



BOARD ON CORRECTIONAL TRAINING STANDARDS AND EDUCATION

February 5, 2009 – 10:00 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Victoria MacKenzie (Chair), Clark County Sheriff's Office
Pat Love, Pierce College
Mary Ellen Reimund, Central Washington University
Dave Reynolds, Whatcom County Juvenile Court
Sheriff Mike Whelan, Grays Harbor County
Joel Wright, Monroe Correctional Complex
Todd Wiggs, Department of Corrections
Margaret Gilbert, Department of Corrections
Trent Phillips, DSHS, Juvenile Rehabilitation

WSCJTC STAFF PRESENT

Michael D. Parsons, Executive Director
Doug Blair, Deputy Director
Sue Hubbard, Juvenile Corrections Manager, Corrections Division
Brandon Rogel, Adult Corrections Manager, Corrections Division
Anthony Anderman, Regional Manager, Professional Development Division
Al Ervin, Training Coordinator
Kenny Anderson, DT Coordinator
Darlene Tangedahl (Recorder), Administrative Assistant, Corrections Division

GUESTS

Sgt. David Bliss, King County DAJD
Major William Hayes, King County DAJD
Sgt. Darren Stewart, DAJD

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with a quorum present. She thanked the Vice-Chair for covering the November meeting.

Sue Hubbard introduced a new Board member, Margaret Gilbert, Associate Superintendent of Operations at the Washington Corrections Center for Women.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 6, 2008 MEETING

*A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as written.
Motion carried unanimously.*

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Michael D. Parsons

HB1194 - SB5131 Crisis referral services for criminal justice and correctional personnel.

Requires the criminal justice training commission to:

- (1) Offer a training session on personal crisis recognition and crisis intervention services to criminal justice and correctional personnel; and
- (2) Make the training available to all employees of state and local agencies that perform public safety duties.

HB1324 - SB5157 Modifies the requirements of psychological examinations for peace officer certification.

Doug Blair said that the original legislation does not give anyone the authority to establish a standard. Standards will be set by the Commission, the same standards as established by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP).

HB1497 – SB5994 Eliminates boards and commissions on June 30, 2010.

SB5987 Revises the criminal justice training commission's authority for certification.

Dr. Parsons said that this bill would take the Department of Corrections (DOC) training out of the WSCJTC completely. This will change the Board make-up, eliminating the DOC positions. He said that on Monday, February 9 at 3:00 there will be a special Commission Meeting to discuss legislation that would allow the Department of Corrections to break away from the Commission.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Brandon Rogel

A handout was provided.

Several key concepts were presented for the Board to review:

- An historical review of the strategic planning process in context of the COA assessment

- New Corrections Division mission: “Train a Corrections Officer to be a confident professional with the ability to communicate and apply laws and policies/procedures while providing a safe, secure and humane environment for detainees”.
- Reviewed curricula development process to include JTAs conducted for each academy
- Curricula design model: ADDIE (Analyze, Design, Develop, Implement and Evaluate)
- Implementation and delivery goals to include the use of online learning and Problem Based Learning (PBL)

Brandon asked the Board for feedback and stated regular updates would be given.

Pat Love expressed several concerns about online learning:

- Exclusion of individuals better suited to other learning styles
- Integration of online and classroom material

Trent Phillips thanked the Commission for doing the JTA's. He also stated that the employee union JRA bargaining agreement needs to be looked at when it comes to paying the student for time spent while doing online training.

Mary Ellen Reimund expressed concern about student productivity during online learning.

Sue Hubbard said that one of the things they will be looking at during the JTA is integrating PBL into training. She encouraged the Board to talk about where they would like to be in the process.

CORRECTIONS DIVISION STAFF REPORT

Brandon Rogel

Brandon introduced new Corrections Division staff. Al Ervin is the TAC Officer, coming to the Commission on a two-year contract. He works for the Renton City Jail as a Certified Jail Officer and has served in the United States Marine Corps.

Kenny Anderson is the Defensive Tactics Coordinator and comes to the Commission on a six-month contract from the Department of Social and Health Services, Green Hill School where he is a supervisor of a 64 bed living unit that houses both JRA and DOC youth ages 16-21 years of age.

Dana Lynam has returned to Pierce County.

The February Corrections Officers Academy has been cancelled, due to low enrollment. The March class will be full; it will actually be an increased class size.

There was no graduation ceremony for the December graduation, due to inclement weather.

Brandon said that at some point, the Work Release Academy may be trained by the Department of Corrections (DOC), as they are contract. The WSCJTC is working with the DOC on this issue.

Sue Hubbard

Sue said that the upcoming Juvenile Probation Academy was cancelled due to low enrollment. The JRCA is scheduled for April, MPCCA is scheduled for June and JSA is scheduled for May, but enrollment is low.

CERTIFICATION/DE-CERTIFICATION

Doug Blair

The WASPC Corrections Committee feels that some kind of certification/de-certification for corrections should already be in place. In 2004, the Commission put forth a bill, but was not successful, due to the costs involved. One of the questions is what the requirement should be for corrections personnel to be certified. The Commission and the Board have the opportunity to set the standards. Should the standards be the same as for law enforcement? Who in corrections should be certified? If certification is revoked, how long should it be for (law enforcement is for five years, unless it is a felony, which is for life). The IADLEST website has information about other states' certification standards.

He said that it took four years to get the law enforcement certification/de-certification through. The goal is to have draft legislation completed by next year. The estimated implementation cost would be \$300-400,000. Trent Phillips said that his agency would definitely be interested.

Sheriff Whelan said that one of the problems in 2004 was that it was difficult to get legislators to see the benefit of it.

Sheriff Whelan said that with the Department of Corrections proposal that if they break away from the WSCJTC, would that mean that the DOC would be included in the certification/de-certification process? Doug said that this is an issue that still needs to be decided.

OLD BUSINESS

Pat Love asked about the recommendation that the push-up level go to 10 for juvenile attendees. Dr. Parsons said that the Commission denied the request and that he has invited Michael Merringer, President of the Juvenile Court Administrator's organization to the March 11th Commission Meeting to present the juvenile court Administrators' concerns regarding the PAT.

NEW BUSINESS

None

A motion was made and seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

**The next meeting is scheduled for:
May 7, 2009 – 10:00 a.m.**

Written by: _____ February 25, 2009
Darlene Tangedahl, Admin. Assistant

Reviewed by: _____ February 25, 2009
Sue Hubbard
Juvenile Corrections Manager

Reviewed by: _____ March 4, 2009
Brandon Rogel
Adult Corrections Manager

Approved by: _____ March 3, 2009
Victoria MacKenzie, Chair