



Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board

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MINUTES OF MEETING DECEMBER 17, 2014 PHOENIX, ARIZONA

A public meeting of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board was convened on December 17, 2014, at AZ POST, located at 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

Members Present:

Mr. H. Jeffrey Coker, Chairman
Sergeant Chris Andreacola
Mr. David Brown
Chief Steven Campbell
Sheriff Scott Mascher
Detention Director Mike Olson
Chief Alan Rodbell
Director Charles Ryan
Professor Cornel Stemley
Sergeant Timothy Williams
Deputy Director Dennis Young, representing Director Bobby Halliday

Members Absent:

Mr. Andrew Pacheco, representing Attorney General Tom Horne
Sheriff Bill Pribil

Staff in Attendance:

Ted Brandon
Annie Deer
Mike Deltenre
Marie Dryer
Ivan Gelo
Sandy Hansberger
Cathy Hawse
Jon Heiden
Steve Jacobs
Mike Jaeger
Lori Ketron
Lynn Howe
Jack Lane
Lyle Mann
Cathy Masters
Mike Rosenberger
Sandy Sierra
Dale Wyman
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 stated there is nothing to report.

C. Legislative Update

Executive Director Mann presented a draft bill to the Board that deals with unlawful sexual conduct by peace officers. He stated there is no action to take on this bill now, he just wanted to the Board to review and comment on this bill. He will be bringing this bill, along with other bills that the Board needs to take action on, to the Board at the January meeting.

D. AZ Department of Transportation Petition on Behalf of Applicant Leah P. Gaines

The AZ Department of Transportation petitioned the Board to determine that the sale of marijuana by applicant Leah P. Gaines, when she was 12 years old, was juvenile indiscretion. Chief Tim Lane addressed the Board to ask that the petition be granted.

Mr. Brown made a motion to grant the petition for a determination that the sale of marijuana by Leah P. Gaines was juvenile indiscretion, seconded by Chief Campbell, motion carried unanimously.

E. Final Action Cases:

Case #1 – Helaman S. Barlow – Colorado City Marshal’s Office

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

Case #2 – John P. Geroulis – Phoenix Police Department

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

Case #3 – John G. Romero – AZ Game and Fish Department

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

Case #4 – Salvador Gallegos – Maricopa County Sheriff’s Office

Detention Director Olson recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Michael Saltz. Mr. Brown made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order and impose a 6-month suspension of peace officer certification from December 23, 2013, through June 23, 2014, seconded by Sergeant Andreacola, motion carried unanimously.

Case #5 – Marciano R. Murillo Jr. – Buckeye Police Department

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Michael Saltz. Professor Stemley made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order suspend peace officer certification until lapse, seconded by Deputy Director Young, motion carried unanimously.

Case #6 – Lori A. Demski – Phoenix Police Department

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 impose a one year suspension of peace officer certification from December 17, 2014, through December 17, 2015, seconded by Mr. Brown, motion carried unanimously.

Case #7 – Brandon E. Saavedra – Colorado River Indian Tribe 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 Chief Campbell, motion carried unanimously.

F. New Charging Cases:Case #1 – Steven F. Mingura – Clifton Police Department

Deputy Director Young recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Ted Brandon. Professor Stemley made a motion to close this case with **No Action with Agency Discretion**, seconded by Sergeant Williams, motion carried with 3 nay votes.

Case #2 – Ivan L. Sidney Jr. – BIA-Hopi Indian Agency

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Ted Brandon. Chief Campbell made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Professor Stemley, motion carried unanimously.

Case #3 – Quinn P. McCarthy – Tucson Police Department

Sergeant Andreacola recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Cathy Hawse. Deputy Director Young made a motion to **Initiate Proceedings**, seconded by Mr. Brown, motion carried unanimously.

Case #4 – Mark Osinski – Pinal County Sheriff’s Office

Director Ryan recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Cathy Hawse. Chief Rodbell made a motion to close this case with **No Action with Agency Discretion**, seconded by Professor Stemley, motion carried unanimously.

Case #5 – Matthew Trujillo – Tucson Police Department

Sergeant Andreacola recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Cathy Hawse. Sheriff Mascher made a motion to close this case with **No Action with Agency Discretion**, seconded by Chief Rodbell, motion carried unanimously.

Case #6 – Nestor Arteaga – Yuma Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Deputy Director Young made a motion to **Initiate Proceedings**, seconded by Chief Campbell, motion carried with one nay vote.

Case #7 – Donald E. Hancock Jr. – Cocopah Tribal Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Chief Rodbell made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Professor Stemley, motion carried unanimously.

Case #8 – Matthew H. Knowles – Phoenix Police Department

Chief Campbell recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Deputy Director Young made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Director Ryan, motion carried unanimously.

Case #9 – Tony G. Leivas – Colorado River Indian Tribe Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Sheriff Mascher made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Detention Director Olson, motion carried unanimously.

Case #10 – Jairo Vargas – San Luis Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Director Ryan made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Chief Rodbell, motion carried unanimously.

Case #11 – Dennis V. Reale – Gila River Police Department

This case was tabled.

F. Adjourn

Chairman Coker adjourned the meeting at 11:28 a.m.