

Commission to Improve First Responder Interactions with Persons with Disabilities:

Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2022 at 1:00 P.M.

I. Call to order

Commission Chair Chris Smith called to order the regular meeting of the Commission to Improve First Responder Interactions with Persons with Disabilities at 1:02 p.m. on June 13th, 2022 held virtually on Zoom.

II. Roll call

The Chair conducted roll call. The following persons were present:

- Shannon Lofland
- Janet Larson
- Chris Smith
- Dr. Erika Liljedahl
- Lorie Williams
- Jessica Shouse
- Jill Pidcock
- Chris Gulli
- Terrence Gordon
- Courtney Schwartz

III. Approval of minutes from April 21, 2022

Minutes were unanimously approved. Dr. Erika Liljedahl motioned for approval and Lorie Williams seconded.

IV. Public Comment

No members of the public were present for the meeting.

V. Toolkit Review

- The Commission looked at each toolkit submitted thus far.
 - Discussion was raised about specific words used in some of the toolkits and lesson plan. Authors of those toolkits accepted feedback and agreed to send revisions.
- The Commission approved POST staff to make minor grammatical and punctuation changes.
- The term lesson plan was discussed. The commission agreed the term lesson plan should be used consistently throughout Basic Academy Curriculum and In-Service training. The “lesson plans” included in the toolkits do not meet the standard set by the POST Board in relation to Basic Academies. It was agreed to use “course content starter” instead of “lesson plan” in the toolkits.
- Revisions will be sent to POST staff by June 17th COB. POST staff will proof and edit minor errors if needed and then send to Chris Smith and Janet Larson for a 2nd reading.

VI. How to Receive Feedback

- The Commission focused on how to encourage law enforcement agencies to use best practice when developing curriculum. This topic was tabled until next meeting

VII. Scenario Based Training

- Chair Smith discussed his experience developing curriculum using role players, the impact it has on the agency, the training staff, the role players, etc.

VIII. Survey

- The Commission would like to survey the instructors who teach in-service and basic academy – the details of this will be worked out at the next meeting.

IX. Future of the Commission

- Add resources to the toolkits consistently when found and vetted.
- Develop surveys for instructors – each Commission member will start developing the “what” and the “how” for surveys
- Assess feedback from instructors
- Refine the “course content starter” as needed
- Offer training to instructors to model the lessons as the Commission would like to see them.

VIII. Adjournment

Chris Smith adjourned the meeting at 3:04 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Courtney Schwartz