MINUTES

Members Present
Chief Mangold, Atlantis
Chief Alexander, Boca Raton
Chief Hartmann, Highland Beach
Chief Ward: Gulf Stream
Chief Matt Immler, Boynton Beach
Chief Weiner, Juno Beach
Chief Lowe, FAU Police
Chief Bush, West Palm Beach
Chief Kitzerow, Jupiter
Pete Garcia, TSA
Director Ludos, Greenacres
Chief Lincoln, Lantana
Major Ramil, FHP
Chief Walker, Manalapan
Chief Kniffin, Palm Beach Shores
Eddie Thompson, Customs & Immigration
William Stern, FBI
Stephen Barborini, ATF
Mike Driscoll, FDLE
David Stermen, FWC
Carol Owssiany, Fl Div of Alcohol & Tobacco
Mike Waites, SAO
Chief Stepp, Palm Beach Gardens
Chief Blouin, Palm Beach
Chief McCollom, Tequesta

Advisory Members Present
Feirmon Johnson, DJJ
Dr. Michael Bell, Medical Examiner

Guests
Wayne Pickering, US Marshal
Rick Facchine, PB Gardens
Jim Edwards, DCF
Fred Hess, Palm Beach
Jeff Lindskoog, PBSO
Lisa Rosenfeld, Health dept.
Nancy Dixon, Victims Services
Reginald Scurny, Jupiter
James Feeney, Jupiter
Nancy Grimes, PBSO
Mary Jones, Area Council on Aging
Mike Edmonson, SAO
Jane Wagley, Fl Resource Center
Preston Mighdoll, SAO
Patricia Vasquez, DCF
Michelle Spangenberg, Court Admin.
Marty Millar, Mayor South Palm Beach
Dr. Paul Bryan, Woodlake Psychological
Steven Wunderlich, ICE
Pat Kenny, PBSO
Steven DeRenzo, ICE
Barry Krischer, PBSO
Kathleen Kroll, Judge
Jim Stormes, PBSO
Mark Hall, Palm Springs
Michelle Miuccio, Boca Raton
Dan Torchia, US Marshal
Ed Brewer, School Police
Isandra Zayas, DCF
Lisa Jaloski, Epilepsy Foundation
Matt Baxter, Epilepsy Foundation
Dennis Crispo, WPB
Steve Booth, Greenacres
Tom Fitzpatrick, Secret Service
Luis Martinez, Statewide Prosecution
Louis Tomeo, Clerk & Comptroller
David Schaeffer, FWC
Oscar Artiles, DCF

CJC Staff
Wayne English
Katherine Hatos
Mike Rodriguez
Shahzia Hashmi
I. Chief Walker called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

II. Roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.

III. Guests introduced themselves

IV. The agenda was unanimously approved.

V. Minutes from the July 2, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved.

VI. Chairman’s Comments

A. The Chair congratulated Luis Ramil of FHP on his promotion to Major.

B. The Chair congratulated Miguel Guzman of FHP on his promotion to Chief.

C. The Chair announced that there would be a law enforcement only briefing by ICE at the conclusion of this meeting.

D. The Chair noted that there were CD’s by the door from the Health Department regarding Pandemic Flu.

VII. Presentations

A. Chief Walker presented Judge Kroll with a memento from LEPC in recognition of her many contributions to the criminal justice system while serving as Chief Judge.

B. Matt Baxter discussed epilepsy and the services the Epilepsy Foundation has available. About 2 out of 100 people have epilepsy. The main cause of epilepsy is head injuries.

C. Stephen Barborini from ATF gave an overview of the Florida Firearms Freedom Act. It is proposed legislation (HB 21). It states that any firearm manufactured in the state and that did not leave the state would not be regulated by ATF and federal law. Similar laws have passed in Montana and Tennessee. ATF has sent a letter to FFL license holders in Tennessee advising them that they must abide by federal law which supercedes state law in this case. The bill still must go through the legislative process.

D. Captain Lindskoog from PBSO and Mary Jones from the Area Agency on Aging discussed Elder Abuse Investigation Training which they have available. The training is 12 hours. There is also training available for prosecutors. Legislation has been passed requiring this type of training. The training is multi-discipline involving all parts of the criminal justice system. After more discussion it was suggested that a committee be formed to look at creating an elder abuse protocol similar to the Child Abuse Protocol. Mr. Krischer and Chief Walker volunteered to begin the project.
VIII. Updates/Discussion

A. Lisa Rosenfeld from the Health Department gave an update on the H1N1 Pandemic Flu. She reported that the CDC was no longer going to track the number of cases. At last count there were over 3900 cases in Florida. The age group effected most is the 5 to 24 year olds. A vaccine should be available in the October/November time range. Vaccine priorities are being finalized.

B. Isandra Zayas of DCF gave an update on the New Baker Act Legislation. It requires that a MOU be in place between the law enforcement agencies and the receiving facilities when dealing with a mentally ill person. The receiving agencies have met and provided their input to DCF. The LEPC has a committee that is ready to provide law enforcement’s input. Members brought up several concerns including the requirement to transport to the nearest hospital. This is not always in the patients or the agencies best interest. It was also noted that the only thing changed in the legislation was the MOU dealing with the actual drop off procedures. After more discussion the matter was referred to the existing Baker Act Legislation committee. A revised draft of the MOU was distributed.

IX. Committee Reports

A. Captain Kenny gave an update on the Traffic Committee. He discussed issues resulting in dismissed tickets including insufficient detail on reckless/careless driving tickets and not identifying the speed check device ex. “Laser #1234” on speeding tickets. He asked that members ask their officers to pay attention to these details. Court Room demeanor is also a concern in being too loud or inappropriately dressed.

X. Old Business

XI. New Business

XII. Liaison Reports

A. Major Stormes gave an update on HIDTA. There was an Executive Committee meeting. Palm Beach County will be receiving funding for new initiatives also be eligible for supplemental funding. Initiatives can be anything involving narcotics enforcement.

B. Chief Mangold gave an update on the MPSCC. The system is radio ready and testing has been completed. One district from WPB will be brought on. Radio programming at the other agencies is being completed. The system should be fully operational in the very near future.

C. Chief Kitzerow gave a LEX update. The meeting for today was cancelled due to the lengthy LEPC agenda. There are over 700 users on the system. Several success stories have been sent in regarding LEX. He asked that members continue to send them in. LEX did receive $80,000 in funding through the CJC to connect LEX to Probation and Parole.

D. Director Schroeder of the Criminal Justice Institute was out of town but furnished a written report that was included in the agenda package.

XIII. Member Comments
XIV. Adjournment

Note: There was a law enforcement only briefing by ICE following the meeting.