

ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING AND STANDARDS BOARD  
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**MINUTES OF THE CURRICULUM & SCHOOL  
STANDARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel & Conference Center  
201 Broadway, Normal, IL 61761

**June 12, 2024  
2:00 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The June 12, 2024 Curriculum Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Ghida Neukirch at 2:03 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL ~ ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

Roll was called by Michelle Mlinar, and a quorum of voting members was established.

**Members in Attendance:**

Ghida Neukirch  
Mitchell R. Davis III

**Designees in Attendance:**

Steven Ryan for Latoya Hughes  
Migdalia Bulnes for Larry Snelling

**Members Absent:**

Thomas Dart

**Staff in Attendance:**

Jim Bianchi	Chris Haubrich	Ellen Petty
James Buchanan	Scott Heston	Paul Petty
Keith Calloway	Kelton Ingram	Steven Pingolt
Jeffrey Chapman	John Keigher	Kortenay Templeton
Anthony Cobb	Sheryl Lloyd	Jason Wolfe
Hilary Davis	Michelle Mlinar	Cherylynn Williams
Stormie DeJaynes	Jan Noble	Barbara Wood
Pat Hahn	Andrew Oldfield	

**Others in Attendance:**

Heather Hotz, ILETSEB-EI	John W. Reynolds, MTU 4
Brenda Swires, ILETSEB-EI	Brian Fengel, MTU 7
Jeff Ragan, MTU 1	Denelle Hetrick, MTU 8
Jay Koett, MTU 1	Penny Abbott, MTU 9
Jeff Schelling, MTU 2	Ken Yelliott, MTU 9
Joe Schweih, MTU 3	Bruce Liebe, MTU 10
April Morris, MTU 3	Dan Ryan, MTU 10

Kevin Koontz, MTU 12	Tom Myers, PTI
Brad Oyer, MTU 13	Joe Prosser, PTI/DuPage County SO
Kelsey Jacobson, MTU 13	Jason LaMendola, Sauk Valley PA
David Hayes, MTU 14	Eric Danford, SWIC PA
David Rednour, MTU 15	Josh Ward, Illinois State Police
Kim Cramer, MTU 15	Jason Lococo, Illinois State Police
Doug Wilson, MTU 15	Jo Ann Armenta, ISP Retired
Justin Spencer, MTU 15	David Oliver, Police Law Institute
Bradley Hertzmann, MTU 16	Carla Redd, Rockford PD
Michael Schassburger, Cook County SO	Timothy Tyler, Champaign PD
Larry Schurig, Cook County SO	Michael Jackson, Lake County SO
Jim Getz, MCLETC	Carmen Navarro Gercone, Clerk of the
Joe Gallo, PTI	Circuit Court of Cook County

### III. APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL/COURSE CERTIFICATION

Paul Petty recommended the 2024 Sheriffs Winter Training Conference five-hour *Sexual Assault Trauma Informed Response for Patrol Refresher Course*, and the seven-hour *Management’s Role in Helping Keep Good People Good Course* for certification.

For the MTU course certification Dave Rednour, MTU 15 Director, recommended standardizing Taser (for the Board’s purposes Taser will be referred to as Electro-Muscular Device or EMD going forward) courses. Rednour gave a brief history and described how EMD’s work. He recommended the two-hour *Electro-Muscular Device Refresher Course*, the six-hour *Electro-Muscular Device Certification Course*, and the 12-hour *Electro-Muscular Device Instructor Certification Course* for certification. The 12-hour instructor course is four hours online and eight hours in person taught by a master instructor, this certification is good for two years. For the six-hour course the instructor must obtain updated course information from Axon 72 hours prior to the class being given and there are two tests to pass, one is informational and the other is using the EMD. The 2-hour course must be taken annually to recertify and must be able to use the EMD properly to pass, no other tests are given. Rednour asked that the EMD courses be the first of many that the Board standardizes.

**Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Bulnes, and carried by all members present to certify the two 2024 Sheriffs’ Association Winter Training Conference courses as presented, and the three MTU Electro-Muscular Device courses as presented.**

**IV. IN-SERVICE, ADVANCED AND SPECIALIZED COURSES FOR CERTIFICATION/RECERTIFICATION ~ Paul Petty**

Petty asked for approval of the In-Service training certified courses for January 1, 2024 through May 14, 2024 located under Tab J in the Board book.

**Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Bulnes, and carried by all members present to approve the In-Service training certified courses for January 1, 2024 through May 14, 2024.**

**V. LEAD HOMICIDE INVESTIGATORS 32-HOURS APPROVED CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES for CERTIFICATION/RECERTIFICATION ~ Paul Petty**

Petty asked for approval of the Lead Homicide Investigator 32-Hour Continuing Education certified courses submitted for January 1, 2024 through May 14, 2024 located under Tab J in the Board book.

**Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Ryan, and carried by all members present to approve the Lead Homicide Investigator 32-Hour Continuing Education certified courses submitted for January 1, 2024 through May 14, 2024.**

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. POWER Test Work Group: John Keigher reported the POWER Test Work Group had its first meeting on May 23, 2024 with Mike Schlosser stepping in to Chair the group. The group consists of chiefs, sheriffs, representatives from unions, trainers, and a few executives. They discussed recent issues and trends and started researching available options. The group plans to hold monthly meetings.

**Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Ryan, and carried by all members present to approve the POWER Test Work Group report.**

B. Basic Court Security Course at SWIC: Eric Danford reported that the course consists of 240 hours; 80 hours will be online and the remaining 160 hours will be in person. The in person 160 hours will consist of 40 hours for MFT, 40 hours for defensive tactics including EMD and OC certification, 40 hours of Court Security officer specific material, the remaining time will include hands on scenario training, first aid, and wellness and stress management to complete the 160 hours. Working with SWIC and the Illinois Community College Board participants will receive 12 hours of college credit upon completion of the program towards a degree. Danford is hopeful to offer this program in Spring 2025.

**Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Ryan, and carried by all members present to approve the Basic Court Security Course report.**

- C. **Department of Justice Update:** Heather Hotz presented the Committee with 23 additional courses for approval. Hotz stated that most of the courses presented have a basis in higher education. Chair Neukirch asked the Committee to support the progress being made and requested this to be brought up at the next meeting for discussion to give the Committee time to review the courses. The presented courses are as follows:

1. Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) Refresher
2. After-Action Review and Reporting: An Introduction
3. Better Encounters: Police and People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
4. Campus Safety Training Program: School Reunification
5. Changing Perceptions: A Fair & Impartial Policing Approach
6. Community Policing Defined
7. Community Policing: Improving Police Efficacy and Building Trust
8. Contemporary Approaches for Responding Effectively to Community-Defined Disorder
9. Contemporary Approaches for Responding Effectively to Community-Defined Disorder for Executives
10. Crime Reduction: Enforcement and Prevention Strategies
11. Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Overview
12. Drug Identification and Recognition: Depressants, Antidepressants, and Inhalants
13. Drug Identification and Recognition: Dissociative Anesthetics
14. Drug Identification and Recognition: Hallucinogens
15. Drug Identification and Recognition: Stimulants
16. Ethical Considerations for Asset Forfeiture
17. Ethical Decision Making: Policing with Principled Insight
18. Expert Insights: Testifying in Court as a Drug Recognition Expert
19. Introduction to SRO Programs
20. Introduction to the Non-Confrontational Investigative Interviewing Approach
21. New Perspectives on Community Policing
22. P5 – Preventing Problems by Promoting Positive Practices
23. Place-Based Policing for Small and Rural Agencies
24. Postnatal Risks – How You Can Make A Difference
25. Prenatal Substance Exposure – Why Should I Care
26. Problem-Oriented Policing: The SARA Model
27. Supporting Your Mission: An Introduction to the Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) Near Miss Reporting System
28. You Can Change the Long-Term Outcomes of Drug Endangered Children

**Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Bulnes, and carried by all members present to approve the certification of the Department of Justice presented courses.**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**VIII. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE AND LOCATION**

June 13, 2024  
Springfield, Illinois

**IX. NEXT CURRICULUM AND SCHOOL STANDARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING DATE AND LOCATION**

September 11, 2024  
Springfield

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Bulnes, and carried by all members present to adjourn the meeting at 2:21 p.m.**

