

MINUTES
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
May 27, 2010

The May meeting of the Western Illinois Police Training Unit Advisory Board was held Thursday, May 27, 2010 at McGillacuddy's in Galesburg, Illinois.

Those present: Marion Brown, Henderson County Board; Dave Christensen, Galesburg Police Department; Martin Edwards, Warren County Sheriff's Office; Sal Garza, City of Galesburg; Scott Bentzinger for John Jefferson, Hancock County Sheriff's Office; Jeff Standard, Fulton County Sheriff's Office; Rick Van Brooker, McDonough County Sheriff's Office; and Brad Zeigler, Monmouth Police Department.

Those absent: Greg Bacon, Knox County Board; Curt Barker, Macomb Police Department; Bob Bucher, Fulton County; Chris Butcher, Macomb Police Department; Kelly Cheesman, Knox County Circuit Clerk; David Clague, Knox County Sheriff's Office; Mark Lumbeck, Henderson County Sheriff's Office; Bob Mapes, Hancock County; Kevin R. Meade, City of Canton; Scott Schwerer, McDonough County; Joe Switzer, Monmouth Police Department; W. Dan Taylor, Canton Police Department ; and John Turnbull, Warren County.

Others present: Kenneth German, Western Illinois Police Training Unit; Vicki Munson, Western Illinois Police Training Unit; Joyce King, Western Illinois Police Training Unit; and John Levingston, Part-time Officer Program Coordinator.

Guests present: Deputy Chief Bruce Morath, Warren County Sheriff's Office and Tom Schmidt, Carl Sandburg College.

Zeigler called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m.

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 25, 2010 meeting was made by Christensen, seconded by Standard. Motion passed.

King read the financial report. A motion to approve the financial report was made by Brown, seconded by Edwards. Motion passed.

German gave the Training report. There were twenty-three items to report on. 323 people attended these classes with 276 counting for soft match. Soft match earned for these classes totaled \$52,383.71. The soft match requirement for the fiscal year is \$131,082.52; soft match to date is \$196,417.02. We are at 149.84 percent and have exceeded the soft match requirement.

German stated he is in the process of closing out the FY10 budget.

German reported on upcoming classes. May 29, 2010 will be Mandatory Range Qualification for Active Police Officers. There are ten registered. June 17, 2010 will be Leadership for Reducing Organizational Stress in Law Enforcement at the Macomb Police Department from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. There are 12 registered. June 23, 2010 will be Hazardous Materials Refresher at the Bushnell Police Department from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. July 13, 2010 will be Basic Crime Scene Investigation at Monmouth Police Department from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. August 10, 11 and 12, 2010 will be Breath Analysis Operator. It will not be at WIPTU. German stated he is currently looking for a classroom. August 24, 2010 will be Basic Computer Networking and Internet Topics for First Responders at WIPTU. September 15, 2010 will be Electronic Evidence Seizure for First Responders at WIPTU. October 16, 17, 23 and 24, 2010 will be 40-hour Mandatory Firearms Training.

German stated May 7 and 8, 2010 was the Executive Development in East Peoria. WIPTU was a co-sponsor for the training and six attended from our departments.

German stated McDonough County Sheriff's Office was involved in an Advanced ALERTS training. German stated it was well organized and a good experience for all of the jurisdictions to come together. It allows the departments to "be on the same page". The dispatchers were also involved. The training exercise used WIPTU and Illinois State Police Simunitions equipment.

German gave the Coordinator's Report. German reminded everyone the Advisory Board meetings will be every other month and no Advisory Committee meetings will be held.

German stated the FY10 budget ends June 30, 2010 and FY11 budget begins July 1, 2010. The FY11 budget review with ILETSB will be August 3, 2010 in Springfield. Zeigler will be attending this meeting.

German stated requests for salary updates had been sent out. The following departments have not responded: Abingdon Police Department; Altona Police Department; Astoria Police Department; Augusta Police Department; Avon Police Department; Bushnell Police Department; Colchester Police Department; Cuba Police Department; Dallas City Police Department; East Galesburg Police Department; Farmington Police Department; Gulfport Police Department; Henderson County Sheriff's Office; Knox College Police Department; LaHarpe Police Department; London Mills Police Department; Macomb Police Department; Maquon Police Department; Vermont Police Department; Warsaw Police Department; and Western Illinois University Office of Public Safety.

German stated the semi-annual personnel rosters are due twice a year. Only Plymouth Police Department has not submitted this information to ILETSB. Otherwise we are at 100 percent.

German welcomed Tom Schmidt, President, Carl Sandburg College. Schmidt gave a presentation on the Cogent Fingerprinting System. He invited all the law enforcement to attend a demonstration and requested a convenient date. He will also invite other colleges and universities to attend. The demonstration will take approximately two hours. An inquiry was made if this system was accepted in Illinois. Schmidt responded he was not certain. Schmidt stated after he has a date for the demonstration he will provide that to German who will notify all WIPTU departments.

German inquired if Sheriff Jefferson had provided any information on new laws. Bentzinger responded he had a list from Jefferson. HB 6178 deals with County Jail Medical Expenses; SB 1702 deals with Sex Offender Registration; SB 2488 deal with Criminal Code-Aggravated Assault; SB 3293 deals with Sex Offender Registration Telephone; and SB 3491 deals with Police Training for Investigators.

German reported on expected absences. May 31, 2010 the office will be closed for Memorial Day. June 2 and 3, 2010 the office will be closed while staff attends the ILETSB Quarterly Board meeting in Lombard. The next meeting will be July 29, 2010 at noon hosted by Chief Barker, Macomb Police Department.

Zeigler gave the Chairman's Report. He appointed a Director's Performance Review Committee.

Levingston gave the Part-time Training and Court Security Training report. Levingston stated the Part-time Phase 19 graduation dinner will be July 23, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at D.J.'s Steakhouse in Macomb. Levingston stated Invitations will be mailed out.

Levingston stated May 28, 2010 is the due date for POWER test paperwork on June 5, 2010. This is the last POWER test before Phase 20 begins. Levingston stated the numbers are down for the POWER test.

Levingston stated there is one student in the Court Security Officer training and it is completed.

There was no State Report. Zeigler stated Scott Schaefer stopped at the Monmouth Police Department. He is no longer allowed to attend the Advisory Board meetings. Zeigler stated he would speak to John Schlaf, ILETSB Board member, about getting Schaefer permission to come back to the meetings.

New Business: Christensen stated PTI has cancelled every other class. There is a June 2010 class and the next class is in September 2010.

German stated he was informed today that there will be no ASSIST meeting at the Quarterly State Board meeting. The ASSIST meeting has been eliminated, but he is still required to attend.

Brown inquired about getting dispatchers trained. He was told they are required to have the training but the training will not be offered until next year.

With no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Christensen, seconded by Standard. Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki L. Munson
Secretary