

COUNTY CHIEF ADULT PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICERS
ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA
General Membership Meeting
June 20, 2008
Toftrees, State College

In the absence of President Rich Mertz, the meeting was called to order by Executive Director Conway Bushey.

Presenter: Daniel Ellis, Senior Special Agent – US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Mr. Ellis did a power point presentation regarding the restrictions and guidelines on HUD housing in relation to probationers and residents of HUD. This power point is available at www.HUD.GOV.

Agency Updates:

AOPC: None

CCAP: Margaret Davis, Strategic Management Planning Data Consultant/Project Manager for the CCAP Data Quality Project, presented updates on the activities of the project and identified the five pilot counties for the project (Allegheny, Berks, Franklin, Mifflin and Venango).

JNET: Eric Webb, Deployment Coordinator, provided updates on the JNET Deployment Map, ER and Notifications, AOPC Sheriff Notifications, DSI Photos, JNET Automated registration and ER-2P.

PCCD: None

PCS: Conway reported that Carrie Peters, Training Specialist from the Sentencing Commission, advised that the revisions of the 6th Addition of the Guidelines were adopted.

PBPP: - Fred Klunk, Research Division, presented an overview of the "Board Excellence Accountability and Measurement" (BEAM) system.

PBPP - John Tuttle, Deputy Executive Director, presented a training update, including notification that the State has gone with Protective Safety Systems (John Desmondt) for their defensive tactics training.

PBPP - INTERSTATE COMPACT: Margaret Thompson, Director of Interstate Probation Services, advised that the Interstate Transfer Fee of \$100.00 will now stay with the transferring county. The fee must be charged unless otherwise waived. Margaret also added that once a Special Probation case is accepted by another state, it will come back to the sending county to continue to be monitored. She also stated that there will be a Basic Training Academy in July and if anyone needs/wants training, please contact her.

PBPP - Bill McDevitt, Director of Probation Services, shared that the Grant-in-Aid for 2008-2009 is flat again.

Firearms Commission: Larry Straitiff stated that the Laser Shot® training has been approved, purchased and scheduled as the continuing education training for 2008. Simunitions® will be held in April and October. Basic Firearms academies have been scheduled for the year.

Executive Director:

Conway advised that Senate Bills 1334 and 1335 will raise the amounts that can be charged for annual memberships from \$10.00 to \$250.00 per probation officer. The bills are currently in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Unfinished Business:

A committee to review salary disparity between supervisors and probation officers - Mike Potteiger and Conway said that they will try to get things rolling before the next meeting.

Achievements:

Mike Hamel, retiring Chief Adult Probation Officer in Montgomery County, was presented a plaque in recognition of his years of service and experience. Mike commented that he will be back for the pig roast.

Michelle Beaver, Chief Probation Officer, Juniata County, has been appointed as a Commissioner to the County Probation and Parole Officers Firearm Education and Training Commission.

Larry Straitiff, Chief Adult Probation Officer, Jefferson County, ends his tenure as a Commissioner on the County Probation and Parole Officers Firearm Education and Training Commission, having served as the Commission's first and only chairman from 1995 until January, 2008.

Rob Repard, Probation Supervisor, Tioga County, and R. Scott Schlechter, Probation Supervisor, Lehigh County, have been reappointed to the County Probation and Parole Officers Firearm Education and Training Commission as representatives of the Association.

Kerri Martin, Lancaster County Probation, has been appointed Deputy Chief Adult Probation Officer.

Committees:

Firearms: Larry Straitiff reminded everyone to remember to do their annual requalification and continuing education. Requalifications have to be done before October 31, 2008, so be sure to get them in early.

Training: Rick Kipp is looking for training committee volunteers.

Legislative: Carl McKee nothing additional to add to Conway's Senate Bills.

Intercounty : in Gary Cenna's absence, Conway presented a question from Gary who asked if a county can refuse to accept an Intercounty transfer case if the SID is not on the paperwork. The unanimous answer was "No."

Information Technology: Conway stated that DSI has made a proposal that if the county probation departments can enroll 20,000 offenders on Call Track, DSI would be able to hire staff to write a program to make the probation case management system web-based. Conway met with Tony Bambocci and Jim Rokosky from DSI, Dave Naisby from JNET and Andy Keyser from e-Data Experts to discuss an alternative proposal. JNET is willing to host the web-based probation case management system and Andy's company

could write the program but the cost is \$550,000 which would include hardware and program software. The proposal will be presented to PCCD as a possible funding source.

Calendar of Events:

- CCAPPOAP Annual Conference – September 29-30, 2008
- Executive Committee Meetings – September 28, 2008, December 5, 2008
- General Business Meetings – October 1, 2008, December 12, 2008
- BTA – July, 2008 (Questions – contact Jim Todd at (717) 773-3399 or jtodd@state.pa.us)
- APPA – 33rd Annual Training Institute – August 3-6, 2008 (The Rio, Las Vegas, NV)
Winter Training Institute – February 8-11, 2009 (Myrtle Beach, SC)
34th Annual Training – August 23-26, 2009 (Anaheim, CA)
- JNET – August 20-21, 2008
- Firearms Commission: July 22, 2008,
- JCJC: The Pennsylvania Conference on Juvenile Justice – November 5-7, 2008 (Harrisburg Hilton & Towers)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Rob Repard – Tioga
Troy Freeman – Tioga
Larry Straitiff – Jefferson
Carl McKee – Warren
Regina Himes – Armstrong
Rich Gardner – Allegheny
Nancy Yavios – Berks
Richard Forry – Berks

Al Sabol – York
Terry Reichard – York
Kerri Martin – Lancaster
Jim Miller – Montour
Jayne Smail – Clarion
Vicki Saylor – Somerset
Doug Weaver – Blair
Scott Schultz – Blair
Tom Dougherty – PBPP
Eric Webb – JNET
William J. McDevitt, Jr. – PBPP
Leslee Magulick – PBPP
Craig Williams – PBPP
Kenneth Santos – Lehigh Valley College
Katie Rightnour – Lehigh Valley College
Denise MacNelly – Lehigh Valley College
Richard A. Kipp – Lehigh Valley College
Todd Harpster – Mifflin
Michelle Beaver – Juniata
Michael Vecchio – Luzerne
Michael Raith – Delaware
Sally Barry – Lebanon
Mark Murray – Delaware
Bob McCullough – Lycoming
Mike Hamel – Montgomery
Rick Parsons – Montgomery
Rob Williams – Wayne
Jim Chapman – Wayne
Bill Lightcap - Westmoreland
Gregory E. Silvestri – Westmoreland
James Boyd – Erie
Mark Opacic – PBPP
John Tuttle – PBPP
Chris Boyd - Adams
John Roller – Cumberland
Jim Gunderman – Dauphin
Fred Klunk – PBPP
Dan Blahusch – Federal Probation, Philadelphia
Mike Potteiger – Dauphin
Dennis Walters – Washington
Craig Wise – Greene
Bob Daugherty – Venango
Gary Seefeldt – McKean
Jodi Tanner – McKean

John Holt – Crawford
Phil Silverd - Crawford