



CHIEFLY CHATTER

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CCPCA

Association News and Meeting Minutes

MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 16, 2006

TRI-C, CORPORATE

COLLEGE

The General Membership meeting of the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association was called to order at 1207 hours by President Guyton.

Roll Call Chief Clayton Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain Maine led the Invocation. Executive Director Bruckner called the roll of officers. Secretary Treasurer Lipton and Governor Kalavsky were excused. Members and guests introduced themselves. Chief Guyton Thanked Chief Harris and Tri-C for hosting today's meeting.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes *A motion to accept the minutes of the regular membership meeting of October 19, 2006, as distributed, was made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief Falzone. Motion Passed.*

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

Money Market	\$17,645.86
Checking	\$ 7,556.38
Scholarship CD	\$ 4,085.40
Total Current Balance	\$ 29,287.64

A Motion to accept the Financial Report was made by Chief Harris and seconded by Chief Dease. Motion Passed.

Executive Director's Report Bob Bruckner reported as follows:

- Dues Payment Status. The delinquent member list has been distributed to the Board and phone calls have been made to all delinquent members. Members still unpaid on December 31, 2006 will be dropped from the membership roll.
- Upcoming Training. (Flyers are posted on the website) Chief Dan Clark, John Carroll University Police Department advises that DNA courses for members of the criminal justice community are available on line. The program was developed by the Office of Justice Programs National Institute of Justice. The most recent addition is called "Principles of Forensic DNA for Officers of the Court". It's a 15-module tutorial targeted at prosecutors, defense attorneys and judges. There are two other courses specifically targeted to law enforcement officers (What Every Law Enforcement Officer Should Know About DNA Evidence, a basic and advanced module). These can be accessed at <http://dna.gov/training>.
- Communication from 1&1 Internet, Inc. Our website server apparently experienced a major file system problem on 10-18-06 which was not fully repaired until 10-23-06. Due to this prolonged downtime of our website, 1&1 Internet has credited 3 month's web hosting to our account.

Legal Update Steve Parisi reported

concerning the court admissibility of statements. In one case the court ruled that a woman's statement to a nurse about a sexual attack could be used as evidence against the accused even though the woman had since died and could not be cross-examined.

In the second case a DNA analyst who performed a technical check on another analysts work but did not have actual knowledge of the actual testing process was not entitled to testify about the report's conclusions. (State v. Crager, 164 Ohio App.3d 816, 2005-Ohio-6868.)

Speakers for Today's Meeting

Korean C. Stevenson, Director, Cuyahoga County Regional Planning Unit, presented information concerning reduced Federal funding to the County due to improper crime statistics reporting. Statistics reported through OIBRS and UCR are the only figures considered for grant funding. The County is requesting that we support mandatory participation in the OIBRS reporting program by all Cuyahoga County Police Departments in order to increase reported crimes and, as a result, increase Federal funding to the county. No action taken at this time.

Pat Wintucky, Foremost Safety Solutions, Inc. Ohio HB 422 requires that schools and day care facilities file blueprints with local law enforcement. They redraw blueprints using shapes and color codes to designate all areas for immediate identification. Corresponding signs & decals are placed throughout the building. All critical areas are identified accordingly. Digital format is provide to the Police Department for use in dispatch and MDT's. For additional information call 440-735-4911 or visit www.foremost-safety.com.

Anthony J. Macisco, Vice President/ Operations Manager, Corporate Protection Services, National City Bank, reported on two new employment opportunities with National City Bank. **Special Officer Program** National City Bank will hire local officers for security in banks that have been robbed, for 2 to 4 weeks after the robbery. They will be National City Bank temporary employees and will be paid the Department rate. He would like to establish a contact in each Department for this program. **Retired officers** 35 retired officers will be hired statewide to work proactive visibility security in banks in their area, 15 hours a week. \$ 15.00/Hr, benefits & health Insurance.

He also commented on the "Homes for Heroes" special mortgage options program available to police officers. For further information on any of these programs call

him at 216-222-7119

Committee Reports

Membership

The Board of Directors voted this morning to approve the application of **Chief Wayne H. Wozniak**, North Olmsted Police Department for Active Membership.

Health & Welfare Chaplain Maine explained the Chaplain Policy approved by the Board this morning.

"In an effort to provide some consistent and helpful guidance in determining the Association's response to issues surrounding members' deaths or illnesses, or those of their families, the Health & Welfare Committee has adopted the following policy:

Active/Retired Member or their spouse; Significant illness, injury, or incapacitation that requires hospitalization or lengthy convalescence at home, the sending of a fruit basket or planter in the \$35-40 range would be appropriate.

For funerals, or in remembrance if there is no service, the sending of a flower arrangement in the \$60 range, or a contribution in the same amount to a charity of the family's choosing, would be appropriate.

All other family members; The sending of a card is appropriate."

Old Business

- **MARCS Radio Distribution.** Chief Kocab has the paperwork to be completed prior to distribution. He is working with the Fire Chiefs organization to coordinate an instruction program with the distribution. He will provide additional information when all preparations are finalized.
- **Meeting With Coroner Balraj.** She stated that her investigators on scene would not interfere with the police investigation in any manner. They are there only to gather information to assist her in determining the manner and cause of death and to collect information for the autopsy.

New Business Nominations were opened for the position of Governor. No nominations made. Nominations of candidates will be accepted at the December meeting for election to the Board of Governors.

Health & Welfare- Members Ill or in Distress

- Chief Wright stated that Fr. Creagan was scheduled for open heart surgery on Friday, November 17th.
- Peter Gray was hospitalized recently to have his heart rhythm stabilized. The procedure was successful.

Good of the Order

- Dave Maine will be leaving Euclid PD and will be appointed Chief in Hunting Valley on January 5, 2007.
- Chief Paul Falzone, Bratenahl PD, confirmed that he is considering running for Cuyahoga County Sheriff in the next election.
- President Guyton indicated that he will be unable to attend the December meeting and wanted to thank the members of the organization for electing him to the positions he has held over the years on the Board of Governors and as President.

Next Regular Meeting will be held at Noon on December 21, 2006 at the Holiday Inn, Independence. No reservations are required. The Election of Association Officers for 2007 will be held at this meeting.

Adjournment *There being no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief LaGatta. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1439 hours.*

ASSOCIATION NEWS

- Former Executive Director, Tom Sample died from liver failure on November 30, 2006.
- Retired Chief Dominic Meuti is in University Hospital due to problems with his leg.
- Lt. Gregg A. Westover, Ohio State Highway Patrol retired on November 15, 2006.

2007 INSTALLATION DINNER

Will be held at Landerhaven on January 20, 2007.

Additional information concerning tickets will be available at the December Meeting. Please mark your calendars now.

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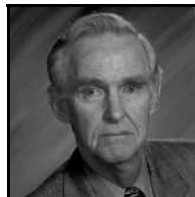
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Please remember to utilize our website to your advantage. In addition to the current newsletter it contains all archived prior newsletters, meeting notices, current years committees, Officers & Board Members, the complete Constitution and By-Laws and a Special Information and Notices section.



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