# PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION LAW ENFORCEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES

## Thursday, March 26, 2015 – 9:30 a.m.

# Clayton Hutchinson Agricultural Center Exhibit Hall "B" 559 North Military Trail West Palm Beach, Florida

#### **Members Present**

Director Kirk Blouin, Chairman, Palm Beach Police Department Chief Brian Smith, Vice Chairman, Juno Beach Police Department Chief Robert Mangold, Atlantis Police Department Chief Dan Alexander, Chairman, Boca Raton Police Department Chief Jeffrey Katz, Boynton Beach Police Department Chief Jeffrey Goldman, Delray Beach Police Department Director Michael Porath, Greenacres Department of Public Safety Chief Craig Hartmann, Highland Beach Police Department Chief Frank Kitzerow, Jupiter Police Department Chief Wes Smith, Lake Clarke Shores Police Department Chief Sean Scheller, Lantana Police Department Chief Carmen Mattox, Manalapan Police Department Chief Richard Jenkins, North Palm Beach Police Department Interim Chief Hal Hutchins, Ocean Ridge Police Department Chief Stephen Stepp, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department Chief Duncan Young, Palm Beach Shores Police Department Chief Clarence Williams III, Riviera Beach Police Department (Represented by Major Leonard Mitchell) Chief Thomas A. Ceccarelli, Palm Springs Public Safety Department Chief Carl Webb, South Palm Beach Police Department Chief Bryan Kummerlen, West Palm Beach Police Department Chief Larry Leon, Palm Beach County School District Police Department Chief Charles Lowe, Florida Atlantic University Police Department Duane Little, Special Agent Supervisor, Florida Department of Law Enforcement Major Camille Soverel, Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission Major Carol Owsiany-Himmel, Florida Division of Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Michael D'Alonzo, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation Edward Thompson, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Robert Shirley, Resident Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Pete Garcia, Federal Security Director, Transportation Security Administration Xavier Morales, Patrol Agent in Charge, U.S. Border Patrol

#### **Members Absent**

Chief Garrett Ward, Gulf Stream Police Department Chief John Pruitt, Jupiter Inlet Colony Police Department Chief Christopher Elg, Tequesta Police Department Sheriff Ric Bradshaw, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Major Luis Ramil, Florida Highway Patrol Troy Walker, Special Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement Maurice Spates, Resident Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement Mike Waites, Chief Investigator, State Attorney's Office 15th Judicial Circuit Lieutenant Anthony Stafford, State Fire Marshall's Office John McKenna, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Drug Enforcement Administration Glen Wilner, Assistant Chief, U.S. Marshals Service Robert Pearce, Resident Agent in Charge, U.S. Secret Service Ellie Michaud, Supervisory Special Agent in Charge, Internal Revenue Service

#### **Advisory Members Present**

Hon. Dave Aronberg, State Attorney, 15th Judicial Circuit Gregory Starling, Chief Probation Officer, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice Julie Hogan, Deputy Statewide Prosecutor, Attorney General's Office of Statewide Prosecution

#### **Advisory Members Absent**

Director Larry Schroeder, Criminal Justice Institute of Palm Beach State College Dr. Michael Bell, Palm Beach County Medical Examiner Rolando Garcia, Deputy Chief, U.S. Attorney's Office Joni Livingston, CJSTC Field Specialist, Florida Department of Law Enforcement Rosalyn Baker, Circuit Administrator, Florida Department of Corrections

