

MINUTES
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
November 20, 2008

The November meeting of the Western Illinois Police Training Unit Advisory Board was held Thursday, November 20, 2008 at The Old Dairy in Macomb.

Those present: Bob Mapes, Hancock County; John Jefferson, Hancock County Sheriff's Office; Rick Van Brooker, McDonough County Sheriff's Office; Dave Christensen, Galesburg Police Department; Mike Galloway, Macomb Police Department; Joe Switzer, Monmouth Police Department; Martin Edwards, Warren County Sheriff's Office; Mark Lumbeck, Henderson County Sheriff's Office. Others present: Ken German, Director, WIPTU; Joyce King, Records Clerk, WIPTU; John Levingston, Part-time Program Coordinator, WIPTU.

Guests present: Alice Mapes; M/Sgt. Mark Atchison and Sgt. Mike Vorreyer, Illinois State Police.

Those Absent: Vicki Munson, Secretary, WIPTU; Dave Caslin, Knox County Sheriff's Office; Kelly Cheesman, Knox County Circuit Clerk; Allen Pickrel, Knox County; Gary Smith, City of Galesburg; Jeff Standard, Fulton County Sheriff's Office; Edward Ketcham, Fulton County; Curt Barker, Macomb Police Department; Curt Eisenmayer, Henderson County; Brad Zeigler, Monmouth Police Department; Kevin Meade, City of Canton; Dan Taylor, Canton Police Department; John Turnbull, Warren County; Scott Schwerer, McDonough County.

Chairman Lumbeck called the meeting to order at 12:42 p.m.

A motion was made by Galloway, seconded by Jefferson and carried by all members present to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2008 Advisory Committee meeting.

King read the Financial Report. Motion was made by Mapes, seconded by Galloway and carried by all members present to approve the financial report.

German gave the Training Report. German reported that for this reporting period there were 151 people in attendance at training classes with 109 people counting for soft match. The soft match generated from these classes totaled \$16,155.71. Current soft match total is \$62,191.47. The total soft match needed to meet the grant requirement is \$115,826.98. We have earned 53.69 percent of the soft match required. Concealed Compartments in Motor Vehicles training class held in Lewistown on November 18, 2008 is not part of the total calculation.

German reported on upcoming classes.

- December 18 and 19, 2008-Illinois Vehicle Code
Twelve are registered for this class to be held at WIPTU and instructed by Jason Dickey of the Illinois State Police.
- January 6, 2009-Use of Force
This class will be from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Canton Park District. Mike Doubet will be the instructor.
- January 13, 2009-Police Stress: Walking the Thin Blue Line
Class will be at WIPTU from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and taught by Gayle Sullivan.
- January 16, 2009-Criminal Law Review for Illinois Peace Officers
This class will be taught by Kevin Burke at the Hancock County Courthouse in Carthage. There are six registered.
- January 21, 2009-Immigration and Customs Enforcements (ICE) Training
There will be two sessions at the Macomb Police Department. The first session will be from 8:00 a.m. until noon and the second session will be from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. There are three registered for the morning session and none registered for the afternoon session. This class was set up by Terry Lucas of the US Department of Justice.

Jefferson inquired if the ICE training would be good for jail staff. German replied yes, they do have to deal with immigration people.

- February 4, 2009-Search and Seizure
Currently there are twelve enrolled. The class will take place at the Warren County Library in Monmouth. Kevin Burke will be the instructor.

Master Sergeant Mark Atchison of the Illinois State Police gave a presentation on Federal and Illinois Firearms Law as it relates to possessing firearms and the FOID Card.

German gave the Coordinator's Report. He told about a web site that would be helpful for drug identification which is Drugs.com. Pictures, lettering on the pill, size, and shape are all listed on this site.

German stated he had a box of Emergency Response Guides (ERG's) for Hancock County. He requested that each department that hasn't all ready taken guides to do so and distribute them to the smaller departments. There should be at least one guide per squad car.

German reported on expected absences. He will be on vacation November 21, December 4 and 5, 2008. The office will be closed November 27 and 28, 2008 for Thanksgiving. On December 9 and 10, 2008 the office will be closed while staff attends the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Quarterly Board Meeting in Chicago.

The December 18, 2008 meeting will be a full WIPTU Advisory Board meeting. The Christmas meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. at Best Western Prairie Inn in Galesburg with WIPTU hosting. German extended the invitation to include board members' spouses or guests, office secretaries or other staff members.

Lumbeck gave the Chairman's Report. He thanked Galloway for hosting the meeting. Lumbeck asked Edwards for a report from the Nominating Committee which consisted of Martin Edwards, Dave Christensen, and David Clague. Edwards gave the proposed slate of officers: Brad Zeigler, Chairman; John Jefferson, Vice Chairman; Kelly Cheesman, Treasurer and Vicki Munson, Secretary. A motion to accept the slate of officers as presented was made by Van Brooker, seconded by Christensen and carried by all members present.

Joe Switzer apologized for Zeigler being unable to attend today's, meeting.

Levingston gave the Part-time Training Report. Levingston stated that more effort is being put forth by the students in the part-time class. Things are going well. Three guest students attended the November 15, 2008 class to make up for a class that they had missed in their own area.

On November 1, 2008 three students took the POWER test in Macomb for Phase 18. One was successful, the other two didn't pass. It was obvious that the two students were not prepared and had not trained for the test. They have until January to prepare and retake the test or they will be out of the program.

Levingston stressed the importance of training for the POWER test and suggested the chiefs offer encouragement and any assistance to the students that may be needed.

Levingston commented on Court Security Training. Levingston stated he had received a call from Macon County wanting to enroll three into WIPTU's Court Security Training program. Fulton County has one they want enrolled and Adams County has two. Hopefully he will be able to start a Court Security class the first of the new year. The training will consist of seven Saturday sessions at WIPTU.

No State Training Board Report was presented.

There was no New Business.

There being no further business, Maps made a motion to adjourn. Van Brooker seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. King
Secretary Pro-tem

