

**ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING AND STANDARDS BOARD
4500 South 6th Street Road, Room 173, Springfield, IL 62703-6617**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
JOINT FINANCE, LEGISLATIVE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Town and Country Inn and Suites, 110 North 54th Street, Quincy, IL
June 7, 2017**

I. ROLL CALL – ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The June 7, 2017 meeting of the Joint Finance, Legislative & Executive Committee was held in Quincy, Illinois, and was called to order by John Schlaf at 3:39 p.m. Roll was called by Ellen Petty. No quorum of Committee members could be established. Those members in attendance proceeded with the subject matter of the meeting, with the understanding that any motions are merely recommendations for the full Board meeting.

Members in attendance:

John Schlaf
Chief Jan Noble
Sheriff Richard Watson
Cameron Eugenis for Attorney General Lisa Madigan

Members absent:

Sheriff Pat Hartshorn
City Manager Tim Gleason
Valerie Salmons
Circuit Clerk Dorothy Brown

Staff in attendance:

Brent Fischer, Executive Director
John Keigher, Chief Legal Counsel
Ellen Petty, Personal Assistant to the Executive Director
Scott Schaeffer, Police Training Specialist
Patrick Connolly, Deputy Director of Field Operations
John Krein, Fiscal Officer
Denise Matthew, Grant Accountant
Cora Beem, Manager of Mandated Training
Pat Hahn, Manager of In-Service Training (ASSIST)
Kelly Griffith, General Legal Counsel
Anthony Raffety, Human Resources Manager
Lya Ramos, Body Camera Project Intern
Keith Wallace, Information Technology Intern
Jon Elder, Applications Development Coordinator
Dan Sluga, Chief Information Technology Manager
Mike Haley, Receptionist
Jennifer Wooldridge, Manager of Operations
Jill Weber, Program Manager
Eric Pingolt, Deputy Director of Operations

Laura Baker, Certification Exam Coordinator & Administrative Assistant

Others in attendance:

Mike Schlosser, Police Training Institute
Rodger Heaton, Governor's Office
Vicki Munson, MTU 4
Richard Fonck, MTU 16
Doug Fargher, MTU 1
Len Mendoza, MTU 4
Mike Oyer, MTU 7
Bob Crouch, MTU 10
Kenton Manning, IROCC
Denelle Hetrick, MTU 8
Mark Edwards, MTU 12
Teri Newbill, MTU 13
Tod Dowdy, MTU 9
Tom Fleming, Cook County Sheriff's Police Academy
Ray Cordell, Suburban Law Enforcement Academy
Scott Williams, MTU 14
Keith Calloway, Chicago Police Academy
Jeffrey Chapman, Chicago Police Department
Caryn Morse, Chicago Police Academy
Chris Campbell, Illinois State Police Academy
Susan Nichols, ILETSB Executive Institute
Joanne Kurt-Hilditch, ILETSB Executive Institute
Mike Norrington, MTU 15
Beth Pinter, MTU 5
Chuck Doan, MTU 15
Deborah L. Alms, MTU 2
Michael Missey, St. Clair County
William Sax, Southwestern Illinois College
Jill Ward, MTU 9
Penny Abbott, MTU 9
Tom Reasoner, MTU 3

II. FINANCIAL MATTERS

A. Financial Items

1. Fiscal Information (Through May 15, 2017)
 - a. TACCSF Receipts
 - b. TACCSF Balance
 - c. Projected Academy Enrollments
 - d. Supplemental Funds for MTUs

John Krein gave a verbal report to the Committee, reviewing and explaining the charts and figures provided in Tab F of the Board book. Also discussed was a handout provided to the Committee recommending supplemental FY17 funds for the MTUs, of an amount of \$15,000 per MTU, based upon availability of funds in the coming weeks.

At the beginning of FY17, MTUs were given the first increase in their training line items since 2003. This was made possible by the removal of the Illinois State Police from the TCCSF. This supplemental money would not be a budget increase however, but a one-time payment earmarked specifically for training materials. The total cost, if awarded the full \$15,000 for each MTU would be \$210,000.00. Fischer clarified that he would like the Board to allow discretion for the supplemental funds for a payment up to \$15,000, based upon receipts, not necessarily the full \$15,000, if receipts would not allow for it.

Motion was made by Watson, seconded by Noble, and carried by all members present to recommend approval of the FY17 supplemental payment of up to \$15,000 per MTU.

2. FY18 Budget
 - a. Approval of First 6 Months Budget

Krein explained that the Board generally approves the first six months' budget at the June meeting for several entities. Currently, for the Mobile Team Units, Executive Institute, Computer Crime Institute through the Attorney General's office, Crisis Intervention Training, Chicago Police Department In-Service Training, professional associations such as the Chiefs of Police, the Sheriffs' Association, and the Circuit Clerks, an estimated total of \$4,022,500.00. These amounts are consistent with past years with the exception of CIT, for which demand has dramatically increased.

Motion was made by Noble, seconded by Watson, and carried by all members present to recommend approval the first 6 months' budget for FY18 as outlined.

B. Staff & Personnel Updates

Director Fischer introduced the Board's new Deputy Director of Field Operations, retired Urbana Police Chief, Pat Connolly; and the summer intern working on the body camera guidelines and grant project, Miss Lya Ramos.

