Sheriff's Citizens Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2019

Attendees:
Nowels, John (SCSO)  King, Verne  Davisson, Mike  West, Bob
Parker, Chuck  Johnson, Skip  Marlett, Larry  Winn, Kenneth L.
Self, Sean  Standow, Brian  Jackson, Chris  Mackenzie, Tom
O’Neill, Leigh

Guests:
Russ Andres  Andrew McGee (sp?)

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm.

Minutes were approved for the March 11th meeting.

A potential new member, Andrew McGee, introduced himself to the group. He left his application with John. John will give the application to Julie for distribution to the group for membership consideration.

New Business –
The CAB May meeting will be a tour of the forensics facility. Monday, May 13th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm, Location will be emailed to all members prior to meeting.

Old Business -
Disciplinary Actions for CAB Review:
  • Deputy Chad Gordon driving ~90mph and totaled patrol car while off duty.
    Details/Facts:
      o At time of incident ~1 year of service
      o Accident was on April 1st
      o He was off duty
      o Totaled car, ~$8K
      o 90-mph in a 40-mph zone
      o Deputy admitted to not wearing his seatbelt.
      o Deputy received a minor concussion
      o Deputy was fired initially by the Sheriff, but after discussions with the Union he was reinstated with the following disciplinary actions:
        o 35-day suspension without pay
        o Pay for patrol car (4 installments, over 4 years)
        o Can have no further disciplinary action for four years.
Questions for the Sheriff from the CAB, please respond by June (6/10) meeting:

- Why was Deputy Gordon not cited for not wearing his seatbelt?
- Why was Deputy Gordon not cited for reckless driving?
- Why was Deputy Gordon not cited for speeding?
- What did the union argue for getting Deputy Gordons job reinstated?
- Why wasn’t his lying (speed, reason for speeding, seatbelt, route taken to destination) taken into account for disciplinary action?
- Should blood/alcohol/drug test be demanded in the event of these types of accidents/incidents?
- Is there a scale or matrix of disciplinary action (I believe John has one and will forward to me to send to the group).
- How does this disciplinary action measure up to others like it in the past?
- Do the weapons in the car(s) have to be tested after an accident before they can be used again?

Meeting adjourned 7:05pm.

**Next Meeting:**
May 13, 2019
5:30pm – 8:30pm
Location: TBA

Minutes Submitted by
Leigh O’Neill, Secretary