



CHIEFLY CHATTER

February 2008

CCPCA

Association News and Meeting Minutes

MEETING MINUTES

February 21, 2008

Holiday Inn,
Independence

The General Membership meeting of the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association was called to order at 1204 hours by President Maine.

Roll Call Chief Maddox led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain Falzone led the Invocation. President Maine called the roll of officers. Lipton and Kalavsky were excused. Members and guests introduced themselves.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes *A motion to accept the minutes of the regular membership meeting of January 26, 2008 as distributed, was made by Chief Falzone and seconded by Chief Bova. Motion passed.*

Financial Report Bob Bruckner reported that our current account balances are as follows:

Money Market	\$ 11,018.88
Checking	\$ 6,650.29
CD	\$ 4,177.53
Total	\$ 21,846.70

A Motion to accept the Financial Report was made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief Maddox. Motion passed.

Executive Director's Report Bob Bruckner reported as follows:

- **Today's Lunch.** Holiday Inn's new lunch cost is \$ 13.00. Pay-

ments by check should be made out to the Holiday Inn. Please collect at each table. Receipts are available at the head table.

- **Retired Hunting Valley Chief Allen Shoaff,** currently the IACP Project Manager, National Strategy to Prevent and Respond to Identity Crimes, has provided a number of informative pamphlets concerning identity theft. They are available here today.
- **Lozick Foundation Donation.** \$1,000.00 donation received. Last year it was used for the Baldwin Wallace Scholarship. Discussed by the Board and decided we would use it in the same manner this year.
- **Bratenahl 100.** Has again donated \$100.00 to our organization.

Legal Update Steve Parisi reported on the following:

- **State v. Crager, 116 Ohio St.3d 369, 2007-Ohio-6840.1.** Records of scientific tests (DNA) are not testimonial and a criminal defendant's constitutional right to confrontation is not violated when a qualified expert DNA analyst testifies at trial in place of the DNA analyst who actually conducted the testing.
- Steve cautioned that in DUI cases "The law requires some affirmative behavior on the part of the defendant and does not prohibit merely being intoxicated" as evidenced by the BAC test. See **State v. Graves 173 Ohio App.3d 526 2007- Ohio-4904.**

- State v. Geeslin, 116 Ohio St.3d 252, 2007-Ohio-5239. In the case of missing portions of a cruiser videotape presented into evidence, the Court stated “we hold that unless a defendant can show that the state acted in bad faith, the state’s failure to preserve potentially useful evidence does not violate a defendant’s due process rights”.

Swearing In Ceremony Governor Frank Bova and Governor Clayton Harris, who were unable to attend the Installation Dinner, were sworn in by President Maine.

Speakers for Today’s Meeting

- **Tim Fisher**, Ohio BMV, Chief of License Reinstatements. Agencies can register for real time driver’s license suspension status information at the BMV site, www.ohiobmv.com. He would like to hear how BMV can assist your agency.
- **Bonnie Rupert**, Ohio BMV, Investigation Supervisor, Youngstown. The investigation unit regulates auto dealers and handles all BMV criminal matters which includes identity theft. They will assist your agency in these matters and also conduct on site training on “Detecting Fraudulent Documents”. Contact her for information at 330-629-2340 or brupert@dps.state.oh.us.

Committee Reports

- **Membership:** The Board approved five new applicants this morning.

Active Membership

Chief John E. Pavelich, University Circle Police Department.

Chief Jack Crivel, Pepper Pike Police Dept..

Chief Steve C. Szeredy, Gates Mills Police Dept.

Law Enforcement Administrator Membership

Sgt. Barry Hendricks, Hunting Valley Police Dept..

ASAC Joseph Gallion, U.S. Immigration & Customs Enforcement.

Application for Associate Membership received from:

Stu Shoaff, retired FBI and U.S. Air Marshals. *Motion to approve Stu Shoaff as an Associate Member made by Dease, Seconded by Pukach. Motion Passed*

• **Training:**

MARCS Radio training is scheduled for March 11&12, 2008. Cuyahoga County Board of Health. Details are posted on our website.

Tri-C. Les Lagatta advises that numerous courses are available through Tri-C. Contact him for additional information.

- **Golf:** Chief Kostura is checking on Beechmont and Chief Maddox is checking on several other possible sites for the June meeting.
- **OACP:** Chief Kocab presented a brief summary of the current problems at OACP concerning a Federal audit of grant funds and controversy concerning Executive Director Wurschmidt’s contract and pay. Director Wurschmidt has been suspended.

Old Business: Our new CPA, Bob Sorin, has made great progress in reviewing the 2005 finances and the theft losses we incurred. He is currently reviewing the year 2004 to determine if we also incurred theft losses for that time period. He has also reviewed our Federal tax status for those years and is preparing the necessary documents to resolve all outstanding IRS issues. Additional reports will follow as the work progresses.

New Business :

- **Possible Dues Increase:** The status of the Association budget was discussed. The proposal for a dues increase was presented to the membership for discussion and comments. Based on the response from the membership over the next several months, the Board will determine a course of action concerning this proposal prior to the summer break. Any increase would not take effect until 2009. Please let the Board know how you feel concerning this matter.
- **Cost Cutting Measures:** Barring significant opposition from the membership, the Board was in agreement that the newsletters and Roster should be distributed to the membership vial e-mail. This proposal was presented to the membership for discussion and comments. The Board will also make a final decision on this prior to summer break. Please let the Board know how you feel concerning this matter. In order to prepare for this possibility, please make sure your current e-mail address is on file at the CCPCA office if it is different from that which appears in the current Membership Roster.

Health and Welfare, Members Ill or in Distress:

- Retired Chief, Tony Appenzeller, was in Marymount Hospital for an aneurysm repair the week of March 3rd.

Good of the Order

- **PPE canisters** are still available if you need them. Contact Mark Vedder, Solon FD for additional information. If you received too many, call President Maine, who will arrange redistribution.
- **FBINA Northern Golf Outing:** Sgt Barry Hendricks is working on this for 2008.
- **Chief Schultz** inquired concerning the status of First Responder Kits. Chief Kocab will check and advise.
- **Chief Pukach** thanked the members of the Sheriffs Department concerning the recent drug arrests.
- **Dennis Burke , AAA,** advised that he had brought in current copies of the "Digest of Motor Vehicle Laws" for each department.

Next Regular Meeting will be held at 12 noon on Thursday March 20, 2008 at the Holiday Inn, Independence.

Adjournment *There being no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief Kostura. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1318 hours.*





2008 MEETING SCHEDULE

BOARD MEETINGS BEGIN AT 1030
REGULAR MEETINGS BEGIN AT 12 NOON

January 26	Landerhaven, Installation*
February 21	Holiday Inn, Independence
March 20	Holiday Inn, Independence
April 17	Bellefaire JCB*
May 15	Baldwin Wallace College*
June TBA	Golf--TBA*
July	No meeting
August	No Meeting
September 18	Tri C, Corporate College*
October 16	MetroHealth Hospital*
November 20	Holiday Inn, Independence
December 18	Holiday Inn, Independence

*Advance reservations are required for these meetings. Information concerning reservations will be distributed in advance of the scheduled meeting in the prior month's Chiefly Chatter and on the website.

Note: Dates and locations are subject to change dependent upon unforeseen circumstances. Adequate advance notice will be given concerning firm meeting dates and locations in the newsletter and on the website.

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