Welcome/Introductions
Many LECC members were unable to attend this meeting due to the legislative session. Commissioner Jaramillo acted as Chair of the committee for this meeting.

Approve Minutes of January 30, 2007 Meeting
This was postponed to the next LECC meeting.

Update on HB 2102
Mike Stafford informed the committee that HB 2102 was set to appear before the Senate Judiciary Committee on March 19, 2007, but was cancelled due to a committee member's illness. It is now rescheduled to appear on May 1, 2007 at 1:15 p.m.
LECC Website
The URL of the new unofficial LECC website is:
http://www.cjpri.eej.pdx.edu/LECC/index.php

Dr. Chaiken and Mr. Stafford had sent e-mails suggesting that an introductory paragraph describing the LECC be included in the website. The LECC member and staff attending this meeting agreed.

New LECC Members Discussion
Chief Louie will be retiring this year. The Oregon Association Chiefs of Police (OACP) has recommended that Chief Rosanne Sizer of the Portland Police Bureau serve as the OACP representative on the LECC. John Minnis, Director of the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST), will also be appointed to the LECC. In addition, Chief Louie has ensured that his successor will continue to support Lt. Henry Reimann’s involvement with the LECC.

Data Review Subcommittee Update
Dr. Renauer offered an update on the LECC Data Review Subcommittee’s e-mail meeting which occurred during the week of March 12, 2007. The following three topics were covered:

1. The LECC Technical Assistance Team (TAT) met with the Corvallis Police Department on February 15, 2007. The Corvallis Police Department has been collecting stop data since 2001, using Scantron forms. They provided the TAT with all of the stop data that they have collected so far (2001-2007). The Corvallis Police Department has not analyzed their data internally. They discussed the department’s experiences with the Scantron stop data collection system. Dr. Renauer suggested that the Scantron format may serve as a potential model for smaller agencies that do not have CAD systems. The Corvallis Police Department agreed that this is a good method for smaller departments, with the main potential barrier being cost. Mr. Stafford noted that, if many agencies were to adopt this data collection system, the Scantron company may be willing to offer group discounts. The Corvallis Police Department is now in the process of changing to a computerized data collection system, but they commented that it would have been useful to have had a central repository for scanning and analysis of Scantron data forms. The Criminal Justice Policy Research Institute of Portland State University could serve as an effective repository of this sort. The TAT will follow up with the Corvallis Police Department to assess their progress with this switch to a computerized data collection system, and will prepare a report on their data.

2. Dr. Renauer drafted a report on his analyses of Corvallis Police Department stop data collected between 2002 and 2006. He chose a five-year period to correspond with the five-year period of Oregon State Police (OSP) and Hillsboro Police Department stop data analyzed in the previous TAT report. He distributed this draft report to the Data Review Subcommittee for their comments. The subcommittee requested that he include more comparisons to OSP/Hillsboro Police Department data and that he
perform some additional analyses of the OSP, Hillsboro Police Department and Corvallis Police Department data.

3. The subcommittee discussed a new statewide public perception survey, similar to the OASIS survey which was last conducted in 2005. Dr. Renauer and Dr. Chaiken are working on making some slight changes to the methodology that will provide for a statewide representative sample, especially of the Hispanic/Latino population. There will have to be an “oversample” of the African-American population, however, since the majority of this population lives in Multnomah County.

Community Relations Subcommittee Update

The LECC Community Relations Subcommittee met directly before this meeting. Dr. Renauer provided an update. Since the work of the subcommittee is currently focused on training, they invited the LECC Training Workgroup to participate in the meeting.

At the LECC Training Workgroup meeting held on February 13, 2007, Rick Gardner of the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) offered to hold a DPSST Policy Committee meeting at which Simon Wiesenthal Center (SWC) trainers could offer segments of the SWC Perspectives on Profiling training program. The workgroup fully supports this idea, and will contact DPSST to discuss it further.

The subcommittee decided that, simultaneous to organizing this DPSST Policy Committee meeting, they should also start planning a regional Perspectives on Profiling training institute. Some Oregon agencies already have trained personnel to offer this training. Dr. Renauer and Mr. Stafford have attended parts of this training at the Salem Police Department. They agreed that it is excellent training, and that it could be adapted to fit a wider audience of public safety personnel. The training is available in four, six and eight-hour blocks.

Those attending the subcommittee meeting agreed that they would like to buy the SWC training curriculum for the entire state rather than region-by-region. Purchasing the curriculum for the state would require approximately 25 people to be trained as trainers. If the prospective trainers go to Los Angeles for the SWC train-the-trainer program, the SWC may be willing to cover the cost. However, if they want SWC personnel to perform the train-the-trainer program in Oregon, it would not be covered by the SWC and would thus be more expensive.

The LECC will also contact the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police (OACP) and Oregon State Sheriffs Association (OSSA) before the next LECC meeting to discuss their interest in SWC training and potential inclusion in their conferences’ agendas in the fall.

The LECC Community Relations Subcommittee and Training Workgroup also discussed the need to change the perception that the LECC is responsible for institutionalizing and implementing training on these issues. The LECC needs to identify a state agency, such as the DPSST, that has the authority to institutionalize this training.
LECC Budget: Spending Options
Dr. Renauer asked whether or not the committee approved the purchase of the SWC Perspectives on Profiling training for the entire state. Since so many LECC members were unable to attend this meeting, Commissioner Jaramillo asked Dr. Renauer to send her an outline of the proposed spending decisions. She will discuss them with Justice Peterson, and will send them to the committee for a majority concurrence. Once that is received, she stated that Dr. Renauer can begin working on what needs to be done, and the decision can be ratified at the next LECC meeting.

Schedule Future Meetings
The next LECC meeting will be scheduled via e-mail. Mr. Stafford suggested that the meeting be held in the morning due to the legislative session, and that it be held in the Archives Building conference room. A conference telephone will be available in that room.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.