

# Corrections Policy Committee Minutes

## February 9, 2021

The Corrections Policy Committee of the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training held a regular meeting on February 9, 2021, at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem, Oregon. Chair, Nadine Purington called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

### **Committee Members:**

Nadine Purington, Chair, Non-Management Parole & Probation  
Lee Eby, Oregon Sheriff's Jail Command Council (Webex)  
Matthew English, Oregon State Sheriff's Association (Webex)  
Jaime Hepner, Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors (Webex)  
Kevin Marshall, Public Member (Webex)  
Greg Martin, AOCE Representative, DOC  
Gary Ninman, Professional Development Unit, DOC (Webex)  
Rob Perrson, DOC Superintendent  
Michael Yoder, Department of Corrections Designee  
Brian Pixley, Oregon State Sheriff's Association (Webex)  
James Ristoff, Non-Management Corrections Officer (Webex)  
James Russell, Oregon Sheriff's Jail Command Council (Webex)  
Cody Smith, Non-Management Corrections Officer (Webex at 10:28 am)  
Taj Shivvers, Non-Management DOC (Webex)

### **Committee Members Absent:**

None

### **Guests:**

Desteni Felton (Webex)

### **DPSST Staff:**

Linsay Hale, Professional Standards/Interim Training Division Director  
Marsha Morin, Criminal Justice Certification Program Manager  
Wendy Nunez, Criminal Justice Office Specialist  
Melissa Lang, Professional Standards Case Manager  
Chris Enquist, Parole & Probation Training Program Coordinator  
Jennifer Howald, Administrative Rules Coordinator

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### **1. Introductions**

Introductions of members, guest and staff were presented.

2. **Approve November 10, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

*Greg Martin moved to approve the minutes from the 11/10/2020, Corrections Policy Committee meeting. Rob Persson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

3. **Approval of Proposed Parole & Probation Field Training Manual**

Presented by Chris Enquist

In the fall of 2019, a constituent workgroup met and developed the concept for a new FTM for Parole & Probation Officers. The workgroup's recommended concepts placed emphasis on revising the FTM to meet two goals; provide a FTM that supported those agencies utilizing a formal field training model while simultaneously building a FTM which gave structure for agencies utilizing an informal model of training. To accomplish these goals, the workgroup revised the modules contained within the FTM, refocused the training topics within these modules, and created a scaled system for differentiating the learning required of a trainee in each training topic.

Additionally, the workgroup recommended the creation of a standalone guidebook for training officers. This guidebook serves as a reference document for training officers in the completion of the FTM, as well as material to aid in the delivery of training.

DPSST staff utilized these recommended concepts to draft a new FTM and guidebook. It was submitted back to the workgroup for review. The workgroup approved this concept and a copy of the draft FTM was provided to the Oregon Community Corrections Directors Association for comment. The responses received have been positive.

This revised FTM will better serve the future trainees, trainers, the field of community corrections, and the people of the State of Oregon.

*Jamie Hepner moved to recommend approval for implementation of the proposed Parole & Probation Field Training Manual. Nadine Purington seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

4. **Proposed Rule Changes for OAR 259-008-0085: Supporting Rule Change for Adoption of the 2021 Parole and Probation Officer Field Training Manual**

Presented by Jennifer Howald

OAR 259-008-0085 maintains the minimum standards for Board-approved mandated courses, including the field training manuals. This proposed rule change prepares for the Board's review and approval of the new Parole and Probation Officer Field Training Manual (FTM). Once approved by the Board, the rule change will codify the 2021 version of the FTM as the current standard.

*Matt English moved to recommend the Board approve filing the proposed rule changes for OAR 259-008-0085 as a permanent rule. Jamie Hepner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

5. **Administrative Closures – Corrections / Parole & Probation**

Presented by Linsay Hale

*Lee Eby recused himself due to conflict of interest.*

Staff presented the following professional standards cases to the Corrections Policy Committee for administrative closure.

