



CHIEFLY CHATTER

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Association News and Meeting Minutes

MEETING MINUTES

September 21, 2006

Bellefaire JCB, Shaker Heights, Ohio

The General Membership meeting of the Cuyahoga County Police Chiefs Association was called to order at 1213 hours by President Guyton.

Roll Call President Guyton led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain Maine led the Invocation. Secretary Treasurer Lipton called the roll of officers. Past President Dugan was excused. Members and guests introduced themselves.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes *A motion to accept the minutes of the regular membership meeting of June 18, 2006, as distributed, was made by Chief Maine and seconded by Chief LaGatta. Motion Passed.*

Financial Report Secretary Treasurer Lipton reported that our account balances are as follows:

Money Market	\$19,609.96
Checking	\$ 7,496.36
Scholarship CD	\$ 4,085.40
<u>Accts Receivable</u>	<u>\$ 3,475.00</u>
Total Current Balance	\$ 34,666.72

A Motion to accept the Financial Report was made by Chief Rowe and seconded by Chief Pitts. Motion Passed.

Executive Director's Report Bob

Bruckner reported as follows:

- The 2006 Roster is in the final stages of compilation. Hopefully it will be published on CD and mailed prior to the October meeting.
- Our CPA, Chuck Smercina, has had a heart attack but has assured us that all pending tax filings will be made on time.
- The October 19th meeting will be hosted by University Hospital again this year. Reservation details will appear in the newsletter.
- Chief Guyton has sent a letter to all members currently delinquent in this years dues. The last day to pay 2006 dues is Oct 31, 2006.
- Upcoming Training. (Both are posted on the Website.)

Regional Heavy Equipment Theft Seminar. Oct. 4 at the Cleveland Convention Center. Contact Capt. Mike Doyle, CPD 216-623-5000.

Immigration- Law Enforcement Issues & Responsibilities. Oct 4-5 in Columbus. Contact Renea Collins, OACP 614-761-0330.

- A reminder to utilize our website. In addition to the current newsletter, it contains the most current information on meetings, training, retirements and other time sensitive issues too late to appear in the newsletter. Much more permanent information is also posted.

Legal update Steve Parisi reported on the following:

- The Ohio Supreme Court has ruled that the Ohio Constitution offers more protection against self incrimination than the U.S. Constitution.
- A Federal Judge has ruled that an FBI raid and search of a Congressman's office was legal.
- A confession was barred when it was determined that the suspect in a rape, murder had repeatedly requested counsel prior to confessing.
- The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that evidence found by police officers who enter a home to execute a search warrant without first following the requirements to knock and announce can be used at trial despite the constitutional violation.
- The U.S. House and Senate recently passed bills that prevent law enforcement officers from confiscating legally owned guns during a national disaster or emergency.
- A quirk in Ohio's Public Records Law prevents criminal defendants and their attorneys from using public record laws to gather information that prosecutors did not turn over in discovery.
- Commented on the recent decisions of several area Police Departments to bill motorists for traffic crash investigations.
- Reminded members again concerning the criminal misuse of LEADS information in light of a recent Medina case.
- The Ohio Supreme Court ruled that records sought by a State Senator were public, but denied the request to order the Governor to produce them.

Speakers for Today's Meeting President Guyton thanked the Bellefaire staff for hosting today's meeting and introduced Melanie Falls, Director of Home and School Based Services for Bellefaire who introduced Dr. Adam Jacobs, CEO. Dr. Jacobs welcomed our members and gave a brief history of Bellefaire. Several other Bellefaire staff members and clients summarized the programs offered by Bellefaire in their presentations.

Committee Reports

Membership

- The Board of Directors voted this morning to approve the applications of:

Chief Daniel Teel, Parma Heights PD and

Chief Mark Schultz, Berea PD

- Applications for Associate Membership have been received from :

Chief Carl Meek, Director of Protective Services, University Hospital

Chief Christopher Noga, Twinsburg PD

Motion to approve both applicants as Associate members made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief Rowe. Motion passed.

OACP Committee Numerous topics, too numerous to detail, were again presented. Refer to OACP 3rd District Meeting for details.

Old Business Chief Jim Cook reminded members about the upcoming Mental Health Training for officers on November 8&9. See the website for details.

New Business

Correspondence

- President Guyton received a letter from County Coroner Balraj concerning her intention to send investigators to crime scenes. Her intention is not clear at this time. President Guyton will schedule a meeting with her and Board members to clarify her intentions. (NOTE: This meeting has been scheduled for 0900, October 24, 2006.)
- President Guyton received a non-committal response from State Representative Barbara Fende concerning our opposition to HB 456, court clerks funding from court costs.
- County Resolution CCESAB-06-08-16-A concerning the Countywide Emergency Interoperable Communications System. The issue was discussed by the Board and President Guyton will sign this resolution when he receives it.
- Letter from Korean C. Stevenson, Director, Regional Planning Unit-Cuyahoga County concerning participation in OIBRS reporting. President Guyton will invite her to speak concerning this issue at an upcoming meeting.

Other

- Peter Gray request for Life Member status was referred to the Constitution & By-Laws Committee.
- Chaplain Policy was referred to the Health & Welfare Committee.
- Les LaGatta informed members that the Social Security Fairness Act Offset/Windfall Repeal Bill will be coming up for vote soon. Contact your

legislators on this important issue.

- Bob Reid stated that the SEALE Narcotics Task Force will be awarded the Outstanding State Law Enforcement Project Award in November.

Health & Welfare– Members Ill or in Distress Chaplain Maine reported that a thank you note was received from the family of Retired Chief Bill Van Veghel. Cards and flowers were sent for the funerals of the mothers of Chief Clayton Harris and Retired Chief Harry Bernhardt. Retired Chief Wayne Baumgart’s wife had a heart attack and is now recovering at home.

Good of the Order

- Captain Roger Hannay, OSHP advises that A Commercial Enforcement Inspector has been assigned to Cuyahoga County and is available upon request. Contact him for additional information.
- FBI SAC Ted Wasky has been reassigned to Washington and will be leaving in mid October. We are sorry to see him leave, especially in light of his out-

standing support of local law enforcement.

- John Sommer, Executive Director of Northern Ohio HIDTA indicated that the new training calendar will be out next month.
- Lynn Hammond, Justice System Advocate, Cuyahoga County Witness/Victim Service Center introduced herself and reminded members of the services available. Contact her at 216-443-7327 for more information or assistance.

Next Regular Meeting will be held at Noon on October 19, 2006 at University Hospital. (See reservation details below)

Adjournment *There being no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Chief Dease and seconded by Chief Reid. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1337 hours.*

2006 MEETING SCHEDULE

Board Meetings begin at 1030 hrs.

Regular Meetings begin at 1200 Noon

- OCTOBER 19** **University Hospital ***
- NOVEMBER 16** **Tri-C Corp. College ***
- DECEMBER 21** **Holiday Inn**

*** Reservations required**

Note: Past Presidents of the Association are invited to attend all Board of Governors’ Meetings.

MEETING NOTICE

Thursday, October 19, 2006 at 12 Noon

University Hospital, Bolwell A





****Advance reservations are required****

There is a limit of 65 reservations

Reservation deadline is Oct 13, 2006

Call Jaime LaPonza at University Hospital Protective Services for reservations. 216-844-5344 ext. 28739 or e-mail at jaime.laponza@uhhs.com

This years cost again is \$ 20.00. Prepayments cannot be accepted. Pay at the door and bring your parking ticket for validation.

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