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OHIO PEACE OFFICER TRAINING COMMISSION MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2012

HELD AT THE

OHIO PEACE OFFICER TRAINING ACADEMY

1650 STATE ROUTE 56 SW

LONDON, OHIO 43140

MINUTES

I. OPENING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Vernon Stanforth called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.
Sheriff Thomas Maurer led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Ms. Donna Long called the Roll.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson Vernon P. Stanforth
Sheriff Thomas G. Maurer
Mr. Stephen Schumaker
Chief Ronald Ferrell
Sergeant Troy Mineard
Ms. Linda O'Connor
Chief Paul Denton
Colonel John Born

B. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND STAFF

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Mr. Jeff Clark

Attorney General's Office

GUESTS AND STAFF

Mr. Mike Weinman	FOP of Ohio
Mr. Russell Burke	Toledo Police Department
Ms. Cheryl Przbyski	Toledo Police Department
Captain Geoffrey Barnard	Cleveland Heights Police Department
Mr. Thomas Quinlan	Columbus Police Academy
Mr. Mike Crispen	Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy
Mr. Robert Fiatal	OPOTC Executive Director
Ms. Donna Long	OPOTC Secretary
Ms. Jill Gregory-Cury	OPOTC Staff
Ms. Lori Wachtel	OPOTC Staff
Ms. Mary Broyles	OPOTC Staff
Ms. Alice Robinson-Bond	OPOTC Deputy Director
Mr. John Green	OPOTA Deputy Director
Mr. Justin Hykes	OPOTC Staff
Mr. Roger Le	OPOTC Staff
Mr. Aaron Coey	OPOTC Law Enforcement Training Officer
Ms. Mary Davis	OPOTC Deputy Director
Mr. Eric Schaefer	OPOTC Staff
Ms. Arienne Fauber	OPOTC Staff

II. CHAIRPERSON REPORT

Approval of Minutes

Sheriff Thomas Maurer motioned that the minutes of the July 19, 2012, meeting be approved. Colonel John Born seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed favorably.

Chairperson Stanforth extended his appreciation to the OPOTC Staff for their work as well as producing the documents for the 119 Hearing.

That concluded the Chairperson Report.

III. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Chief Paul Denton
Committee Chairperson

Chairperson Denton stated that the curriculum committee met prior to the OPOTC meeting and reviewed proposals from staff on changes to Basic Police Officer Training, Private Security Academic and Correction Basic Training curriculums. All OPOTC members received a copy of the handout referencing the curriculums being recommended for approval. A portion of these are related to legal changes, updates and the Firearms Semi Automatic Qualification which the OPOTC approved previously and is set for full implementation on January 1, 2013.

Chairperson Denton asked for any questions or discussions. None was forthcoming and he stated that he'd like to make a motion that the OPOTC approve the changes to the curriculum as presented.

MOTION

Chairperson Denton made the motion to approve the changes to the curriculum as presented. The motion was seconded by Sgt. Troy Mineard. No discussion was forthcoming. A vote was taken and the motion passed favorably.

That concluded the Curriculum Committee Report.

IV. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Troy Mineard
Committee Chairperson

Sgt. Mineard stated the OPOTC Staff have been tracking 109 House and Senate Bills. There were two bills signed by the Governor since his last report. One dealing with Hidden Automobile Compartments and the second was Texting While Driving Ban. The Texting While Driving Ban is in the updated curriculum just approved. The Hidden Automobile Compartments will come out in the July 1, 2013 revision.

Mr. Fiatal stated that effective September 28, 2012 Revised Code 2925.141 Illegal use or possession of marihuana drug paraphernalia will be a minor misdemeanor.

That concluded the Legislative Committee Report.

V. HOUSE COMMITTEE

Colonel John Born
Committee Chairperson

Colonel John Born stated that there was nothing to report. He requested a House Committee meeting prior to the November 15, 2012 meeting to set the 2013 OPOTC meeting dates. That concluded the House Committee Report.

