

PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

A meeting of the Public Safety Coordinating Council was held at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 via Zoom virtual meeting platform

	Presiding Judge Wells Ashby (Chair)	х	Nick Lelack, County Administrator (Vice Chair)
X	Stephen Gunnels, District Attorney		Kent van der Kamp, <i>Deschutes County</i> Sheriff
Х	Mike Krantz, Bend Police Chief		Donna Mills, Citizen Member
X	Devin Lewis, Redmond Police Chief		Keith Witcosky, Redmond City Manager
	Cody Darling, <i>Interim Sunriver Police</i> Chief		Thomas Spear, Defense Attorney
	Sara Crosswhite, <i>Director 9-1-1</i> Operations	Х	Deevy Holcomb, <i>Director Community Justice</i>
	Phil Chang, County Commissioner		Janice Garceau, Director Health Services
	TBD, Court Administrator	X	Gil Levy, Citizen Member and Director KIDS Center
	Mike Riley, Bend City Councilor		
	Joseph Mabonga (non-voting), Juvenile P&P Supervisor Oregon Youth Authority		Brandon Smithers (non-voting), Lieutenant Oregon State Police
	Todd Rich (Interested Party), Black Butte Ranch Police Chief		Roger Olsen (Interested Party), NAMI Central Oregon

Also present were: Erik Kropp, Deputy County Administrator; Angie Powers, Administrative Assistant BOCC; Dominic Passarelli, Administrative Supervisor District Attorney's Office; Holly Harris, Director Behavioral Health; Stephen Webster, Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST); Nicole Borchert, Director Mary's Place; and Taryn Ramos, Program Services Director Saving Grace.

Media present: Richard Coe, The Bulletin.

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Vice Chair Lelack called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m.

2. Approval of LPSCC February Meeting Minutes

Due to the lack of a quorum, this item was tabled.

- **2. Public Comment** None presented
- 3. **Deschutes County Deflection** Neil Marchington

Neil Marchington was not in attendance, so this item was tabled.

4. Statistical Transparency of Policing (STOP) Program – Stephen Webster, Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST)

Stephen Webster said that the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) puts out an annual report by December 1st of each year. Under the Statistical Transparency of Policing Bill (HB 2355 from 2017), if an agency is referred to DPSST for technical assistance or training, it must be documented in a report. In the latest report, the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office was identified in two of three analyses, the decision to stop (a vehicle or a pedestrian) and the stop outcomes (whether a citation was issued, or arrest was made).

The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) identified that they are undergoing a transition within their e-site program and their CAD system. The two subject analyses in the report examine disparities based on daylight. These technology transitions may explain why at least 40% of the stop entries do not have specific violations entered. DPSST referred DCSO to online training opportunities.

Responding to Holcomb, Webster said that DPSST is looking for certain disparities related to time of day. The "veil of darkness" concept is that if any discrimination or profiling is occurring then it is likely due to the officer being able to see the pedestrian or motorist before stopping them. If daylight is present, then theoretically the officer can see the individual. If there is a disparity, then a department must dive deeper into the "why". Webster noted there may be transient populations at certain times of the year as well.

5. Agency Updates and Other Business - There were no other agency updates.

ADJOURNMENT: Vice Chair Lelack adjourned the meeting at 3:48 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Angie Jowers Angie Powers, BOCC Administrative Assistant