C. Legislative and Litigation Update

Regarding litigation, John Keigher reported that Board staff is still watching the case of Henrichs v. the Board involving a select group of employees from the Cook County Sheriff's office seeking approval for IROCC. This case originated in State court but was dismissed and refiled in Federal court. In lieu of ruling on our motion to dismiss, the court determined that federal issues were lacking and began the process of remanding it back to State court. The Plaintiffs have been fighting this process with motions and extensions for several months and a ruling is expected in July. If there are significant developments before the next Board meeting, staff will keep Board members advised.

Regarding legislation, Keigher advised that the General Assembly just wrapped up its regular session but things are far from over, as they have not passed a budget and are expected to be back in Springfield through June. The Board remains optimistic that a special budget addressing the non-GRF funds will be passed before the new fiscal year

begins on July 1st, but we are taking precautions to prepare for a delay in authorized spending, just in case.

Board staff has been keeping their eyes on several bills this session, and while some of them were passed and are expected to be signed by the Governor, others remain active but still require action by the legislature. Of those that passed, the following mandates are of interest to the Board:

HB 375 adds mental health awareness and response training to list of in-service mandates required tri-annually for non-probation officers and requires these to be incorporated into the BLE.

SB 1843 reinstates the Commission on Police Professionalism to review issues of licensing, police authority, and training. Once again, it will be composed of legislators, officers, union representatives, ISP and the Board. It requires us to prepare a report by the end of 2018.

HB 1895 requires the Board to incorporate information on officer stress and police experience PTSD into the BLE.

SB 3106 clarifies that Supreme Court Marshals are fully authorized law enforcement officers under their Act. This allows them to be trained under the Board's authority and to attend MTU courses.

Of those bills that didn't pass but remain on our watch list, HB 2591 also known as SB 1328 drastically rewrites the way in which additional fees are added and collected with criminal fines. Board staff participated in complicated negotiations to make sure that the Camera Grant and Surcharge Funds were not eliminated and pushed hard for some protections if revenues do not meet the anticipated levels. We expect further revisions to address other stakeholders but are ready for to this move forward if required.

SB 2185 requires the Board to create a model policy on how to detain intoxicated individuals for a period of time and ensure that they do not operate vehicles while still under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Finally, SB 1581 is the initiative of the truckers and farmers associations to reduce the amount owed to the Surcharge Fund and Camera Grant Fund when trucks receive an overweight citation. Thanks to the quick action by the MTUs, we were able to demonstrate an overwhelming opposition from the law enforcement community. This bill was successfully stalled before its final action and is likely to wither as deadlines pass. Nevertheless, if there is any movement and we need to voice concerns again we will certainly reach out to Board members and MTUs to get the opinions of law enforcement on the record.

D. Tuition Increase Requests

Pat Hahn outlined the tuition increase requests under Tab Q in the Board book, noting that the courses had been certified during the previous meeting, and now a motion is needed to approve the tuition amounts for the courses by this Committee.

Motion was made by Watson, seconded by Noble, and carried by all members present to recommend the tuition increase requests as outlined in Tab Q.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. PTI Update

Schlaf stated that since most, if not all in attendance were also there for the drone video presentation at the 2:30 meeting, this will all be covered tomorrow in the full Board meeting.

B. Howard Buffett Foundation Update

Fischer stated that he did not have much to add other than to reiterate that the Board has maintained contact with Tony Romano, the contractor at the new Academy, and that he has been exceptional in allowing staff to go over and tour and take photos of the progress. Romano reports that everything has gone very well with the construction and they are even a little bit ahead of schedule.

C. Direct Tuition Reimbursement

Keigher advised that he is still working on a direct tuition agreement that would be applicable to all of the academies, something that can be expanded upon from previous experience and what worked and didn't work for the existing agreements. Nevertheless, there are always some complications. Krein and he have just recently received the revised templates from the Comptroller's office and are making sure that everything in the agreement matches up with what the Comptroller will be expecting with the most recent revisions. Plans are to make it a multi-year agreement so that the Academies can rely upon it with a bit more certainty. This would require a supplemental estimation report annually, since the Comptroller would need to see some actual dollar figures to set aside sufficient funds. He has heard back from SLEA's lawyer's on the agreement template and they are going to take a quick look at it and once the Academies have had a chance to review it as well, it will be shared with the Board. We would be a little more confident rolling this out if the State had a budget in place, however we want to make sure the template agreements can be signed while we await that funding to arrive.

D. Body Camera Guidelines

Fischer reported that now that we are getting receipts coming into the camera grant fund bringing the balance up to the level needed to begin the program, we began looking at our requirements on the body cameras, breaking it down into three areas: policy-driven guidelines, grant requirements, and reporting requirements from departments to the Board. A task force has been assembled since the last meeting, consisting of Chiefs, Sheriffs, Labor, and Board staff. The group has met and discussed goals and direction. The group wants the Board to come up with some different materials to review and tweak what we currently have in place for the in-dash videos. We are currently working

on this process, with Lya Ramos, our intern from WIU. Miss Ramos has already done a considerable amount of work on research, reaching out to various agencies, and setup a survey to send out to gain additional information. Once that has been completed, we will compile and review that information and take that into consideration when finalizing the guidelines and requirements.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Watson, seconded by Noble, and carried by all members present to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