	Name	DPSST#	Certification(s)	Reason for Closure
a)	Patricia Blum	39953	Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Parole and Probation Certifications and Basic Corrections Certification	Blum was discharged from the Baker County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) after being involved in a single vehicle accident and was later charged with <i>Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII) – Controlled Substance</i> . Blum, through her attorney, provided evidence, which argued that the amount of the controlled substance in Blum's system was not a factor in her accident. DPSST does not believe there is a preponderance of the evidence to show the individual's separation violated the Board's moral fitness standards defined in Oregon Administrative Rule
b)	Shannon Hall	55355	Basic Correction Certification	Hall was arrested on 12/4/2020 for <i>Disorderly Conduct in the Second Degree</i> . Hall's arrest did not result in a criminal disposition of a criminal offense that requires Board review.
c)	Richard Sneath	48654	Basic, Intermediate, and Advanced Corrections Certification	Sneath was discharged from the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) for violating agency policies related to inmate monitoring which, according to CCSO, resulted in an inmate's suicide. An Arbitration Award and Opinion was issued acknowledging that Sneath's actions may have attributed to a failure in preventing an inmate's suicide by not properly conducting a tier check in accordance with CCSO policy, but ruled ultimately that termination was too harsh a penalty. Subsequently Sneath's employment with CCSO was reinstated. There appears to be

				no malice or bad intent in Sneath's actions, nor was he dishonest in his reported completion of a tier check on the date of this incident. The result of this incident was unfortunate, but would be indicative of competence and performance only, not a violation of the Board's moral fitness standards.
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*Greg Martin moved to approve the recommendations made by staff to administratively close the above listed cases. Brian Pixley seconded the motion. The motion passed with one recusal (Eby).*

**6. Felton, Desteni (45595) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Linsay Hale

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On 3/21/19, Desteni Felton was terminated from the Baker County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) for off-duty harassment and assault on another individual. Though Felton was not charged with any crimes, she admitted to confronting another female, pulling her hair, slapping her, and yelling at her.

*Desteni Felton provided verbal mitigation for committee consideration.*

<i>Policy Committee Discussion/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
Cody Smith moved that the Corrections Policy Committee adopt the staff report.	Matthew English	14 ayes; 0 nays;	Motion Passed Unanimously
<p>The committee discussed the moral fitness violation and identified the following aggravating and mitigating factors specific to this case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aggravating <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Felton pre-meditated the assault;</li> <li>○ Felton was employed with the BCSO at the time of the incident;</li> <li>○ During her employment, Felton received domestic violence training; and</li> <li>○ Felton did not exercise restraint when she assaulted another person.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mitigating <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Felton self-reported the behavior to law enforcement;</li> <li>○ There were no criminal charges filed stemming from the incident;</li> <li>○ Felton was under emotional stress at the time of the incident; and</li> <li>○ During Felton's verbal mitigation she took responsibility for her actions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Taj Shivers moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness	Cody Smith	3 ayes (Martin,	Motion Failed

standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case that no Board action should be taken against Felton's certifications.		Smith, Shivvers); 11 nays	
Brian Pixley moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case that Board action should be taken against Felton's certifications	Jamie Russell	10 ayes; 4 nays; (Martin, Smith, Shivvers, Yoder)	Motion Passed
Greg Martin moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Felton be ineligible to hold public safety certification for 3 years.	Michael Yoder	10 ayes; 4 nays; (Pixley, Hepner, Russell, Eby)	Motion Passed

**7. Davis, Brian (25612) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Linsay Hale

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

In March 2019, DPSST received an automated notice from LEDS that Brian Davis was arrested for *Driving While Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII)*. Mr. Davis holds certification as a corrections officer, but is not currently employed in public safety.

On 6/3/19, Davis pled guilty and was convicted of two counts of *Recklessly Endangering Another Person* as a result of his arrest. These convictions are a violation of the Board's moral fitness standards.

*Greg Martin recused himself due to a conflict of interest.*

<i>Policy Committee Discussion/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
Rob Persson moved that the Corrections Policy Committee adopt the staff report.	Brian Pixley	12 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Martin); 1 absent (Smith)	Motion Passed
<p>The committee discussed the moral fitness violation and identified the following aggravating and mitigating factors specific to this case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aggravating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Davis created a substantial risk to public safety and caused a car accident where the victims sustained injuries.</li> <li>○ Davis's high Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) level at the time of the arrest (0.23).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Davis failed to notify DPSST of the arrest.</li> <li>● Mitigating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Davis successfully completed diversion for DUII.</li> <li>○ Davis was not employed in public safety at the time of his arrest, and hadn't been for nearly 23 years.</li> <li>○ Davis was cooperative with the arresting officer.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Nadine Purington moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Davis's certification.	Brian Pixley	12 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Martin) 1 absent (Smith)	Motion Passed
Matt English moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Davis be ineligible to hold public safety certification for 5 years.	Brian Pixley	12 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Martin) 1 absent (Smith)	Motion Passed

**8. David, Duwelius (46066) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Linsay Hale

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On 3/30/2019, David Duwelius retired from the Department of Corrections/Two Rivers Correctional Institution (DOC/TRCI) in lieu of termination. Duwelius' impending termination resulted from an agency investigation into his breaking of an agency phone, then repeatedly lying about how the phone was broken.

