



Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training

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Ensuring Police Excellence and Improving Community Relations Advisory Council

September 18, 2023

9:00 a.m.

This was a hybrid meeting held at the POST Board office

Members Present:

Chair Eric Won
Biiftuu Adam
Carl Crawford
Erik Misselt
Kaohly Her
Nikki Engel
Sue Abderholden
Terry Stier

Members Absent:

Andrew Matthews
Anne Haines Holy Eagle
Cathy Spann
Dave Titus
Julio Zelaya
Paul Novotny
Sean Deringer

Staff Present:

Shari Mitchell

Call to Order: Chair Won called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Approval of the Agenda: Chair Won asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

- **Motion:** Mr. Misselt made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Stier seconded the motion. The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote.

Approval of the July 24, 2023 Minutes: Chair Won asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes and asked if there are any edits needed.

- **Motion:** Mr. Stier made a motion to approve the July 24, 2023 meeting minutes. Ms. Engel seconded the motion. The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote.

Regional Listening Sessions Status (Discussion): Chair Won spoke about what the listening sessions are for; to hear from the community on best practices of what is working and what is not and to build community relations.

The Committee agreed to start with one pilot listening session that will be held in Duluth on Friday, 10/20/23 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. They will then go to lunch and conclude with visiting a memorial in Duluth. The Committee agreed that they will drive independently and submit an expense report. Mr.

Crawford will reserve space for the listening session in Duluth. A hybrid meeting will be scheduled for 10/19/23 for the Council to finalize preparations for the listening session.

Juvenile DNA Workgroup Update (Discussion): Mr. Crawford spoke about the workgroup meeting that discussed the collection of juvenile DNA. The workgroup is trying to get the whole story on what happened and how prevalent juvenile DNA collection is. The workgroup meets monthly and has met 4 times. The end goal is to present to the Board some potential training and policy that better explains the juvenile DNA collection and how long it is kept.

POST Board Update: Mr. Misselt spoke about the following topics:

- Replacing misconduct database.
- New Rules Coordinator has started working a couple of weeks ago and the next Rules meeting is tomorrow, 9/20/23 to discuss the next rules making package.
- New bill has passed for two new pilot programs being run by DPS through MN State for people who have a 2 or 4 year degree and want to be a peace officer. The program is up to 8 months long. The POST Board will be working on this.
- Question POST was asked for an opinion by a couple of sources in regard to the newly worded statute. Specifically, if there could be licensing sanctions in addition to potential criminal and civil violations and the answer is yes. The Board has answered and provided their opinion.

Discussion ensued on inviting a member from the EPEICR Advisory Council to join the Rules Advisory Committee so that they can report back to this council. Mr. Misselt agreed to bring this discussion to the Rules Committee this week.

Mr. Won asked if this Council's name can be shortened. Mr. Misselt confirmed that it can but will require legislation.

Adjournment: Chair Won asked for a motion to adjourn at 10:00 a.m.

- **Motion:** Mr. Misselt made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Stier seconded the motion. The motion passed via unanimous voice vote.