

STATED MEETING OF THE SLED CONSTABLES ADVISORY COUNCIL
April 16, 2010

The regular stated meeting of the SLED Constables Advisory Council was held at 10:00 A.M. Friday, April 16, 2010 in the Bill Rogers Community Connection Center at the SC Department of Juvenile Justice, Broad River Road, Columbia, South Carolina.

I. Call to Order:

Robert Johnson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order promptly at 10:28 A.M. and declared a quorum present. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. David Smith. Those in attendance were as follows:

Constable Advisory Council in attendance

Robert Johnson, Chairperson	Midlands Region CAC
Joel Wood	Piedmont Region CAC
Bill Doar	Pee Dee Region CAC

CAC Committee members in attendance:

David Churilla, Richard Spangler, Leroy Delionback, and Homer Kimbrell, of the Training Committee
David Pfaehler of the Policy and Procedures
Rev. Dr. David Smith, Chaplain

SLED Representatives in attendance:

Reginald L. Lloyd, Director
Steve Bernie, Assistant Director
Lt. Ben Moore, Inspector Richard Hunton,
Diana White and Lynn Rolin (Regulatory)
Tim James, SLED Constable Liaison

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the stated meeting for March 18, 2010 were before the Council. Bill Doar made a motion that since copies of the minutes were available we dispense with the reading of the minutes. The motion received a second from Joel Wood and the motion was approved unanimously. After review, the minutes were approved by common consent.

The docket was presented and approved by common consent.

II. Opening Remarks:

- A. Tim James, SLED Constable Liaison, began the meeting by making opening remarks. Mr. James stated that the SLED mission is to maximize the use of Constables, improve communications between SLED and Constables, and the unification of the Constabulary. Mr. James then introduced Reginald L. Lloyd, Director of SLED.
- B. Director Lloyd thanked the Constables for their service and stated that the Constables have helped SLED through hard Budget times. Constables have donated over 6,000 hours in support of SLED. SLED, and Constables, will be the front line of defense to protect the people of this State from violent criminals and organized crime. SLED and Constables must stand together to fight crime and to help each other to face this threat.

- C. Robert Johnson, Chairman of the Constable Advisory Council (CAC) thanked Director Lloyd for his remarks. Chairman Johnson announced that David Pfaehler will be assuming the duties as chairman of the Policy and Procedures Committee. Chairman Johnson introduced Joel Wood, CAC Piedmont Region, who presented a summary of the activities of the CAC since July, 2009. A copy of the report is attached and became part of these minutes by common consent. Chairman Johnson then called for reports from the Committees.

III. Committee Reports:

A. Training Committee: David Churilla, Chairman

- The Committee has looked at over twenty topics for training and at different venues to hold the training.
- The Committee is seeking input from Constables as to the type of training they need.
- The CAC will have a booth at the SCLEOA Convention to be held at Myrtle Beach.
- The Committee is working on integrating with the Criminal Justice Academy.
- The Committee is exploring the possibility of a "Training Officer" to help new Constables adjust to being a Constable.
- The Committee is exploring training in the following areas:
 - Gang Activity
 - Traffic Stops/ check Points
 - Advanced Constable Training Classes
 - How to work in a "Taser Environment"

B. Policy and Procedures: David Pfaehler, Chairman

- The Committee is working on the mechanism to get input from Constables on things they would like to see changed in the Policy and Procedure Manual.
- The Committee will be making recommendations to the CAC in the near future.

IV. Old Business

- A. Joel Wood will look into getting the February and March Minutes of the CAC posted to the Website and will see that, when the minutes are approved by the CAC, they will be posted as soon as possible.

V. New Business:

- A. The CAC needs someone to help Kenny McLean with the Website. Experience with IT is needed.
- B. If you are interested in being a CAC Representative next year, you should send a resume to Robert Johnson as soon as possible.
- C. Diana White presented the "Beneficiary Form" and the "Emergency Contact Form" and explained the difference in the two forms.
- D. Chief Howard Cook, Columbia College, presented a program on the 2010 SCLEOA convention that will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, SC. The Convention will begin on August 29, 2010 and will run through September 1, 2010. All constable are urged to attend.

E. Questions asked to the CAC by those in attendance:

- Does the CAC and Constables have the same passion for the future of SLED and the Constables as expressed by Director Lloyd? Member of the CAC shared their feelings that the CAC and SLED have the same passion for the success of the program.
- How can we attract new and younger members into the Constable Program? Members of the CAC acknowledged that this is a problem and ways are being studied to reduce the initial cost of becoming a Constable.
- What is the number one Priority of the CAC? Members of the CAC expressed their personal views. The consensus was that completion of the revision to the Policy and Procedures Manual and improved communication with all Constables are top priority items along with improved training for all Constables.

VI. Next Meeting:

The next regularly stated meeting of the Constables Advisory Council will be held on May 20, 2010 in the Palmetto Room at SLED Headquarters, Columbia, S.C. The time for the meeting will be 10:00 A.M.

VII. Adjournment:

There being no further business Bill Doar made a motion that the meeting be adjourned following a prayer by Joel Wood in the absence of Rev. Dr. David Smith. The motion received a second from Joel Wood and the motion carried.

After a prayer by Joel Wood the meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted by

Joel E. Wood, CAC Piedmont Region