<i>Policy Committee Discussion/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
Michael Yoder moved that the Corrections Policy Committee adopt the staff report.	Rob Persson	14 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
<p>The committee discussed the moral fitness violation and identified the following aggravating and mitigating factors specific to this case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Aggravating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Duwelius was repeatedly untruthfulness during the investigation;</li> <li>○ The egregiousness of Duwelius' untruthfulness;</li> <li>○ Duwelius was employed as a corrections officer for 13 years at the time of the incident;</li> <li>○ Duwelius failed to take responsibility for his actions; and</li> <li>○ Duwelius displayed an act of anger in front of the inmates he was supervising.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mitigating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Duwelius accepted his termination in his letter;</li> <li>○ Duwelius' past performance appraisals indicated that he was a good staff member; and</li> <li>○ Duwelius under a significant amount of stress at the time of the incident.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Brian Pixley moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Duwelius's certification.	Rob Persson	14 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Brian Pixley moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Duwelius be ineligible to hold public safety certification for a lifetime.	Matt English	14 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

9. **Higgins, Spencer (48698) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Linsay Hale

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

In March 2019, DPSST received notice from LEDS that Spencer Higgins had been arrested three times within a week and charged with the following:

- 3/13/19 *Felony Assault in the Fourth Degree* and *Harassment* in Medford, Oregon.
- 3/17/19 *Disorderly Conduct in the Second Degree* in Grants Pass, Oregon.
- 3/19/19 *Contempt of Court-Violation No Contact Release Agreement*.

Higgins pled no contest and received a deferred sentence for *Disorderly Conduct in the Second Degree* on May 30, 2019. As a result of that plea, the Jackson County District Attorney dismissed the *Harassment* charge in the interest of justice. There were no charges filed for *Felony Assault in the Fourth Degree*. The *Contempt of Court – Violation No Contact Release Agreement* is not considered a criminal offense.

Higgins' plea of no contest to the charge of *Disorderly Conduct in the Second Degree* constitutes a plea of guilt to a criminal offense and is a violation of the Board's moral fitness standards.

<i>Policy Committee Discussion/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
Mike Yoder moved that the Corrections Policy Committee adopt the staff report.	Jamie Hepner	14 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

<p>The committee discussed the moral fitness violation and identified the following aggravating and mitigating factors specific to this case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aggravating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Higgins held Advanced Corrections Certification and had 11 years' experience in public safety;</li> <li>○ All three of Higgins' arrests occurred within a one week period;</li> <li>○ Higgins failed to notify DPSST of his arrests; and</li> <li>○ Although Higgins' arrest for Assault in the Fourth Degree was dismissed, it did involve domestic violence.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mitigating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Higgins completed diversion for Disorderly Conduct in the Second Degree;</li> <li>○ Higgins was having significant mental health issues at the time of the arrests; and</li> <li>○ Higgins had medically retired from his agency prior to these incidents occurring.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Nadine Purington moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Higgins's certifications.	Matt English	14 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Greg Martin moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Higgins be ineligible to hold public safety certification for 4 years.	Taj Shivvers	14 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

**10. Keyser, Chris (35121) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Linsay Hale

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On 6/1/19, Chris Keyser retired from the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) in lieu of termination after it was determined that Keyser was untruthful with Oregon City Police Department (OCPD) officers regarding an accidental discharge of a weapon at his residence.

Staff has determined that Keyser's untruthfulness with OCPD officers violates the Board's moral fitness standards.

*Lee Eby recused himself due to a conflict of interest.*

<i>Policy Committee Discussion/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
Rob Persson moved that the Corrections Policy Committee adopt the staff report.	Cody Smith	13 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused	Motion Passed



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<p>The committee discussed the moral fitness violation and identified the following aggravating and mitigating factors specific to this case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aggravating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Keyser was untruthful with the responding officers throughout the investigation;</li> <li>○ Keyser had 21 years of service as a public safety officer;</li> <li>○ Keyser held the rank of Sergeant and was a firearms instructor at CCSO;</li> <li>○ Keyser was drinking alcohol while handling the firearm;</li> <li>○ Keyser attempted hide the bullet hole by concealing it;</li> <li>○ Keyser wasted the resources of the responding agency and the district attorney's office investigating the incident;</li> <li>○ Keyser took no responsibility for his actions and claimed the event was caused by Post Traumatic Stress Disorder; and</li> <li>○ Video shows children playing in the area around the time of the weapon discharge and could have resulted in serious harm.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mitigating <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ None identified</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Rob Persson moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Keyser's certification.	Kevin Marshall	13 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Eby)	Motion Passed
Cody Smith moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Keyser be ineligible to hold public safety certification for a lifetime.	Michael Yoder	13 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Eby)	Motion Passed

### **11. Mahoney, James (43650) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Linsay Hale

#### *Reason for Discretionary Review*

On 4/17/19, James Mahoney was terminated from the Department of Corrections/Powder River Correctional Facility (DOC/PRCF) for falsification of tier check logs, inappropriate use of internet, inattentiveness to duty, and untruthfulness during the subsequent investigatory interview.

