

PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAW ENFORCEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL

FINAL MINUTES

Thursday, November 10, 2011 – 9:30 a.m.

Clayton Hutchinson Agricultural Center
Exhibit Hall "B"
559 North Military Trail
West Palm Beach, Florida

Members Present

Chief Frank Kitzerow, Chairman
Chief Clarence Williams, III, Vice-Chairman
Director Michael Porath
Chief Craig Hartmann
Chief Brian Smith
Chief John Stewart
Chief Wes Smith
Chief Jeff Tyson
Chief Clay Walker
Chief Robert O'Neill
Chief Christopher Yannuzzi
Chief Stephen Stepp
Director Kirk Blouin
Chief Steve Kniffin
Chief Roger M. Crane
Chief Pete Pitocchelli
Assistant Chief Maria Santos-Olsen
Chief James Kelly
Major Luis Ramil
Michael Driscoll, Resident Agent in Charge
Mike Waites, Chief Investigator
Major Jeffrey Hubert
(Represented by David Schaeffer)
Major Carol Owsiany-Himmel
(Represented by Captain Priscilla Turner)
John McKenna, Assistant Special Agent in Charge
Edward (Eddie) Thompson, Resident Agent in Charge
Stephen Barborini, Resident Agent in Charge
Matthew Lynch, Resident Agent in Charge
John Modlin, Patrol Agent in Charge
(Represented by Supervisory Agent John Dair)

Members Absent

Chief Robert Mangold
Chief Matt Immler
Chief Anthony Strianese
Chief Garrett Ward
Chief Mark Hall
Sheriff Ric Bradshaw
Chief Charles Lowe
Lt. Anthony Stafford
Dana Morrison, Special Agent Supervisor
Steven Burdelski, Senior Supervisory Resident Agent
Glen Wilner, Assistant Chief

George Sanders, Supervisory Special Agent in Charge
Pete Garcia, Federal Security Director

Advisory Members Present

Director Larry Schroeder
Joni Livingston, FDLE
Rosalyn Baker, Circuit Administrator
Julie Hogan, Deputy Statewide Prosecutor

Advisory Members Absent

Dr. Michael Bell
Rolando Garcia, Deputy Chief
Hon. Michael McAuliffe, State Attorney
Feirmon Johnson, Chief Probation Officer

CJC Staff

Katherine Hatos
Brenda Oakes
Mike Rodriguez

- I. Welcome and opening comments by Chief Frank Kitzerow, Chairman
- II. Roll Call
- III. Introduction of Guests
- IV. Approval and/or additions to the agenda

The November 10, 2011 agenda was approved.
- V. Approval of the minutes

The October 6, 2011 minutes were approved.
- VI. Under Chairman's Comments, Chairman Kitzerow:

Welcomed Assistant Chief Mary Santos-Olsen and Assistant Chief Bryan Kummerlen from the West Palm Beach Police Department. He also wished former Chief Delsa Bush all the best.
- VII. Discussion
 - a. **Legislative priorities for 2012:** *Melissa McKinlay, PBC Legislative Delegation Aide*
Two handouts were provided (full copies are attached). Ms. McKinlay discussed three bills that they are monitoring concerning the Florida Retirement System. Information concerning the closure of the Glades Correction Institution (GCI) was also presented. They are still speaking with the Governor's Office to find an alternative for the facility. Highlights of the legislative priorities handout included that a top priority is funding for the

Regional Juvenile Detention Center/Juvenile Assessment Center, which is a number two category project priority for the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). Over \$1.5 million for repairs has been requested by DJJ over the next four years. Ms. McKinlay also covered the gun legislation issue. Palm Beach County has filed a lawsuit to regain local ability for limited gun regulation. Another priority is Good Samaritan legislation concerning 911 calls in which neither the caller nor the victim would be charged with possession. The law would not apply to any person who is wanted for serious charges or has an outstanding warrant. Ms. McKinlay also discussed expansion of the Civil Citation program. Chief Kelly expressed concerns about this issue. Palm Beach County Day is January 11, 2012. Ms. McKinlay also thanked LEPC for their support of the Sexual Assault Response Team.

- b. **G.R.E.A.T. Training for Afterschool Programs:** *Resident Agent Steve Barborini, ATF & Youth Violence Prevention Planning Coordinator Brenda Oakes*
Ms. Oakes provided an overview of the Law Enforcement Workgroup (LEWG), and presented information concerning the Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) opportunity approved by the workgroup. The training is being offered through the partnership with A.T.F. who will be sending a national G.R.E.A.T. trainer to Palm Beach County with a caveat of having at least 16 officers for training. Ms. Oakes advised that they will start teaching in the afterschool programs (elementary and middle schools), as well as municipal programs (Youth Empowerment Centers, Boys & Girls Club). She noted that the workgroup has looked at several curriculums since the YVPP began in 2004. Every year A.T.F. offers the same package of free training to officers that include workbooks and materials, and the requirement that officers teach one class per year to maintain certification.

