



# *Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board*

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## **Minutes of Meeting January 17, 2018**

A public meeting of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board Budget Subcommittee was convened on January 17, 2018, at the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board, located at 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

### Members Present:

Chief Alan Rodbell, Scottsdale Police Department, Chairman  
Sergeant Leo Aparicio, Pinal County Sheriff's Office  
Chief Debora Black, Prescott Police Department  
Mr. Phil Case, AZ Department of Public Safety  
Mr. Andy LeFevre, Grand Canyon University  
Chief Randy Taylor, Clarkdale Police Department

### Staff in Attendance:

Jack G. Lane, Executive Director  
Dan Ciernia, Digital Media Supervisor  
Marie Dryer, Program Administrator  
Mark Perkovich, Program Administrator  
Lynn Pirkle, Administrative Services Officer  
Sandy Sierra, Administrative Services Officer  
Dale Wyman, Digital Media Specialist

### Assistant Attorney General:

Michael Saltz

### **A. Call to Order**

Chairman Rodbell called the meeting to order at 1:41 p.m.

### **B. Review, Discussion and Possible Action on AZPOST Financial Status and Future Funding Plan for Basic Training Academies for FY 2019**

Chairman Rodbell stated the last time the Subcommittee met he asked Executive Director Lane and staff to prepare the required documents the Subcommittee asked for at the previous meeting to present at this meeting. He stated this Subcommittee was originally formed due to sheriffs and chiefs stating they had concerns regarding funding for entry level training and the need to make this a priority throughout the state. The Board heard this very clearly and formed this Subcommittee. When the Subcommittee met previously

it provided feedback and had some concerns; the Subcommittee asked for more documentation. He met with Executive Director Lane and reviewed the packet he prepared. This packet includes proposals as possible solutions to insure we address the concerns and wishes of the area chiefs and sheriffs in terms of prioritizing funding for entry level training. He also stated the governor’s office is proposing \$837,000 additional funding for AZPOST to be used to further support entry level training needs throughout the state.

Executive Director Lane presented a funding recommendation model and two recommended proposals to the Subcommittee to review and if the Subcommittee agrees, then make a recommendation to the full AZPOST Board for approval. The proposals are based upon projected CJEF revenues for FY 2019; if implemented it would commence July 1, 2018. It is based solely upon on CJEF revenue and any monies allocated by the legislature will supplement this and adjustments will be made. The proposals are based upon the following assumptions:

- AZ POST will no longer provide housing costs for recruits in travel status.
- AZ POST will no longer provide per diem reimbursements to agencies for recruits in travel status during the training academy.
- AZ POST will no longer provide ammunition reimbursement to academies for recruits who graduate (\$750 per day).
- AZ POST will no longer provide separate block Grants/IGAs to academies as previously practiced.
- This funding model is based upon projected CJEF revenues for FY 2019. Future fiscal years will be based upon associated revenue projections.
- Monies normally associated with the top four above will be applied to the funding model for basic training academies.
- Adjustments to funding allocated to AZPOST In-Service Training will be applied to the fund model for basic training academies.
- Based upon the projections of revenue and recruits in training, AZPOST will provide, prior to the start of each fiscal year, a fixed dollar amount to be reimbursed to the academies for each recruit. AZPOST will utilize if available, annual carry forward monies to ensure funding remains constant for that fiscal year.

The two proposals are:

1. Fiscal Year 2019 Budget – Basic Training

A. Projected amount available for basic training:	\$1,800,000
B. Projected recruits attending basic training academies:	1000
C. Amount reimbursed to academies per recruit graduate:	\$1800

## 2. Fiscal Year 2019 Budget – Basic Training

A. Projected amount available for basic training:	\$1,800,000
B. Projected recruits attending basic training academies:	1000
C. Amount reimbursed to academies per recruit graduate:	\$1700
D. Amount reimbursed to academies per fail recruit (+50%)*	\$900

\*Recruits must have completed at minimum 50% of the academy curriculum.

Amount budgeted for this reimbursement is based on a 10% average failure rate.

Executive Director Lane stated AZPOST would propose that the Subcommittee recommend Proposal #2 to the Board. This proposal provides a fair and balanced funding mechanism to all the academies supporting basic training statewide. Current funding models do not. It also provides academies funding for training costs associated with recruits who fail to graduate but complete at least 50% of the training curriculum.

The Subcommittee discussed housing costs, recruit estimates and agency costs. The need to stop supplemental funding, cut extra classes and supervision classes and send the instructors out to the students, not bring the students here. AZPOST should no longer be involved in the housing business and instead utilize those funds for the basic training costs. Agencies will need to know what they will have to pay for their recruit to attend an academy. That information will be provided by each of the individual academies and is not something AZPOST has control over. Once the funding model is approved by the Board, then academies can make an informed decision as to what they may or may not charge each agency.

Chairman Rodbell stated in order for this to work the Subcommittee should accept all of the above assumptions. This will be a big issue for chiefs and sheriffs and they must be made aware of these changes.

Mr. LeFevre made a motion that the Subcommittee recommend to the AZPOST Board the adoption of Proposal #2 for FY 19, that any unused funds under the CJEF would carry forward to the next year's basic training budget and those students enrolled as open enrollees will no longer be eligible for the \$750 reimbursement. The motion was seconded by Chief Black and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 p.m.