Mahoney's falsification, neglect of duty and untruthfulness violates the Boards moral fitness standard.

*Rob Perrson recused himself due to a conflict of interest.*

<i>Policy Committee Discussion/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
Matt English moved that the Corrections Policy Committee adopt the staff report.	Kevin Marshall	13 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Persson)	Motion Passed
<p>The committee discussed the moral fitness violation and identified the following aggravating and mitigating factors specific to this case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aggravating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mahoney’s untruthfulness in documenting his tier checks;</li> <li>○ Mahoney holds Intermediate Corrections Certification;</li> <li>○ Mahoney’s conduct was continued behavior despite previously receiving verbal counseling specifically related to the internet usage;</li> <li>○ Mahoney took no responsibility for his actions and instead blamed others for his behavior by stating that he was directed by agency management to log tier even if they weren’t completed;</li> <li>○ An inmate was injured due to Mahoney’s negligence; and</li> <li>○ Mahoney had logged over 900 hours of training.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mitigating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Counseling provided to Mahoney was only for the length of time spent on the internet and not the type of internet usage.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Michael Yoder moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board’s moral fitness standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Mahoney’s certifications.	Jamie Russell	13 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Persson)	Motion Passed
Brian Pixley moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Mahoney be ineligible to hold public safety certification for lifetime.	Jamie Hepner	13 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Persson)	Motion Passed

**12. Motlagh, Amyr (58470) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Linsay Hale

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On 3/30/19, the Lane County Sheriff’s Office (LCSO) terminated Amyr Motlagh from probationary employment after learning of a negative interaction he had with the County’s Animal Control, in which he allegedly attempted to use his position in law enforcement to avoid paying a fee, and his repeated negative interactions with adults in custody (AIC).

It should be noted that Motlagh was not interviewed regarding any of these allegations prior to his discharge. Staff did not find a provable moral fitness violation in Motlagh’s interaction

with Animal Control, but did find sufficient evidence to indicate that Motlagh violated the Board’s moral fitness standards when he intentionally antagonized an AIC by modifying the size written on a pair of AIC pants and shirt to a higher size (changing sizes “small” and “medium” to “2XL”) and by aggressively charging towards an AIC who was being verbally defiant.

*Kevin Marshall was recused by Linsay Hale due to a technical difficulties. Later rejoined for ineligibility period portion.*

<i>Policy Committee Discussion/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
Brian Pixley moved that the Corrections Policy Committee adopt the staff report.	Matt English	13 ayes; 0 nays; 1 recused (Marshall)	Motion Passed
<p>The committee discussed the moral fitness violation and identified the following aggravating and mitigating factors specific to this case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aggravating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Motlagh’s confrontational attitude and behavior during his employment in public safety;</li> <li>○ Motlagh was knowingly deceptive in giving the inmate the wrong sizes in an attempt to garner a reaction from the inmate;</li> <li>○ Motlagh’s mitigation was unsatisfactory in that it didn’t include responsibility for all of the actions that lead to his separation;</li> <li>○ Motlagh intentionally provoked the inmates which put other staff at risk;</li> <li>○ Motlagh’s overall behavior was flippant; and</li> <li>○ Motlagh acknowledged that he is not a good fit for the position in public safety which he noted was in his psychiatric evaluation.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mitigating: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Motlagh was not entitled to due process because he was under a probationary status and was not provided the ability to respond to the allegations.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Jamie Russell moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board’s moral fitness standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Motlagh’s certification.	Lee Eby	12 ayes; 1 nays (Shivvers); 1 recused (Marshall)	Motion Passed
Matt English moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Mollagh be ineligible to hold public safety certification for 3 years.	Brian Pixley	14 ayes; 0 nays;	Motion Passed

**13. Peters, Loren (55373) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Linsay Hale

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

DPSST received a notice from Loren Peters that he was arrested on 12/12/19 for *Driving While Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII)* in Eugene, Oregon. On 2/19/20, Peters pled no contest and was convicted of *DUII*, a crime that requires discretionary review.