VI. CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL TRAINING COMMITTEE Sheriff Thomas G. Maurer Committee Chairperson

Sheriff Maurer stated there was nothing to report. That concluded the Continuing Professional Training Committee Report.

STAFF REPORT

VII. COMMISSION AND ACADEMY UPDATES

Executive Director Robert Fiatal

Mr. Fiatal stated that an emergency measure by Governor Kasich was signed making Human Trafficking instruction and training for all peace officers in the state mandatory. There are several ways to receive the training through OPOTA. The easiest is through the eOPOTA Human Trafficking Awareness and Response courses. A two hour lesson plan for the purpose of in-service training is available through OH-Leg. We will also continue our regional training as well.

Due to the resources available for taking the mandated courses we are expecting a bigger transition. We have added a column to 2012 Roster Report which allows agencies to report to OPOTA those officers who have had the mandated training. Mr. Fiatal asked Ms. Alice Robinson-Bond, Deputy Director for the Profession Standards Division for an update on the 2012 rosters.

Ms. Robinson-Bond responded that about an eighth of the rosters are in, but that they aren't due until January 2013. Most agencies that submitted rosters to date have reported the mandated training Human Trafficking training as completed.

Mr. Fiatal added that there are 34,000 officers to train. We also recognize any other competent courses out there to satisfy the mandated training such as OSP and others.

Mr. Fiatal invited the OPOTC to attend the 2012 OPOTA Employee Awards luncheon on November 15, 2012 immediately following the OPOTC meeting.

The last issue Mr. Fiatal wanted to discuss was the Shotgun Qualification Course. We have had the Ohio State Patrol and twenty-five firearms instructors who still employ shotguns in their agencies testing the course. Shotgun training is still part of the POBT. After several language changes, everyone is on board with moving forward with the proposed course.

Mr. Fiatal proposes that we proceed with the Shotgun Qualification Course in the same manner that we did the Semi-Automatic Pistol Qualification Course. On January 1, 2013 begin the voluntary use for a one year transition period, where agencies can try it out and prepare for mandatory compliance on January 1, 2014. On January 1, 2014 it will be mandatory for the POBT.

Mr. Fiatal asked for the OPOTC input on whether they feel the need to table the proposed course for more consideration or if the OPOTC feels ready to move forward with this course.

Lt. Mike Crispen, OSP Academy and Chief Paul Denton, The Ohio State University Police Department both agreed it was ready to move forward. Chief Denton made a motion.

MOTION

Chief Paul Denton motioned that the OPOTC adopt the proposed Shotgun Qualification Course with the voluntary start date of January 1, 2013. Allowing agencies to test and transition into the changes, with continued evaluations and input regarding any problems. On January 1, 2014 it will become mandatory. The motion was seconded by Colonel John Born.

DISCUSSION

Sheriff Maurer stated that a lot of hard work went into the course. Mr. Fiatal stated that the next effort will be on the revision of the Revolver Qualification Course. OPOTA will deploy this transition by contacting all agency heads with the details and admonishing them that they should include in their training: Deadly Force Policy and Legal Considerations, Transition Considerations, Multiple Targets, Move and Shoot and Low Light Shooting.

At the conclusion of the discussion Chairperson Stanforth asked for a vote which passed favorably.

That concluded the staff report.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Chairperson Vernon P. Stanforth

Ms. O'Connor thanked Mr. Fiatal, Mary Broyles and Mary Davis for their input on their secondary standards which were in line with the new curriculum. This will finalize with an Industry Validation panel on October 23, 2012 at O.S.U. Center for Education and Training at 1900 Kenny Road, Columbus for anyone who would like to participate in the final Industry Review.

The Safety Summit has been very successful with a lot of feedback from around the state. Some of the schools are actually putting in drills and confirming better partnerships with their local law enforcement agencies.

