

**Law Enforcement Contacts Policy and Data Review Committee (LECC)  
MEETING MINUTES  
May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 12:38 p.m.**

Department of Public Safety Standards and Training, Salem, Oregon

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**LECC Members Present**

Justice Edwin Peterson, Chair, Distinguished Jurist in Residence, Willamette University  
College of Law

Annabelle Jaramillo, Subcommittee Chair, Benton County Commissioner

Scott Akins, Oregon State University

**LECC Subcommittee Members Present**

Major Craig Durbin, Oregon State Police

**LECC Staff Present**

Brian Renauer, Emma Covelli, & Lauren Brown, Criminal Justice Policy Research  
Institute, Portland State University

Dr. Jan Chaiken, Consultant

Mike Stafford, Criminal Justice Commission

**Guests**

Lily Caceres, Oregon Youth Authority, Office of Minority Services

Rose Lewis, League of Women Voters

**Welcome / Introductions**

Justice Peterson welcomed everyone as Chair of this meeting.

**Approve Agenda**

The agenda was approved.

**Approve Minutes of March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

Mr. Akins moved, Ms. Jaramillo seconded, and the subcommittee unanimously approved the minutes of the LECC Community meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

**Future Funding Subcommittee Update**

Dr. Renauer will meet with a grant monitor regarding a small amount of surplus LECC funding that remains. Ms. Covelli is working with Portland State University (PSU) to research other potential funding options. She currently has permission from PSU to send inquires to the Spirit Mountain Foundation, Soros Foundation, and United Way. She is pursuing these opportunities as well following up on other potential funding partnerships.

*Action: Dr. Renauer*

## **Data Review Subcommittee Update**

The LECC Data Review Subcommittee meeting was held this morning. Chair Akins updated the committee on the morning meeting.

### **Status Update on Stop/Search Data**

The committee discussed the inaccuracy of the language used to describe the stop/search data in the Annual Reports. The committee decided the 2011 Annual Report would include a footnote indicating that errors existed in the language used in prior reports. The LECC will also include the error note and updated language.

The committee decided to adopt the following concept as the purpose of the Stop/Search Data:

The purpose of collecting stop and search data *is not to prove or disprove racial profiling or racially biased policing*. The best the data can do is examine disparity (i.e. when racial or ethnic groups experience greater traffic stops and searches than what is expected). Disparity does not prove or disprove the possibility of racially biased policing. We do not know the cause of disparity (but may be able to examine some correlates). Disparity analysis allows departments to periodically brainstorm about their tactics and strategies, question the causes of any disparity, and think about new or reinforced training on procedures and ethics. Disparity analysis is not meant to pass judgment; it is meant to facilitate discussion, analysis, reflection, and where desired action.

### **Review of Recommended OSP data collection points**

Major Durbin reported to the subcommittee that the Oregon State Police had decided to limit collection of search data to only those searches involving the driver or the vehicle and to eliminate electronic data collection of searches involving the passenger. The committee discussed pros and cons of the action by OSP and acknowledged the limitations of OSP's ability to collect more detailed data about searches.

## **Community Relations Subcommittee Update**

The LECC Community Relations Subcommittee meeting was held this morning.

### **Update on Perspectives on Profiling Training**

#### **a) Update on Profiling Training**

The committee was updated on Tactical Ethics: Perspectives on Profiling trainings that occurred at the Lane County Reserve Academy, three regional trainings along the Oregon Coast (Gold Beach, Reedsport, & Seaside) in late March and at the DPSST Academy as two hour elective course. The committee hopes to continue offering Tactical Ethics: Perspectives on Profiling as an elective course at the DPSST Academy in the future. Future regional trainings are scheduled for Boardman on May 18<sup>th</sup> and in the Portland/Salem area in mid-June.

### **b) Update on Curriculum Development for Follow-Up Trainings**

The follow-up training curriculum is continuing to be developed. Committee members were given an outline of the curriculum to review & the committee requested the addition of more Hispanic based scenarios to the training as well as a cultural awareness section. A training manual is being prepared for the trainers to reference and the training will be demonstrated on June 9<sup>th</sup> in Eugene. *Action: Ms. Covelli*

### **Perspectives on Profiling Follow-up Survey**

Additional agencies have been contacted about distributing the follow-up survey. There is a possibility data will be prepared for the committee to review in time for the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. *Action: Dr. Renuaer & Ms. Covelli*

### **Community Relations Outreach Update**

The community relations outreach manual is still in progress. A more in-depth update will be given at the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. *Action: Ms. Covelli, Mr. Dabney, Ms. Hedrick, and Dr. Renuaer.*

### **Oaths of Office**

The appointed committee members in attendance completed the Oath of Office. Committee members unable to attend the meeting will be requested to take the Oath of Office and promptly submit the completed and notarized oath to the Governor's office. *Action: Ms. Brown*

### **Mr. Carrascos Sabbatical**

Mr. Carrasco will attend meetings VIA teleconference or Skype while on sabbatical.

### **Other Business / Open Comments**

Mr. Stafford will be leaving the committee at the end of the biennium. The committee members thanked Mr. Stafford for his service.

### **Public Comments**

Ms. Lewis told the committee she learned about international peace and justice issues while traveling. The committee suggested she present on her learnings at a future meeting.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Further information on the LECC is available at:  
<http://www.cjpri.ccj.pdx.edu/LECC/index.php>