

LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTACTS POLICY AND DATA REVIEW COMMITTEE (LECC)

MEETING MINUTES

August 29, 2005, 1:00 p.m.

Oregon State Library, Salem, Oregon

LECC Members Present

Jan Chaiken Charles Martinez
David Fidanque Edwin Peterson
Annabelle Jaramillo Frank Thompson
Ron Louie Greg Willeford

LECC Staff Present

Claudia Black
Meredith (Bud) Bliss
Laura Uva

LECC Members Excused

Keith Aoki Raul Ramirez
William Feyerherm

Approve Agenda

The committee unanimously approved the agenda.

Approve Minutes of May 26, 2005 Meeting

Jaramillo moved to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2005 LECC meeting, Fidanque seconded, and the committee unanimously approved it.

Approve Minutes of June 20, 2005 Meeting

Jaramillo moved to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2005 LECC meeting, Fidanque seconded, and the committee unanimously approved it.

LECC Budget Update

Black explained that, because the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission is restructuring and Bliss is leaving, a proposed budget has not yet been developed. She will meet with Prins and Feyerherm before the next meeting to prepare the proposed budget, which will be presented to the committee at the next meeting (October 24, 2005). She will correspond with and provide information to members and staff, via e-mail, in the interim.

LECC Website Update

Bliss informed the committee that he has posted all of the approved LECC minutes on the website.

Data Review Subcommittee Update

OASIS Reports

Chaiken moved that the statewide OASIS 08-29-05 update be formally approved and posted on the LECC website after staff performs some minor editing. Fidanque seconded the motion, and the committee unanimously approved this decision.

It was decided that the re-draft of the report “Public Perceptions Surveys of Attitudes Held by Minority Groups about Law Enforcement in Oregon” will be completed by September 2 and then distributed to LECC members and staff. At the next meeting, the most recent draft of the report will be considered for public release. The mode of release, as well as who to contact, will also be discussed. Committee members acknowledged that, as a result of discussion of the report at this day’s meetings, the report was already on the public record. But this does not necessarily mean it would be publicized. The committee authorized staff to produce PowerPoint presentations or other summaries of the report as they see fit.

National Literature Review of Stop Data Reports

Louie volunteered to work with Chaiken and Uva in writing a two to three page summary of the report. The summary will include key findings, methods, numbers, the most effective actions in response to findings, conclusions drawn, and any other information that is most valuable to Oregon. He will also provide staff with suggestions for additional stop data reports to include in the review.

Additionally, Louie stated that he will send a couple of recently published reports on preventing and eradicating racial profiling to Uva. Chaiken asked that the review of the national survey by the Bureau of Justice Statistics be updated to reflect the publication of “Contacts between Police and the Public: Findings from the 2002 National Survey,” which both Chaiken and Louie had in hand.

Community Relations Subcommittee Update

Jaramillo provided an update on the discussions of the Community Relations Subcommittee at their last meeting (August 1, 2005).

Louie suggested that the LECC find out which Oregon law enforcement agencies are working towards state and/or national accreditation. Peterson suggested that staff consult Walt Myers for information on model community outreach and training programs.

Approve Minutes of June 16, 2005 Meeting

Thompson moved to approve the minutes of the LECC Community Relations Subcommittee June 16, 2005 meeting. Louie seconded, and the subcommittee unanimously approved, the motion.

Approve Minutes of August 1, 2005 Meeting

Thompson moved to approve the minutes of the LECC Community Relations Subcommittee August 1, 2005 meeting. Louie seconded, and the subcommittee unanimously approved, the motion.

Meetings with Leadership of Oregon State Sheriffs Association (OSSA), Oregon Association Chief of Police (OACP) and Oregon State Police (OSP)

Because the Superintendent of OSP will not be able to attend the meeting on September 1, it was decided that this meeting should be rescheduled. The meeting with leadership of

the OSSA will be held on September 7 at 2:00 p.m. in Hood River, and the meeting with leadership of OACP will be held on October 25 or 26.

It was also decided that those who meet with law enforcement at the upcoming meetings will have the discretion to share OASIS information during those meetings, including providing copies of draft documents.

Law Enforcement Survey

The committee reviewed a draft survey, composed by Chaiken and based on text previously prepared by Fidanque, which included an introductory letter as well as both sets of questions. The committee authorized staff to edit the survey to reflect this meeting's discussion, and to distribute the edited survey to law enforcement leadership before the upcoming meetings with them.

Fidanque moved to approve the document while still allowing staff the right to make appropriate changes as they deem necessary, including suggestions from the law enforcement organizations the LECC consults with, without having to bring it back to committee for approval again. Jaramillo seconded, and the committee unanimously approved, the motion.

Other Business / Open Comments from LECC

Jaramillo suggested that all LECC meeting dates/times through June 2006 be chosen soon. It was decided that Uva will e-mail the three co-chairs in order to find possible meeting times that work for all three of them, and then to send these choices to all members and staff in order to find the best meeting dates and times.

Peterson stated that staff should circulate a draft of the LECC Annual Report 2005 to members and staff no later than October 17, 2005. The draft will be discussed at the next meeting (October 24, 2005).

Adjournment

Jaramillo moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m. Chaiken seconded, and the committee unanimously approved, the motion.