



Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board

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MINUTES OF MEETING FEBRUARY 18, 2015 PHOENIX, ARIZONA

A public meeting of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board was convened on February 18, 2015, at AZ POST, located at 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

Members Present:

Mr. H. Jeffrey Coker, Chairman
Sergeant Chris Andreacola
Chief Steven Campbell
Sheriff Scott Mascher
Detention Director Mike Olson
Sheriff Bill Pribil
Chief Alan Rodbell
Professor Cornel Stemley
Sergeant Timothy Williams

Members Absent:

Mr. David Brown
Colonel Frank Milstead
Mr. Andrew Pacheco, representing Attorney General Mark Brnovich
Director Charles Ryan

Staff in Attendance:

Ted Brandon
Annie Deer
Marie Dryer
Sandy Hansberger
Cathy Hawse
Jon Heiden
Steve Jacobs
Mike Jaeger
Lori Ketron
Lynn Howe
Jack Lane
Lyle Mann
Cathy Masters
Donna Mulvey
Mark Perkovich
Sandy Sierra
Don Yennie

Assistant Attorney General
Michael Saltz
Nancy Beck

A. Call to Order

Chairman Coker called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

B. Introductions, Presentations and Announcements

Executive Director Mann introduced Mark Perkovich. Mark is a commander with the Tempe Police Department and will be on contract to AZ POST to assist with the Blue Courage Initiative.

C. Legislative Update

Executive Director asked the Board to reconsider its decision to oppose HB 2377 – Law Enforcement Merit System Council Determination. He felt it would be more beneficial to allow the executive director to determine what direction to take and to work with the Department of Public Safety on how to handle this bill.

Sheriff Mascher made a motion to work with DPS to determine what would be the best course for this bill; whether neutral or opposed, seconded by Sheriff Pribil, motion carried unanimously.

He also informed the Board of the bills he is monitoring and discussed the two bills dealing with body cameras that have been proposed.

D. Final Action Cases:

Case #1 – Jamie L. Lomahohnaya – Hopi Resource Enforcement Services

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Michael Saltz. Sheriff Pribil made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order and impose a 6-month suspension of peace officer certification from January 27, 2014, to July 27, 2014, seconded by Chief Campbell, motion carried unanimously.

Case #2 – Alfreda M. Wagner – Navajo Division of Public Safety

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Michael Saltz. Sheriff Mascher made a motion to adopt the amended Consent Agreement, Decision and Order and impose a 1-year suspension of peace officer certification from July 29, 2014, to July 29, 2015, seconded by Sheriff Pribil, motion carried with one nay vote.

Case #3 – Arthur W. Askew II – Prescott Valley Police Department

Sheriff Mascher recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Michael Saltz. Sheriff Pribil made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order for voluntary relinquishment of peace officer certification, seconded by Chief Campbell, motion carried unanimously.

Case #4 – Albert B. Smith – Phoenix Police Department

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Michael Saltz. Chief Campbell made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order for voluntary relinquishment of peace officer certification, seconded by Sergeant Williams, motion carried unanimously.

Case #5 – Christopher A. Kisser – AZ Department of Public Safety

The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Jack Lane and Christopher Kisser. Chief Rodbell made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Detention Director Olson, motion carried unanimously.

Case #6 – Wesley F. Todd – Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Jack Lane. Sheriff Mascher made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Chief Rodbell, motion carried unanimously.

Case #7 – Maria I. Hawke – Tucson Police Department

Sergeant Andreacola recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Jack Lane. Chief Campbell made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Sheriff Pribil, motion carried unanimously.

Case #8 – Bryce T. Larson – Avondale Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Jack Lane. Professor Stemley made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Detention Director Olson, motion carried with one nay vote.

F. New Charging Cases:Case #1 – Michael S. Walker – Tucson Police Department

Sergeant Andreacola recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Cathy Hawse. Professor Stemley made a motion to **Initiate Proceedings**, seconded by Sheriff Mascher, motion carried unanimously.

Case #2 – Andrew H. Wikstrom – Pinal County Sheriff's Office

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Cathy Hawse. Chief Campbell made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Detention Director Olson, motion carried unanimously.

Case #3 – Lenny A. Wong – Tucson Police Department

Sergeant Andreacola recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Cathy Hawse. Chief Campbell made a motion to **Initiate Proceedings**, seconded by Sheriff Mascher, motion carried unanimously.

Case #4 – Mateo O. Gonzalez – Cocopah Tribal Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Sheriff Mascher made a motion to **Resolve in the Future**, seconded by Sergeant Andreacola, motion carried unanimously.

Case #5 – Jeffrey M. Heanes – La Paz County Sheriff’s Office

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Chief Rodbell made a motion to **Resolve in the Future**, seconded by Chief Campbell, motion carried unanimously.

Case #6 – Cornelius R. Luchene – La Paz County Sheriff’s Office

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Sergeant Andreacola made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Sheriff Pribil, motion carried unanimously.

Case #7 – Corey T. Shibata – Phoenix Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Chief Rodbell made a motion to **Initiate Proceedings**, seconded by Chief Campbell, motion carried unanimously.

Case #8 – Terry A. Yahweh – Phoenix Police Department

Chief Campbell and Chief Rodbell recused themselves from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Professor Stemley made a motion to close this case with **No Action with Agency Discretion**, seconded by Sheriff Mascher, motion carried with one nay vote.

Case #9 – Dennis V. Reale – Gila River Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Lori Ketron. Professor Stemley made a motion to **Initiate Proceedings**, seconded by Chief Rodbell, motion carried unanimously.

Case #10 – Loren N. Miller Jr. – San Carlos Tribal Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Jack Lane. Sheriff Pribil made a motion to **Initiate Proceedings**, seconded by Professor Stemley, motion carried unanimously.

Case #11 – Thelma L. Rope – San Carlos Tribal Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Jack Lane. Sheriff Mascher made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Sheriff Pribil, motion carried unanimously.

F. Adjourn

Chairman Coker adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.