

Applicant Review Committee Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2024

The Applicant Review Committee of the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training held a regular meeting on August 28, 2024, at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem, Oregon. Chair, Erin Reyes called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Committee Members:

Erin Reyes, Chair, Superintendent, Department of Corrections (Teams)
Alex Gardner, OSP Command Staff Representative; Police Policy Committee
Chelsea LaBar, APCO; Telecommunications Policy Committee (Teams)
Ted Langley, Oregon Sheriff's Jail Command Council (Teams)

Committee Members Absent:

DeNeshia Barrett, Vice Chair, Non-Management Law Enforcement; Police Policy Committee
Raeann Thurber, Telecommunicator, Telecommunications Policy Committee
Vacant, Public Member

Guests:

Tyler Schneider

DPSST Staff:

Kathy McAlpine, Professional Standards Division Director
Kathy Fink, Standards and Certification Program Manager
Cindy Park, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator
Melissa Lang Bacho, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator
Erica Riddell, Criminal Justice Support Specialist
Juan Lopez-Hernandez, Executive Support Specialist
Jennifer Howald, Administrative Rules Coordinator
Shelby Wright, Executive Assistant



1. Introductions

Introductions of members, guests and staff.

2. Approve July 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes

A consensus was reached to approve the July 24, 2024 meeting minutes as written.

3. Schneider, Tyler (65494) Application Review: Police

Presented by Cindy Park, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

Reason for Discretionary Review

The DPSST received an Application for Training (F5) and a Criminal History Reporting Form (F28) for Tyler Schneider, in which he disclosed a 2017 criminal disposition. Schneider was initially charged with the offense of Driving While Intoxicated but was convicted of an amended charge of Reckless Driving, a gross misdemeanor in the state of Washington.

Tyler Schneider provided verbal mitigation for committee consideration.

<i>Applicant Review Committee Discussion/Consensus/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
A consensus was reached to adopt the record.			
<p>The Applicant Review Committee found the following moral fitness violations and factors:</p> <p><i>Moral Fitness Violations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dishonesty: The committee did not identify elements of dishonesty. • Gross Misconduct: Schneider’s choice to drink alcohol and drive, on a road (interstate) open to the public, while admittedly having to manipulate his right leg with his hand to engage the accelerator pedal, was reckless conduct that could have caused significant harm to persons and property. <p><i>Aggravating Factors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schneider should not have been driving in the first place. • Schneider’s BAC was 0.15% and 0.16%, twice the legal limit. <p><i>Mitigating Factors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schneider did not lie about the incident. • Schneider was young when the incident occurred. • Schneider was not in law enforcement at the time of the offense. • Schneider has been contrite since the incident. • Schneider was cooperative with the field investigation. 			
A consensus was reached to confirm the identified aggravating and mitigating factors.			
Alex Gardner moved, that the committee affirm the moral fitness violations and categories as presented in the staff memo.	Chelsea LaBar	4 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Alex Gardner moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board’s pre-employment moral fitness standards and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that no action should be taken against Schneider’s application for training and subsequent certification.	Ted Langley	4 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

4. Inquiry Closure – Information Only

Presented by Cindy Park, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

DPSST presented the list of applicants for public safety training/certification who had engaged in pre-employment criminal conduct that was determined to not require committee review. This information was presented as information only and required no action by the committee.

5. Next Applicant Review Committee Meeting: September 25, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

Administrative Notes:

These minutes reflect the order of the discussion/voting items as they appear on the official meeting agenda. The actual order in which they were discussed may vary.

All documents reviewed and discussed in this meeting are subject to Oregon Public Records Law (ORS 192.410 to ORS 192.505). These documents can be requested by contacting DPSST at dpsst.records@dpsst.oregon.gov.