<i>Policy Committee Discussion/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
Michael Yoder moved that the Corrections Policy Committee adopt the staff report.	Brian Pixley	14 ayes; 0 nays;	Motion Passed Unanimously
<p>The committee discussed the moral fitness violation and identified the following aggravating and mitigating factors specific to this case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aggravating               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Peters’ conduct occurred during his employment as a public safety professional;</li> <li>○ Peters’ is still on probation and has not paid any of the fines or fees since March of 2020;</li> <li>○ Peters’ Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) level at the time of his arrest was (0.22);</li> <li>○ Peters’ inability to answer the officer’s questions due to his high BAC;</li> <li>○ Peters’ careless driving behavior that was observed by citizens and law enforcement;</li> <li>○ Peters was observed by the officer to be actively drinking a substance, believed to be beer, before initial contact was made; and</li> <li>○ Peters was previously arrested for DUII in 2013.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Mitigating               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Peters’ previous DUII was before his employment as a public safety professional; and</li> <li>○ Peters’ high BAC may have accounted for the inability to answer the officer’s questions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Brian Pixley moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board’s moral fitness standard and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Loren’s certification.	Matt English	13 ayes; 1 nays (Martin)	Motion Passed
Brian Pixley moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Peters be ineligible to hold public safety certification for 5 years.	Lee Eby	13 ayes; 1 nays (Martin)	Motion Passed

**14. Proposed Rule Changes for OAR 259-008-0100: Oregon Fallen Law Enforcement Memorial Eligibility Criteria – Review of Comments**

Presented by Jennifer Howald

Over the course of the last year, the Board, the Corrections Policy Committee (CPC) and the Police Policy Committee (PPC) have reviewed and discussed the eligibility criteria for law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty to be recognized on the Oregon Fallen Law Enforcement Memorial.

After the November CPC and PPC review of draft rule changes, DPSST filed a proposed rule change to collect constituent and public comment. The comment period ended December 31, 2020.

*Consensus reached approving the fiscal impact statements provided by staff.*

*Rob Persson moved to recommend that the Board adopt the amended proposed rule changes for OAR 259-008-0100 as a permanent rule if no comments are received. Nadine Purington seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

**15. Proposed Rule Changes for OAR 259-008-0015, 259-008-0290, 259-008-0300 and 259-008-0310: Moral Fitness Standards Relating to Discrimination – Review for Comments**

Presented by Jennifer Howald

Over the course of the last year, the Board, the Corrections Policy Committee (CPC) and the Police Policy Committee (PPC) have reviewed and discussed the eligibility criteria for law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty to be recognized on the Oregon Fallen Law Enforcement Memorial.

After the November CPC and PPC review of draft rule changes, DPSST filed a proposed rule change to collect constituent and public comment. The comment period ended December 31, 2020.

*Nadine Purington moved to recommend that the Board adopt the amended proposed rule changes for OAR 259-008-0015, 259-008-0290, 259-008-0300 and 259-008-0310 as a permanent rule if no comments are received. Rob Persson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

**16. Department Update**

- Les Hallman, Interim Director
  - Two finalists for the Director’s position have been sent to the Governor for consideration.
- Linsay Hale, Professional Standards/Interim Training Division Director
  - Busy legislative session, a lot of focus on law enforcement accountability.
  - COVID mitigation during training, continue to reevaluate requirements and scheduling on an on-going basis to mitigate the best we can. DPSST employees were designated by the Marion County Health Authority as a tier 1a agency for vaccination because of our role in training first responders.
- Marsha Morin, Criminal Justice Certification Program Manager

- Welcomed Melissa Lang, Criminal Justice Case Manager to DPSST. Melissa will be managing all future cases presented to the policy committee.
- Reported the number of Corrections Policy Committee cases that are either ready for review or pending due to employment or criminal matters. This totals approximately 100 cases.
- Applicant Review Committee will have its first meeting later this month.
- Arbitration workgroup membership has been set – this group will be looking at the effects of arbitration on retention of certification.
- Looking to create a workgroup on medical standards, field training officer training and certification and waivers of the minimum training standards
- Expanding the Professional Standards Cases Database, to include all open cases and recently closed with more searchable fields.
- Ethics Bulletin has retired, in its place will be a monthly Professional Standards Update that will provide additional statistical data on the most requested items.

**17. Next Corrections Policy Committee Meeting: May 11, 2021 at 10:00 am.**

*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@state.or.us](mailto:dpsst.records@state.or.us).*