

SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION
ASSIST #14 ADVISORY BOARD
Bella Milano – O’Fallon, IL
Wednesday, May 24, 2023 – 11:30am

The meeting was called to order at 11:31 a.m. by Chairman Steve Evans.

Advisory Board Members Present:

Matt Blomberg	Mike Fillback	Steve Johnson
Kirk Brueggeman	Jarrett Ford	Chris Modrusic
Darren Carlton	Nick Gailius	Karl Pannier
Jeff Connor	Ben Godard	Dave Roth
Jason Donjon	Scott Golike	Mike Schutzenhofer
Matt Eiskant	Dave Hursey	Herbert Simmons
Steve Evans	Chris Joellenbeck	Dan Travous
Casey Faro		

Advisory Board Members Absent:

Steven Brown	Chris Locke	Neal Rohlfing
Bob Coles	David Meyer	Ross Schultze
Eric Danford	Stefan Neece	Brian Vielweber
Mike Dixon	Mike Nordstrom	Scott Waldrup
Brian Fletcher	Jarrod Peters	Richard Watson
Jim Leitschuh	Paul Petty	Brad Wells
Todd Link	Jeff Prosis	Richard Wittenauer

Staff present were:

Kevin Schmoll	Sharon Bockewitz	Amy Eggemeyer
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The Pledge of Allegiance was given, and Pastor Ben Godard gave the invocation.

Introduction of Guests

1. Eric Van Hook, New Member
2. Chief Charles Mackin, New Baden Police Department
3. Lieutenant Steven Strubberg, St. Clair County Sheriff’s Department
4. Brian Whitaker, St. Clair County 911

Quorum

A quorum was declared by Chairman Evans.

Item No. 6 on the Agenda –Minutes of March 29, 2023

Chairman Evans stated that the minutes were e-mailed out on May 3, 2023.

Motion was made by Sheriff Connor and seconded by Chief Brueggeman that the minutes of Mar. 29, 2023 be approved. Motion unanimously carried with no dissenting votes.

Item No. 7 on the Agenda – Correspondence

Assistant Director Schmoll stated the following Correspondence is in your packet.

- A. FY’23 – Statement of Partnership Agencies

- B. List of FY '24 Partnership Approved Courses
- C. Letter to Horace Humphries – Congrats and Goodbye
- D. Invite Letter to Eric Van Hook to serve as Citizen on the Assist #14 Advisory Board
- E. Chief Robert Carpenter letter of resignation as Chief of Police and resigning his position as a member of the Assist #14 Advisory Board due to his retirement

No. 8 on the Agenda – ASSIST #14 Budget Expenditures

Chairman Evans stated that the expenditures for Mar./Apr. 2023 were e-mailed out in your packet on May 3, 2023.

Motion was made by Chief Roth and seconded by Chief Schutzenhofer that the expenditure sheets for Mar./Apr. 2023 be approved. Motion unanimously carried with no dissenting votes.

Item No. 9 on the Agenda – Police Training Board Issues

Assistant Director Schmoll reminded members that the web portal for ILETSB Officer training is up and running and there is a link to the portal on SILEC's website. He encouraged departments to use the portal to keep track of their officers' training requirements.

The new training board meeting is scheduled for June 7-8, 2023 in Chicago, IL. Director Williams, Assistant Director Schmoll, and Field Training Monitor Muschler will be in attendance.

Item No. 10 on the Agenda – Update on Part-Time Training Academy

Assistant Director Schmoll stated that Van Muschler is overseeing the Part-Time Police Academy. SWIC is running the Academy and is currently taking registrations for the upcoming class. The current Part-Time Training Academy class is scheduled to graduate in July. The next Part-Time Police Training Academy will start August 26, 2023. Handouts with information regarding the upcoming Academy were provided at the meeting.

Item No. 11 on the Agenda – Membership Committee Report

Assistant Director Schmoll stated that we have new member Eric Van Hook to approve. Eric will replace Horace Humphries as Citizen, his term will be through June 2026.

Motion was made by Chief Brueggeman and seconded by Chief Joellenbeck to approve new member Eric Van Hook. Motion carried with no dissenting votes.

Assistant Director Schmoll gave an update on the Statement of Partnership Fees.

- FY'23 - We have collected - \$115,700 and 7 of the 83 agencies have not paid.
- FY'24 – Partnership Fee Invoices were e-mailed out on May 3, 2023. Thank you to those Departments who have already sent in payment. If your Department has not yet paid please do so.

Assistant Director Schmoll stated we have received a letter of resignation as Chief of Police from Chief Robert Carpenter, Maryville Police Department, on his retirement. He also resigned from his position on the Assist #14 Advisory Board.

Item No. 12 on the Agenda – Partnership Training Committee Report

Assistant Director Schmoll stated that the FY'24 Partnership meeting was held on May 11, 2023. The main focus of our training efforts moving into 2024 will be Scenario Based Training/In-House Training. Assistant Director Schmoll stated that every officer in the state of Illinois are now required to complete Scenario Based Training. He has submitted a request to ILETSB for funding to purchase 2 Smart Solutions Virtual Reality

Systems. This will assist departments in obtaining their mandated scenario based training. Thanks to the efforts of our past directors we are well funded to be able to provide this training and our current staff is committed to continue this legacy.

Item No. 13 on the Agenda – Staff Activity Update

Assistant Director Schmoll went over the following staff activity:

- Introduction of Amy Eggemeyer, who came on part-time in April and started full time on May 15th. She will be replacing Sharon Bockewitz, who will be retiring at the end of June.
- ILETSB announced there was funding available for equipment purchases. Assistant Director Schmoll submitted a request for funding for the purchase of 2 Smart Solutions VR Systems. The cost for the 2 systems with accessories is \$155,000 and will be used for the scenario based training. Assistant Director Schmoll stated that Belleville PD and Chicago PD currently have the Smart Solutions systems. The goal is to bring the VR systems to the departments for on-site training.

Item No. 14 on the Agenda – Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to report.

Item No. 15 on the Agenda – New Business

There was no new business to report.

Item No. 16 on the Agenda – Good of the Order

Executive Director Simmons announced Southern Illinois Championship Wrestling, in partnership with SIPCA, is hosting a Wrestling Fundraiser for wounded Dupo Police Sgt. Pat Carrier, who was shot in the line of duty. The event is on Saturday, June 3rd and proceeds will go towards Sgt. Carrier’s medical and other expenses to assist his family. Flyers were handed out regarding the event.

Item No. 17 on the Agenda – Adjournment

Motion was made by Mayor Carlton and seconded by Chief Golike to adjourn. Having completed all items on the agenda the meeting was adjourned at 11:43 p.m. followed by lunch.

Respectfully submitted,



By: Amy Eggemeyer,
Recording Secretary



****** Next Meeting******
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023
Bella Milano Rest. – O’Fallon, IL
11:30am
REMEMBER TO RSVP TO: misty@silec.org