LECC Data Review Subcommittee Members Present
David Fidanque, Executive Director, American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon
Captain Gerry Gregg, Oregon State Police

Other LECC Members Present
Gilbert Carrasco, Professor of Law, Willamette University
Kevin Diaz, Staff Attorney, Northwest Justice Project
Annabelle Jaramillo, Benton County Commissioner
Frank Thompson, Superintendent, Santiam Correctional Institution

LECC Staff Present
Dr. Jan Chaiken, Consultant (participated by telephone)
Brian Renauer, Laura Uva, Criminal Justice Policy Research Institute, Portland State University

LECC Data Review Subcommittee Members Excused
Scott Akins, Professor, Department of Sociology, Oregon State University
Dr. William Feyerherm, Vice Provost for Research/Graduate Studies, Portland State University

Guests
Ryan Anton, Portland Community College
Lily Caceres, Office of Minority Services, Oregon Youth Authority
Jack Lawson, Oregon Youth Authority
Lt. Henry Reimann, Hillsboro Police Department
Mike Stafford, Oregon Criminal Justice Commission
Robert Stickland, Portland Community College

Welcome / Introductions
In the absence of Dr. Feyerherm, Mr. Fidanque served as Chair of this meeting. Ryan Anton and Robert Stickland are students of former LECC member Ron Louie, at Portland Community College. These students, as well as Superintendent Thompson, Mr. Diaz, Lt. Reimann, Commissioner Jaramillo, and Mr. Carrasco arrived at about 10:00 a.m.

Approve Agenda
The agenda was approved.
Approve Minutes of May 21, 2008 Meeting
Dr. Chaiken made an editing comment. Ms. Uva will circulate the corrected minutes before the next meeting. The subcommittee chose to postpone the approval of the minutes until the next subcommittee meeting, due to the low number of attendees that are official members of the subcommittee.

Technical Assistance Update
Dr. Renauer updated the committee on his conversations with the Portland Police Bureau regarding analysis of their traffic stop data. He has been working with Leslie Stephens, who is the Director of the Office of Professional Standards. They have a meeting scheduled for July 24, 2008, at which they plan to discuss their expectations for the traffic stop data analysis. The LECC is interested in using the 2006 Census Bureau American Community Survey in order to have more accurate population characteristics to compare with the stop data. They would also like to analyze the data at the precinct level. The Population Research Center at Portland State University is working with the 2006 Census Bureau community survey data to get city-wide as well as precinct-level population statistics by age and by race/ethnicity. Dr. Renauer suggested the LECC may also consider analyzing the data at the district level, but is unsure whether the 2006 Census Bureau community survey data would be accurate enough for this. Dr. Chaiken commented that he thinks analyzing the data at that level should be a City function, rather than a function of the LECC. He recommended that the LECC provide a level of assistance that would be adequate for the Portland Police Bureau to carry out analyses for geographical subareas that are compatible with the analyses done by the LECC. The subcommittee informally agreed that the LECC would not offer to analyze data at the district level. The subcommittee discussed the differences between the census data used previously in analyses and the 2006 Census Bureau community survey data. The subcommittee also discussed the issue of the large commuting population in Portland, the complications of assigning I-5, I-84 and Hwy 26 traffic stops to the precinct level and how these issues might affect data analysis. The subcommittee recommended checking with the Portland Police Bureau to find out if there are any codes in the data, related to the unit or the location of the stop, that would help resolve these issues.

Dr. Renauer is in contact with the Monmouth Police Department as well, with plans to provide technical assistance to them.

An e-mail written by former LECC member Greg Willeford was distributed, describing his contact with the Willamette Valley Communications Center (WVCC). He describes how partnering with this center will help the LECC to be able to offer technical assistance more efficiently to more agencies. Dr. Renauer suggested that the LECC consider contracting with retired Lt. Col. Willeford. The subcommittee agreed that pursuing a partnership with the WVCC would be a very positive development for the work of the LECC that would justify expending grant resources to help make it happen.

Ms. Caceres asked how race/ethnicity is categorized in analyses, and commented on how the new census separation of race and ethnicity categories makes it difficult for many Hispanics to choose an accurate description of their race. Dr. Renauer explained that
police departments record race during traffic stops based purely on the officer’s perception. Mr. Fidanque added that police departments do not separate race and ethnicity categories, and so do not match the categories of the census data. In LECC analyses, Hispanics are analyzed in a separate category. Mr. Fidanque suggested that the LECC discuss this issue in their reports on stop data.

**Status Update on Analysis of Data from Law Enforcement Agencies**
Dr. Renauer informed the subcommittee that the Oregon State Police (OSP) will submit their 2006-07 stop data to the LECC for analysis. The 2008 LECC Annual Report will thus contain analyses of stop data from OSP, the Portland Police Bureau, and possibly Monmouth Police Department and new analyses of older data.

**Youth Survey / Focus Groups Update**
(Superintendent Thompson, Mr. Diaz, Lt. Reimann, Commissioner Jaramillo, Mr. Carrasco, Mr. Anton and Mr. Stickland arrived at about 10:00 a.m.)

The LECC applied to have questions added to the Oregon Healthy Teens (OHT) survey, and are awaiting a response.

The LECC will conduct focus groups to assess the clarity and usefulness of the questions they will add to the OHT survey. The Police Athletics League (PAL) expressed interest in participating in the focus groups. PAL youth will range in age from 13 to 16, and will be split into four focus groups of about 20 youth each. Each group will also have a facilitator, note taker and PAL counselor. The focus groups will be held on July 29, 2008, for about an hour. There will be an ice-breaker exercise, and the youth will be asked to fill out a short questionnaire. Confidentiality is very important and protections are in place.

Dr. Renauer hopes to get the human subjects review approval this Friday, July 18, and train the facilitators and note takers the following Friday, July 25.

The subcommittee discussed the issue of confidentiality and trust of parents, and made suggestions about the probing questions.

**Public Comments**
There were no public comments.

**Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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