Chief Kelly advised that the only curriculum that is and will be approved for daytime presentations is the Aggressors, Victims and Bystanders (A.V.B.) course. He mentioned that research indicates that G.R.E.A.T. improves the relationship with the officers, but it is a little short on long-term effects as far as prevention. He also provided information about the A.V.B. course that teaches more resiliency skills than the G.R.E.A.T. program, and offered to provide training if anyone is interested in teaching the daytime curriculum. They have also had pilots with both programs where A.V.B. is taught and G.R.E.A.T is provided after. He welcomed anyone working with young people.

RAC Barborini added that the G.R.E.A.T. training is taught nationwide by experienced police officers, and once the course is closed out that will be it for the year. Ms. Oakes advised that they are looking at the second or last week of January for the training. Chief Williams urged agencies to participate. He mentioned that the workgroup struggled with finding a program with

limited dollars that would have a countywide impact. He also noted that they do a good job during school hours, but after school hours need our attention. Ms. Oakes will send out a reminder e-mail for agencies to respond about sending officers to the training.

VIII. New Business

- a. Chief Clarence Williams was unanimously elected as LEPC Chairman. Chief Jim Kelly serves in the capacity of the Vice-Chairman by virtue of being the upcoming President of the Palm Beach Association of Chiefs of Police. The Vice-Chairman decision was also unanimous.
- b. Reentry Task Force Sex Offender Population Subcommittee Appointment: Ms. Hatos advised that the subcommittee will address housing and legislation issues with the first meeting will be held at 9:00 A.M. on December 15, 2011 at the McEaddy Conference Room, Government Center. (Chief Stewart volunteered under Member Comments.)

IX. Old Business

X. Committee Reports

- a. Book and Release Committee: Chief Crane discussed the Corrections Task Force tour of the West Detention Center that was held last week. He mentioned having a tour if the Chiefs are interested. Chief Crane will also be attending the One Year Anniversary for the Veteran's Court today.

Chairman Kitzerow expressed support for having a tour either coordinated through LEPC or the Chief's Association. He also asked that Chief Crane pass along congratulations to Judge Booras on behalf of the LEPC.
- b. Recruitment and Retention Committee: Chief Yannuzzi presented the quarterly report for July, August, and September. The next quarter should be interesting as it will reflect the first quarter of the fiscal year. 180 positions were lost last year. Chief Yannuzzi thanked everyone for their participation.
- c. Traffic Committee: No report was presented.
- d. Sexual Assault Response Team: Chief Hartmann advised that the committee is still meeting twice a month, and thanked agencies for sending representatives and for providing sample policies. The SART is working on a model policy to incorporate into department policies. The grand opening for the center will be held on December 1st with an official opening later in the month or after the 1st of the year.

XI. Liaison Updates

- a. Data Sharing: Chairman Kitzerow advised that they are continuing the evaluation of the future for LEX. They sent two representatives to the IACP Conference in Chicago to gather information for the evaluation. The ultimate goal is to start applying the analytical tools on a countywide basis with the outcome of being one of the first countywide groups in the country to have predictive policing on a countywide level.
- b. Child Abuse Protocol: Chief Strianese asked Colonel Stormes to report that he attended the last Specialist meeting, and he was a little disappointed by the attendance of the agencies. He asked that agencies that serve as specialists for the Child Abuse Protocol to please have their representatives attend meetings on a regular basis. Chairman Kitzerow asked that a e-mail be sent out to agencies with the date of the next Specialist meeting.
- c. Crime Prevention Officers Association: No report was presented.
- d. Criminal Justice Commission: Chief Kelly advised that the meeting mainly covered the legislative priorities.
- e. Criminal Justice Institute: Director Schroeder advised that the first Emergency Vehicles Operation course will be held on December 9th.
- f. High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area: Colonel Stormes attended the Executive Board meeting yesterday. A hot topic at the meeting was deconfliction. Colonel Stormes recommended that agencies with narcotics units or those working narcotics cases make sure their people deconflict. Colonel Stormes also mentioned that they are up to about \$470,000 that Palm Beach County has received in terms of HIDTA funding. This includes the recent approval of two currency dogs for Palm Beach County. The Sheriff's Office also has a currency dog in training. Once they have finished training, they will be available if anyone needs them in the county.
- g. High School Criminal Justice Academies: No report was presented.
- h. Communications/Interoperability: No report was presented.
- i. Juvenile Assessment Center: Chief Kelly advised that Audrey Wolf is working with DJJ. More information should be available for the next meeting.

XII. Training Announcements

- a. G.R.E.A.T. Training (Selection Criteria/ Afterschool Programs - *(on yellow paper)*)

XIII. Member Comments

- a. Chief Stepp mentioned that Palm Beach Gardens is going through their 5th CALEA reaccreditation process next week (Sunday – Wednesday). Information was provided about providing comments via call in or attending the public meeting. Chief Stepp expressed his appreciation for their support.
- b. Chief Stewart volunteered for the Reentry Task Force Sex Offender Population Subcommittee appointment.

XIV. Attachments

- a. Quarterly Staffing Report (*on blue paper*)
- b. Criminal Justice Institute Update (*on salmon paper*)

XV. Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 1, 2011