She also updated that the HB232 which has been tabled, is now SB509. Mary Broyles is on that committee and will keep Mr. Fiatal updated. Mr. Fiatal clarified that the bill would make the training mandatory for all dispatchers. OPOTA has been coordinating with the Board of Regents to ensure 16 hours of credit can be awarded for the training.

Mr. Fiatal spoke regarding the Safety Summit; our push is on for free regional training. OPOTA has broken out several free regional trainings to include Profiles of an Active Shooter, which was opened up to educators and administrator. We are also working on curriculum for educators and administrators on how to react to an active threat in their buildings. We are working with our Department of Education contact to create the post effective training.

Mr. Fiatal announced multiple regional training sites would be offering "Single Officer Response to Active Threat." It will address those situations where you have a single officer who's in response and the threat is real and active. There will be simulations, lecture and more realistic training involved.

Also, there is free regional training on Management of Multi-Fatality Crime Scenes, put on by OPOTA in conjunction with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation. The case studies from the Copley Shooting, the Cracker Barrel Shooting and the Chardon School Shooting are just a few of cases that will be presented during this training.

Mr. Fiatal thanks Ms. O'Connor for her motivation and support. That concluded the Old Business Report.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Vernon P. Stanforth

Ms. O'Connor stated that getting the news out to the secondary instructors to participate in the training and requested assistance in notifying instructors. She also asked for assistance from OPOTA with an article on Human Trafficking that will go out to all the schools. Mr. Fiatal assured that someone from OPOTA would assist her and that OPOTA could distribute the article as well.

Chief Maurer asked who the speakers are for 2012 Law Enforcement Conference. Mr. Fiatal stated that the following would be speakers:

Marine Jason Thomas along with another Marine presented a plan for a search-and-rescue mission and worked to enlist volunteers in the 9/11 terrorist attacks. He will be speaking during the Thursday, October 25th at 9:00 a.m.

George Piro, FBI Special Agent & Interrogation Group Director spent several months interrogating Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein. He will be the Keynote Speaker on Thursday, October 25th at noon.

Jack Park, Broadcaster and Corporate Adviser regularly share's his insights with ESPN and Big Ten Network. He combines his business acumen with his love of football in an award-winning leadership development program.

Mr. Fiatal encouraged all of OPOTC to register for the conference and reminding them of their roles in the awards ceremony. So far the top enrollment for the workshops are: **Large Events Security**, which Chief Paul Denton, OPOTC member will be one of presenters; **Officer Involved Shooting** with the Investigation Teams from Columbus, Cleveland and Cincinnati; and **Internet Cafés** wraps up the top three workshops.

Chairperson Stanforth stated there is a difference in the way larger and smaller cities handle the investigation. Mr. Fiatal stated that there would be valuable information that can be used for all agencies.

Chief Denton stated that he has not received any notification regarding his appointment to the OPOTC. Mr. Fiatal shared that three OPOTC members are wait for reappointment. We were told by the Governor's office that they have 60 days after their expiration date. Consequently the Commission members are good until the end of the year. The three awaiting appointment are Chief Denton, Sheriff Maurer and Colonel Born.

That concluded the new business report.

X. GUEST FORUM

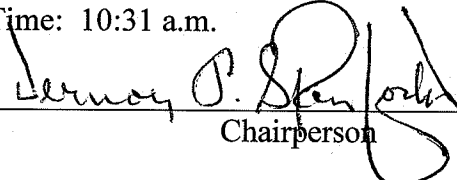
Chairperson Vernon P. Stanforth

Chairperson Stanforth opened the meeting to public comments and/or concerns. None was forthcoming concluding the guest forum.

XI. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Chairperson Vernon Stanforth motioned to adjourn the meeting. Chief Ronald Ferrell seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Time: 10:31 a.m.



Chairperson

These transcripts are not verbatim. Audio recordings are available upon request.