



Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board

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ARIZONA PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD MINUTES OF MEETING AUGUST 17, 2011 PHOENIX, ARIZONA

A public meeting of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board was convened on August 17, 2011, at AZ POST, located at 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

Members Present:

Mr. Joseph Duarte, Chairman
Sheriff John Armer
Dr. Scott Decker
Detective Lee Ann Dobbertin
Chief Patricia Huntsman
Chief Kevin Kotsur
Mr. Gerald Richard, representing Attorney General Tom Horne
Sheriff Tom Sheahan
Sergeant Robert Thompson
Lt. Colonel Dennis Young, representing Colonel Bobby Halliday

Members Absent:

Ms. Wendy Larsen
Director Charles Ryan

Staff in Attendance:

Ted Brandon
Dan Ciernia
Jim DeLung
Marie Dryer
Rosalee Fitch
Jon Heiden
Debbie Howard
Bob Irish
Steve Jacobs
Lori Ketron
Lynn Larson
Gary Maschner
Paul Orfe
Sandy Sierra
Chester Szoltysik
Rick Watling
Maria Wheaton
Don Yennie

Assistant Attorney General
Nancy Beck
Diana Stabler

A. Call to Order

Chairman Duarte called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

B. Introductions, Presentations and Announcements

Executive Director Mann stated there is nothing new to report at this time.

C. Legislative Update

Executive Director Mann informed the Board that the first request dealing with reporting of officer misconduct was received. AZ POST has received a request from AZCOPS for an investigation into the Quartzsite Police Department. This is the first request received since the passing of House Bill 2613.

D. AZ Department of Corrections Petition on Behalf of Applicant Marc Ellis

This item was withdrawn at the request of the Department of Corrections.

E. Final Action Cases:

Case #1 – David Adams Jr. – San Carlos Tribal Police Department

Mr. Richard recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler and Mr. Adams. Chief Huntsman made a motion to deny the Motion for Reconsideration of Decision and Order of Denial of Certification, seconded by Detective Dobbertin, motion carried unanimously.

Case #2 – Enrique Grijalva – Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office

Mr. Richard and Sgt. Thompson recused themselves from this case. The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Nancy Beck and Mike Storie, attorney representing Mr. Grijalva. Sheriff Armer made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Chief Huntsman, motion carried with 3 nay votes.

Case #3 – Bradford T. Sander – Tucson Police Department

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler. Mr. Richard made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Chief Huntsman, motion carried unanimously. Mr. Richard then amended the motion to state “voluntary relinquishment of peace officer certification”, seconded by Chief Kotsur, motion carried unanimously.

Case #4 – Joseph M. Geremia III – Scottsdale Police Department

Chairman Duarte recused himself from this case. Chief Huntsman was acting chair for this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Bob Irish. Sheriff Sheahan made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Mr. Richard, motion carried unanimously.

Case #5 – Kevin J. Harring – Maricopa County Sheriff’s Office

Lt. Colonel Young recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Bob Irish. Mr. Richard made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Dr. Decker, motion carried unanimously.

Case #6 – Angel M. Montalvo – Tucson Police Department

Mr. Richard recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Bob Irish. Lt. Colonel Young made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Chief Kotsur, motion carried unanimously.

F. New Charging Cases:

Case #1 – Michael Lancaster – Gila River Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Curt Milam. Sheriff Sheahan made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Chief Huntsman, motion carried with 3 nay votes.

Case #2 – Diana E. Garcia – Gila River Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Curt Milam. Sheriff Armer made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Sheriff Sheahan, motion carried unanimously.

Case #3 – Hilario T. Tanakeyowma – Gila River Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Curt Milam. Detective Dobbertin made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Chief Huntsman, motion carried unanimously.

Case #4 – Steven G. Gonos – Gila River Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Curt Milam. Lt. Colonel Young made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Mr. Richard, motion carried unanimously.

Case #5 – Emil J. Mattson Jr. – Gila River Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Curt Milam. Sheriff Armer made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Detective Dobbertin, motion carried unanimously.

Case #6 – James A. Morales – Gila River Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Curt Milam. Chief Huntsman made a motion to close this case with **No Action**, seconded by Sheriff Sheahan, motion carried unanimously.

Case #7 – Christopher D. Balmaceda – Glendale Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Mr. Richard made a motion to **Initiate Proceedings**, seconded by Sheriff Sheahan, motion carried unanimously.

Case #8 – Alan D. Harrison – Bullhead City Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Mr. Richard made a motion to ***Initiate Proceedings***, seconded by Sheriff Armer, motion carried unanimously.

Case #9 – Franklin T. Lee – Apache County Sheriff's Office

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Ted Brandon. Chief Huntsman made a motion to ***Initiate Proceedings***, seconded by Dr. Decker, motion carried unanimously.

Case #10 – Erica M. Spence – Phoenix Police Department

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

Case #11 – Similati Vanisi – Tucson Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Curt Milam. Chief Huntsman made a motion to close this case with ***No Action***, seconded by Mr. Richard, motion carried unanimously.

G. Adjourn

Chairman Duarte adjourned the meeting at 11:27 a.m.