

**MINNESOTA BOARD OF
PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING**

**Advisory Committee on POST Board Rules Overhaul Meeting
Minutes
Electronic Meeting via Microsoft Teams
January 25, 2022**

Members Present

Michelle Gross
Elisabeth Lee
Bryan Litsey
Tracy Stille
Gwen Degroff-Gunter
David Bicking
Pat Nelson
Steven Soyka
Theresa Paulson
Jack Serier
Elliot Butay
Raj Sethuraju
Craig Enevoldsen
Jean Cemensky
Sherisse Truesdale-Moore
Mark Fahning
Sara Edel

Members Absent

Vincent Do
Aaron Suomala-Fokerds
Bill Bolt

Staff Present

Mike Meehan
Rebecca Gaspard

Others Present*

*Invitation to listen to the live meeting was listed on the website.

Note: Due to ongoing COVID-related restrictions for state meetings and CDC guidelines, this meeting was held online. A link to observe the meeting was posted on the POST website.

Gaspard began the meeting at 1:03 pm.

Approval of the Agenda: The committee accepted the agenda as proposed.

Approval of January 4, 2022 Meeting Minutes: The committee accepted the minutes as drafted.

Minnesota Specific Training Subcommittee: Nelson reported the subcommittee has a scheduled meeting and will have a recommendation at the next meeting.

Updates: Gaspard asked that committee members draft bios to be used in the advisory committee's report to the board.

Prioritized Draft V9:

6700.0100 Subp. X Discriminatory conduct: Consensus approval reached.

6700.0100 Subp. X and X: definitions of extremist and hate tabled.

6700.0601 Examination Standards. This section was reviewed because current language conflicts with drafted language in minimum selection standards. In Subp. 1, the phrase “..or to deny or revoke eligibility for a license” removed. Item G deleted. Subpart 2 deleted. Consensus approval reached.

6700.0670 Background Investigations.

Consensus approval was reached on background investigations.

6700.0675 Psychological Screening. Consensus approval reached .

6700.0700 Minimum Selection Standards:

The sentence “Nothing in this part precludes the agency from applying a more stringent standard for selection” was added to Subp. 1.

Committee again discussed licensure requirements for having training in providing medical aid (EMR/EMT/Tactical Combat Casualty Care/First Aid & CPR). Several committee members stated EMR training or certification was an expectation of the public as officers were expected to render aid and were often first on scene where someone needs stabilization. Some members specifically stated current certification should be required. The committee reached consensus again that the requirement should be that the applicant has EMR or the military equivalent training or obtains it within 6 months of hire.

Consensus approval was reached on all but:

- Minimum age of 18 was raised, and discussion tabled until the committee reviews the final draft for consensus
- Citizenship, “eligible to work in the US” versus “permanent resident status”. No consensus was reached on this issue.
- Applying the selections standards to currently licensed officers applying for additional part-time work at another agency. Definitions of “temporary supplemental” and “seasonal” may help determine whether background investigations and psychological screening requirements are applied when the secondary position is not temporary, seasonal, and is intended by the officer and by the second agency to be permanent.

6700.0701 Notice of Conviction: This section is deleted because the requirements are included in background investigations. Consensus approval reached.

6700.1400 Inactive Status of Peace Officer Licenses. Subp.3 Selection Standards. This section is deleted because it conflicts with approved language in minimum selection standards.

6700. 1500 and 1600 Standards of Conduct: Sections 6700.1500 and 6700.1600 are combined. Item A (5) was changed from “obstruction of justice” to “obstructing legal process” with Paulson and Nelson supplying the correct citations. Fleeing on foot was added as a standard.

6700.1610 Reporting Obligations: Consensus approval was reached on minor editing changes and changing the reporting time on conduct violations from 90 days to 10 days.

6700.1700 Complaint Committee: This section contained a definition, an obsolete requirement related to the committee membership in conflict with current statute. Consensus approval reached to repeal the section. The committee requested that the statutory references to complaint information be sent to the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40.