

ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING AND STANDARDS BOARD
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**MINUTES OF THE JOINT FINANCE & LEGISLATIVE
AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

June 12, 2024
3:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The June 12, 2024 Joint Finance & Legislative and Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. by Committee Chair Sean Smoot.

II. ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

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

Members in Attendance:

Sean Smoot
Richard Watson

Members Absent:

John Idleburg
Tim Nugent
J.W. Price

Designees in Attendance:

Jason Lococo for Brendan Kelly
Carmen Navarro-Gercone for Iris
Martinez
John Carroll for Kwame Raoul

Staff in Attendance:

Jim Bianchi	Stormie DeJaynes	Jan Noble
James Buchanan	Pat Hahn	Ellen Petty
Keith Calloway	Scott Heston	Steven Pingolt
Jeffrey Chapman	John Keigher	Cherylynn Williams
Anthony Cobb	Sheryl Lloyd	
Hilary Davis	Michelle Mlinar	

Others in Attendance:

Michael Schassburger, Cook County SO	Migdalia Bulnes, CPD
Larry Schurig, Cook County SO	David Oliver, Police Law Institute
Joe Gallo, PTI	Carla Redd, Rockford PD
Tod Myers, PTI	Timothy Tyler, Champaign PD
Jason LaMendola, Sauk Valley PA	Liz Brown-Reeves, LBR Consulting

III. FINANCIAL MATTERS

A. Financial Items ~ Steven Pingolt

Pingolt noted the financial information could be found under Tab F and in a memo that was passed out to the Board.

Motion was made by Watson, seconded by Carroll, and carried by all members present to approve the FY24 Expenditures through May 31, 2024, the FY25 Budget, and the FY25 Budget for Basic Training and In-Service Expenses, and Training Services.

At this time Chairman Smoot asked Liz Brown-Reeves, Legislative Liaison to the Board, to introduce herself to the Committee. Brown-Reeves stated she just wrapped up her 24th Session with the General Assembly and was a House Staffer for nine years prior. She has been a Government Affairs Consultant for the past 15 years. She enjoyed working with staff this session and stated they were able to make adjustments to stop anything that would have negatively affected the Board.

B. Personnel Matters & DEIA Report ~ Ellen Petty

Petty noted that her report is in the Board book. She addressed a couple of questions she received from a Board member. She stated five positions have been abolished because their duties have been moved to other positions that have been created, and one position was held open due to an employee being on a four-year leave of absence due to a disability. Petty then discussed a few items listed in her report, including her DEIA end of year report that is due July 3, 2024.

C. Legislative and Litigation Update ~ John Keigher

Keigher stated the Governor has signed the budget bill and there were about a dozen bills that staff has been following, only two of those made it to the end of session.

- SB 3201 Senator Toro: Autism Courses
Adds “autism-informed law enforcement responses, techniques, and procedures” to the tri-annual mandates and requires the Board to establish a course that meets this requirement. The Executive Institute is already reviewing the existing course on this topic and revising it to comply with the requirements.
- SB 3116 Senator Morrison: Accessing Medical Information
Requires the Board to create a course to train officers on how to access and utilize medical information that is stored on a cell phone. The Department of Public health is to create guidelines on this topic, and these may be incorporated into the training. This is not a mandated training.

- SB 4959 Senator Sims: BIMP:
This bill makes several modifications to fiscal programs throughout the State, and this year requires modifications to the Board’s Camera Grant program. It expands the Board’s authority to offer grants for cameras that are “leased” as well as purchased and requires the Board to now offer an advance funding option in addition to the current reimbursement option.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. SAFE-T Act ~ John Keigher

Keigher reported staff has completed 80% of the requirements for the SAFE-T Act and discussed items completed. He noted staff is still setting up the process for discretionary decertification hearings and 11 of the 13 appointments have been made to the Certification Review Panel. Staff is looking to set up contracts with Administrative Law Judges in July and hopes to conduct hearings in the upcoming months. Keigher then reported the preliminary set of rules have been drafted and are ready to start the reviewing process through JCAR.

A representative for Clerk Martinez asked if the Board was going to update the rules to run for sheriff in Illinois. Keigher stated that what stands now is a condition of the Sheriffs’ Association. During the last election, staff did reach out to the Elections Board to offer assistance, though it falls on them to establish the standards as they are the governing body regarding election rules.

B. Grant Update ~ John Keigher

1. Recruitment & Retention Grants:

\$10 million was awarded to 76 agencies. FY25 funding for this grant stayed the same at \$10 million.

2. NIBIN Grants:

\$1.2 million was awarded to 12 of the 17 applicants – three withdrew their applications and two had technical complications. This grant has been reduced from \$4 million to \$2 million for FY25.

3. Camera Grants:

Staff received 158 applications in the fall and 58 applications in the spring. 112 agencies have been awarded about \$7.5 million, those totals are expected to increase to around \$10 million as the fiscal year is wrapped up. Funding for the Camera Grant was increased from \$30 million to \$60 million for FY25.

V. NEW BUSINESS

None

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Watson, seconded by Lococo, and carried by all members present to adjourn the meeting at 3:24 p.m.

