

Law and Justice Commission

MTU 8

Minutes

October 14, 2014

Members Present:

Rick Davis	Brendan Heffner	Jon Sandage	Pat Hahn
Nichol Bleichner	Dale Sparks	Rusty Thomas	
Larry Mowery	Rick Bleichner	Brent Wick	
Chris Lane	Michael Donovan	Pat O'Grady	

Staff Present:

Mark Kotte Denelle Hetrick

Members of the Public Present:

Randy Wilson

- I. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Davis at 1:07 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 Sparks and seconded by Mowery to approve September 9, 2014 meeting minutes – all in favor - motion carried
- IV. Financial Report: Motion to approve August expenses made by R. Bleichner and seconded by Lane – voice roll call vote taken with all voting yea – motion carried. Motion to approve September expenses made by R. Bleichner and seconded by Heffner – voice roll call vote taken with all voting yea – motion carried.
- V. Davis read a letter from Beth Kimmerling dated 9/15/14 stating after serving as the MTU 8 Treasurer for the past eleven years, she will be resigning from the position with an effective date of 10/14/14. Davis, on behalf of the Advisory Board, stated all the work Kimmerling has done on the Executive Board has been appreciated. Motion was made by Thomas and seconded by Sparks to accept Kimmerling's resignation from the Treasurer position - all in favor - motion carried
- VI. New Business
 - A. Director reported on the State Training Board meeting that was held on 9/3 & 9/4/14.
 1. An ASSIST meeting was held
 2. The updated basic law enforcement curriculum is planned to begin on 1/1/16.
 3. Mandatory firearms training for probation officers takes effect on 1/1/15.
 4. New instructor applications are on the ILESTB website
 5. The IDOT contract has been signed

6. All MTU courses submitted to the State Training Board were approved
7. MTUs will now send a copy of all rosters to ILETSB
8. The State Training Board was approved to hire four new people.
9. Curriculum regarding veterans issues & post-traumatic stress disorder takes effect 1/1/15.
10. Pat Hahn stated legislation is being presented to provide grants to law enforcement agencies for body cameras.

B. Hiring process for new Director:

- Assemble advertisement and obtain approval from Advisory Board members by 10/22/14
- Begin advertisement on 10/24/14
- End advertisement on 11/7/14
- Interview Committee review applications during the week of 11/10–11/14/14
- Schedule and conduct interviews 11/17 – 11/28/14
- Present recommendation at the 12/9/14 Advisory Board meeting

An interview committee was formed. Members of the interview committee are Rick Davis, Mark Doran, Nichol Bleichner, Brendan Heffner, and Pat Hahn. Davis stated he would also reach out to Tony Childress and ask him to be on the committee.

- C. Nominations for Treasurer and voting will take place during the next meeting scheduled for 12/9/14.
- D. Davis suggested getting a plaque for Beth Kimmerling for her years of service.
- E. Director stated the FY2014 audit is completed. The Executive Board has received a copy of the audit. If anyone else would like a copy, please contact the office.
- F. Motion was made by Thomas and seconded by N. Bleichner to accept Mark Kotte's resignation - all in favor - motion carried

VII. Old Business

- A. Reminder to all Police Chiefs & Deputy Police Chiefs regarding State mandated training – 20 hours annually (Public Act 94-354).
- B. Director asked if there is interest in holding ALICE training. It was decided to table this issue. If the schools decide to adopt this training, then possibly look into it.
- C. Director stated the MTU 8 offices will be moving to the National Guard Readiness Center on Heartland's campus. The move can take place in either November or January. The Advisory Board stated it may be best to move in November before the transition with a new Director.

VIII. Curriculum

- A. Director stated some courses coming up currently have low enrollment. He encouraged everyone to take a look at these courses.

- IX. Executive Session - Motion was made by R. Bleichner and seconded by Thomas to go into executive session. Staff and all those who are not voting members were asked to leave the room. Entered executive session at 2:00 p.m. Adjourned from executive session at 2:40 p.m.
- X. No public input was requested
- XI. Motion made by Thomas and seconded by R. Bleichner to adjourn - all in favor - motion carried

Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at Heartland Community College, Room CCB 1406.