denelle Hetrick

- I. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Siron at 1:05 p.m. at Heartland Community College in Normal, IL
- II. Roll call and establishment of quorum: Sign-in sheet passed around and quorum established.
- III. Motion was made by Thomas and seconded by Wick to approve September 7 meeting minutes – all in favor - motion carried
- IV. Financial Report: Motion to approve September, October & November expenses made by Newsome and seconded by Thomas – voice roll call vote taken with all voting yea – motion carried
- V. Correspondence
- VI. New Business
 - A. Director's report on December 8 & 9 State Training Board meeting
 1. The ASSIST meeting was cancelled
 2. It was reported that enrollment is down at all academies
 3. Surcharge funds down but the State Training Board feels they should go back up and be at last year's levels
 4. New State Training Board members: Rolando Villafuerte and Artis Yancey
 5. State Training Board has approved MTU FY2011 budgets
 6. A 1.67% raise for MTU staff was presented. Approval was postponed until the March 2011 State Training Board meeting
 7. The federal statute permitting active and retired law enforcement officers to carry concealed handguns has changed. It was previously stated that an officer had to have at least 15 years of service and it is now stated an officer must have at least 10 years of service. It was also previously stated that an officer had to have retired and it is now stated that an officer has to have separated in good standing. IROCC will make the necessary modifications to the program to reflect the Federal law.

8. Public Act 96-1111 (SB 3491), effective January 1, 2012 - Requires special certification for officers who are assigned as lead investigators in death/homicide investigations. ILETSB has sent surveys out to all police agencies. It is urged that all agencies fill out and return the surveys. An advisory committee formed by ILETSB will meet in January to review the surveys and work on determining criteria and what courses will consist of. It is planned to present the criteria at the June 2011 State Board meeting for approval.
 9. Moore v. Trent – Current litigation involving correctional officers the right to participate in IROCC. An update will be given at the March 2011 meeting.
 10. University of Illinois announced on November 17 that PTI does not fit into the future plans of U of I, further stating PTI does not fit into the U of I's mission. It is currently scheduled for PTI to shut down at U of I prior to December 31, 2011. Legislators from that area have spoken to U of I and the State Training Board. They are attempting to have legislation passed to fund PTI at U of I. The Director of ILETSB has stated the Board has stated all of the training programs provided by PTI will be continued with a new academy or existing academies.
- B. Director stated IMRF rate for 2011 will be 20.71%.
 - C. Director stated the FY2010 Annual Report has been completed. If anyone wants a copy of the Annual Report, please contact the office.
 - D. Director stated the MTU would like to purchase Airsoft pistols and equipment. A motion was made by Newsome and seconded by Thomas to purchase Airsoft pistols and equipment with the amount not to exceed \$1500.00 – voice roll call vote was taken with all voting yea – motion carried
 - E. Director stated Heartland will be closed December 24 through January 2. Calls will be forwarded to MTU staff cell phones.
 - F. Audit - Director stated the contract between the State Training Board and Sikich is up. The contract is currently out for bid. It was stated by the Board that each MTU would be requested to find an independent auditor for the FY2010 audit with the conditions being put in a letter from the Board and sent to all MTUs. To date the MTU has not received a letter.
 - G. Director stated the Needs Assessment will be sent out in January. It is encouraged that all departments fill out the assessment.
 - H. Director stated an IROCC qualification was held on November 12.
 - I. Camera grant applications be accepted until December 30. Applications can be found on the State Training Board's website. Departments who have previously sent in applications but have not been awarded grant funds do not need to submit a new application.
 - J. Henson introduced Sheriff Meredith

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Reminder that Sheriffs, Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs must complete the state mandated annual 20 hours of training by December 31 per Public Act 94-354
- B. Director stated a concern regarding training locations/dates being posted on the MTU's website was tabled at the September meeting. After a brief discussion, it was decided locations/dates would remain on the website
- C. Director stated an inquiry regarding the possibility of video recording PPCT practical exercises to have documentation when injuries or alleged injuries occur was tabled at the September meeting. After some discussion, it was decided the Director would contact PPCT regarding legalities. Topic tabled until next meeting.

VIII. CURRICULUM

- A. BAO recertification is now online.
- B. Cell Phone Technology for Investigators: Jan. 10 & 11
- C. Advanced Techniques for Unresolved Death Investigations: Jan. 17 - 21
- D. Emotional Survival: Feb. 01
- E. Preventing Biased Policing: Feb. 08
- F. Crisis Management for School Based Incidents: Feb. 16
- G. Criminal Drug Interdiction: Feb. 21-23
- H. TASER Instructor/Recertification February 23 & 24
- I. Legal & Critical Tasks for Patrol Officers: March 03
- J. C.I.T.: March 07 – 11.
- K. Rapid Medical Response: March 22 & March 29 (co-hosted with MTU 12 in either Paxton or Gibson City)
- L. Criminal Investigative Techniques: April 11 – 15
- M. Leadership & Personal Development: April 18

IX. No executive session was held

X. Motion to adjourn made by Kimmerling and seconded by Thomas – all in favor – motion carried

Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. at Heartland Community College, Room CCB 2012.