

***Commission to Improve First Responder Interactions with
Persons with Disabilities:
Meeting Minutes***

December 8, 2021

I. Call to order at 1:04 p.m.

Chair Chris Smith called to order the regular meeting of the Commission to Improve First Responder Interactions with Persons with Disabilities at 1:04 p.m. on December 8, 2021 held virtually on Zoom.

II. Roll call

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

- Jill Pidcock
- Debra Antista-Bianchi
- Terrence Gordon
- Christopher Gulli
- Janet Larson
- Erika Liljedahl
- Shannon Lofland
- Jennifer Roberts
- Chris Smith
- Josh Snider
- Catherine Rodriguez
- Steve Eckelberry

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

A discussion occurred regarding the detail of minutes. Decided current format and detail of minutes is sufficient based on COMA, comparison to other committees, and the fact that closed captioning transcription and audio recording is available. Minutes were approved unanimously.

IV. Public Comment

- Mark Simon – appreciates transparency and the Commission looking at community resources.
- 3 other public attendees but no comments.

V. POST Curriculum Presentation:

- A. Commissioner Lofland presented three documents. One was a guide, one highlighted the current requirements and one suggested where curriculum could be added.
- B. Questions from members about other feedback that was submitted, if and how it will be utilized in the process.

VI. Next Steps

- A. Subcommittees for Basic and In-service both to occur on same day at same time (Wednesday 1pm-3pm) for next two weeks(12/15/21 and 12/22/21) to come back with recommendations to larger group on 01/05/22. Officially voted on (first by Debra and second by Josh with unanimous vote.)
- B. Concern expressed re: effectively including disability voice in curriculum. Survey will be done with community partners to assess issues and training resources.
- C. Is focus too broad? Can continue discussions with POST after 2/2022 deadline. Need curriculum objectives for a foundation. Then add what is missing and get community input and then present a recommendation.
- D. At last meeting did discuss having Bill sponsor come speak to the commission and still want that to help direct work and tasks.
- E. Commission consensus that want to see everyone's feedback provided to POST so staff will put in folder on file share for members to review.
- F. Subcommittees:

Basic

Janet – Chair
Jennifer
Daniel
Josh
Terrence
Chris G.

In-Service

Shannon - Chair
Jill
Debra
Chris S.
Erika
Atalanta

VII. Survey

- A. Discussion about survey language to be inclusive of people with disabilities and learn about training needs.
- B. Discussed information to accompany survey.

VIII. Agenda Setting

- A. Each subcommittee chair will send agendas to POST.

VIII. Adjournment

Chris Smith adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Cathy Rodriguez