



CHIEFLY CHATTER December 2011

CCPCA

Association News and Meeting Minutes

MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 15, 2011

HOLIDAY INN, INDEPENDENCE

The General Membership meeting of the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association was called to order at 1208 hours by President Harris.

Roll Call Chief Loftus led the Pledge of Allegiance and Chaplain Kostura led the Invocation. Secretary Treasurer Loftus called the roll of officers. All present. Members and guests introduced themselves.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes *A motion to accept the minutes of the regular membership meeting of November 17, 2011 as distributed, was made by Chief Maine and seconded by Chief Viland. Motion Passed.*

Financial Report Executive Director Bruckner reported that our account balances are as follows:

\$ 10,854.60	General Fund
\$ 5,151.46	Scholarship Reserve
\$ 6,939.04	Checking
\$ 22,945.10	Total

A Motion to accept the Financial Report was made by Chief Kostura and seconded by Chief Miller. Motion Passed.

Executive Director's Report Bob Bruckner.

- **Installation Dinner Tickets.** Are on sale for \$40.00 each for the dinner on January 21, 2012. Dinner selections are Boston

Strip Roast, Boneless Stuffed Breast of Chicken and Norwegian Roast Salmon. Reservation deadline is January 13, 2012. Get your reservations and payment in early.

- **Membership Drive reminder.** Chiefs are asked to sponsor their second in command and other command staff if possible. All other members are asked to sponsor one new member. Resolution 2011-3 concerning reduced dues for retired Law Enforcement Administrative members and retired Associate members will be voted on today.

Legal update Steve Parisi.

- Steve reminded the membership that The Civil Rights Act of 1964 requires that meaningful language access (Interpreter Services) must be provided to limited English proficient individuals by courts, police departments and correctional facilities.
- The U.S. Supreme Court has heard arguments in a case alleging that police had searched a residence and seized a lawfully owned firearm based upon a search warrant allegedly issued without adequate probable cause.
- The U.S. Supreme Court is currently considering whether expert witnesses can offer opinions linking defendants to crimes based on lab reports that have not been admitted into evidence.
- Ohio Attorney General DeWine has asked police agencies to send

all untested rape kits to the BCI lab for DNA testing and storage of unknown offender information. Steve expects that rules on how to handle sex assault cases will follow.

- Legislation has been introduced for Ohio to join 13 other states that issue “Blue Alerts” to help capture suspects who have seriously injured or killed law enforcement officers. OAG DeWine supports this legislation.
- A Bill has been introduced in Ohio, which would give prosecutors veto power when a criminal defendant chooses to have his case heard by a judge instead of a jury.

Speaker for Today’s Meeting

Bob Frantz, Crime Stoppers “Case Files”, WKYC TV 3, spoke concerning recent stories showcased on the program and positive responses to the cases. They are always looking for unsolved crimes from area police departments for the show. Call him if you have an unsolved case investigation that could benefit from TV exposure.

Committee Reports

Membership:

- **Lewis C. Merletti**, former Director of the U.S. Secret Service has applied for Associate Membership. *Motion to approve the Associate membership application of Lewis C. Merletti made by Chief Baumgart and seconded by Chief Dease. Motion passed.*

Jail Standards:

- **Chief Viland** will serve on this committee and advises that BADFS no longer exists. It is now unclear what entity will certify local jails but the Buckeye State Sheriffs Assoc. is attempting to take over the function.

Old Business

- **President Harris** advised that the “Summit on Sexual Assault” policy meeting at the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center was well attended and received. A productive discussion was also accomplished between County Executive Ed FitzGerald and members of the CCPCA Board prior to the policy meeting, thus continuing our efforts to improve communications with the County Administration and Council.

New Business

- The Board has approved a donation of \$200.00 to the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society, Capital Improvement Drive

- **Resolution 2011-3** concerning reducing the annual dues for retired Law Enforcement Associate members and retired Associate members. *Motion to approve Resolution 2011-3 amending Article 1, Section 1 of the By-Laws of the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association made by Chief Baumgart and seconded by Chief Wright. Motion passed by the required 2/3 vote of members present. (NOTE: The Board has determined that retired status begins with the retirement of a Law Enforcement Associate member or Associate member from his current position, under which he was granted membership. Re-employment, full or part time, will not change his retired status under this Resolution.)*

Election of Officers for 2012

The following Slate is offered for consideration and nomination for election by the membership.

President	Chief Clayton Harris
Vice-President	Chief Chris Kostura
Secretary	Chief Greg Loftus
Treasurer	Chief Steve Szeredy
Chaplain	Chief Dan Gilles
Senior Governor	Chief Tim Malley
Governor	Chief Scott Lee
Governor	Chief John Maddox
Past President	

There being no other nominations for any of the positions on the slate a motion to nominate and elect the slate of officers as presented was made by Chief Maine and seconded by Chief LaGatta. Motion passed.

Chief LaGatta has been appointed as Life Member Representative to the Board.

The floor was opened for nominations for the open position of Governor.

A motion to nominate Chief Kelly Stillman for the position of Governor was made by Chief Maine and seconded by Chief Maddox.. Motion passed.

A motion to nominate Chief Kevin Nietert for the position of Governor was made by Chief Szeredy and seconded by Chief Viland. Motion Passed.

An election for the position of Governor was held by secret ballot and won by **Chief Nietert**.

A motion to destroy the ballots and close the election was made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief Kostura. Motion passed. The election was closed.

Health and Welfare, Members Ill or in Distress

- **Joan Oleksiak**, wife of CCSO Inspector **Tim Oleksiak** passed away in early December.
- **Steve Parisi's** mother, **Concetta Marie Parisi-Rossi**, passed away early this week.

Good of the Order

- **Rick Bell**, Assistant County Prosecutor commented on Sexual Assault investigation policy.
- **Michelle Gilchrist**, OAG Office advised that "Blue Alert" legislation has passed the Senate and is moving on to the House.

Next Regular Meeting 6:30 PM, Saturday, January 21, 2012. Landerhaven, Installation Dinner, Dance.

Adjournment *Motion to adjourn made by Chief Baumgart and seconded by Chief Dease. Motion*

passed. The Regular Meeting of the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association adjourned at 1321 hours.

RETIREMENT NEWS

Chief Jim Repicky, Euclid Police Department retired December 21, 2011.

Chief Mark Tenaglia, Brooklyn Police Department retired December 29, 2011.

Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association
2012 Officers Installation Dinner
Dance

Saturday, January 21, 2012
Reception 6:30 – Dinner 7:30 – Close 12:00

Landerhaven

6111 Landerhaven Drive, Mayfield Heights

\$ 40.00 per person – Cash Bar
Includes beer, wine, soft drinks, dinner, & dancing

Dinner choice: Boston Strip Roast, Boneless Stuffed Breast of Chicken or Norwegian Roast Salmon





TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE 2012 INSTALLATION DINNER DANCE!!

Please call, fax or e-mail your reservations **and dinner choices** to **Bob Bruckner**. Then send your check, payable to the CCPCA, to the Association office. Your tickets will be mailed to you upon receipt of your check.

The reservation deadline is 1700,

January 13, 2012.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION NOW!

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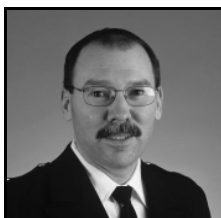


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