### Guests

Major Stewart Steele, Boynton Beach Police Department Judge James Martz, 15th Judicial Circuit Deputy Chief Dan Szarszewski, Palm Beach Police Department Scott Nugent, PBSO/Fusion Center Major Robert Allen, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Major Patrick Mccutcheon, Palm Beach County School District Police Department Chief Assistant Brian Fernandes, State Attorney's Office 15th Judicial Circuit Penny Anderson, Senior Coordinator, ISS - LEX Project Captain Thomas Mitchell, Delray Beach Police Department Corey Mendez, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Juan Torres, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Rodney Tilley, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Kent Stanton, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Deputy Chief Michele Miuccio, Boca Raton Police Department Sharon L'Herrou, Director of 211 Programs and Services Assistant Chief Mary Olsen, Delray Beach Police Department Major Suzanne Crawford, Boynton Beach Police Department Nicole Bishop, Director of PBC Justice Services & Victim Services Christopher Yannuzzi Denise Vidal-Bennette, Senior Manager, ISS - LEX Project Xanthie Mangum, Federal Bureau of Investigation Denise Stemen, Supervisory Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation Major Kelly Harris, Boynton Beach Police Department Assistant Chief Sarah Mooney, West Palm Beach Police Department Assistant Chief Tony Kalil, West Palm Beach Police Department Captain David Bernhardt, West Palm Beach Police Department J. Chris Klettheimer, Supervisory Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation Richard Markoe, Manager - Court Operations, Clerk & Comptroller Palm Beach County Mike Edmondson, Executive Assistant, State Attorney's Office, 15th Judicial Circuit Megan Legall, Atlantis Police Department Captain Brian Kapper, West Palm Beach Police Department Assistant Chief Javaro Sims, Delray Beach Police Department Maureen Hackett, State Attorney's Office, 15th Judicial Circuit Chief Assistant Alan Johnson, State Attorney's Office, 15th Judicial Circuit Colonel Jim Stormes, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Captain Eric Coleman, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Assistant Chief Rick Facchine, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department Assistant Chief Clint Shannon, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department Lydia Chung, Palm Tran, Safety and Training Officer Steven Randerson, Assistant Federal Security Director, Transportation Security Administration Robert Vazquez, US Border Patrol Edgar Morley, Support Services Manager, Palm Springs Public Safety Department Carey Haughwout, Public Defender of the 15th Judicial Circuit Scott Penney, Public Defender's Office of the 15th Judicial Circuit Stewart Saalfield, Court Program Specialist II Patrick Doyle, Intelligence Analyst, West Palm Beach Police Department Scott Friedman, Florida Department of Law Enforcement Ted Gonzales, LEX Countywide Program Director Lieutenant Dennis St. Cyr, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Major Braxton Davis, Palm Beach County School District Police Department

### **CJC Staff Present**

- I. Welcome and opening comments by Director Kirk Blouin, Chairman
- II. Roll Call
- III. Introduction of Guests
- IV. Approval and/or additions to the agenda

The March 26, 2015 agenda was approved.

V. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 26, 2015

The minutes of the February 26, 2015 meeting was approved.

- VI. Chairman's Comments
- VII. Announcements/Presentations
  - a. Recognition of Law Enforcement and their Dedication to the Child Abuse Protocol

Chief Sean Scheller, Lantana Police Department, participated in a Community Alliance meeting where contributions to the Child Abuse Protocol (CAP) were acknowledged and recognized. A plaque was presented to the Palm Beach County law enforcement community in recognition of its dedication to protecting Palm Beach County children through the countywide Child Abuse Protocol.

b. Introduction of Public Defender's Office Chief Investigator

Carey Haughwout, Public Defender of the 15th Judicial Circuit, introduced Scott Penney as the Chief Investigator and operations person who will serve as the point of contact for law enforcement agencies. He will be attending the monthly LEPC meetings.

c. Trauma Informed Investigations Training Announcement

Nicole Bishop, Director of Palm Beach County Justice Services & Victim Services, announced a training (8 hr.) on May 4<sup>th</sup> sponsored by the Florida Sheriff's Association, with support from the Florida Police Chiefs' Association. Palm Beach County, with its proactive approach to domestic violence and sexual assault, was chosen as one of the sites in south Florida to host the training. The training will address how individuals respond to trauma. The technique that will be presented was developed by the Department of Defense and has been found to be the best way of investigating domestic abuse and sexual assault. Ms. Bishop encouraged everyone interested to sign up as attendance is limited to 50 individuals. Katherine Hatos will send out the flyer with links to register.

d. Public Records

Alan Johnson, Chief Assistant State Attorney of the 15th Judicial Circuit, discussed the issue of public records and when investigative records are releasable. He provided a handout explaining in greater detail what information law enforcement agencies can release in complying with a public records request. Mr. Johnson emphasized the importance of the agency relationship between law enforcement and prosecutors in terms of information shared and released to the public; as some agencies consider their investigative case closed upon the filing of criminal charges, while prosecutors consider reports exempt through prosecution. He asked agencies to give the handout he provided to their legal counsel, and encouraged them to reach out to the State Attorney's Office if they have any questions. Mr. Johnson also introduced Maureen Hackett as a contact person.

e. Juvenile First Offender Program

Judge James Martz, 15th Judicial Circuit, discussed the importance of the Juvenile First Offender program and documenting its success in the county. He also emphasized the importance of diverting kids and preventing them from getting a criminal record. Chief Probation Officer Greg Starling, Circuit 15, gave an overview of JJIS Prevention Web which contains confidential information on all youths referred for prevention services, and how it works. Chief Alexander expressed that it is his understanding that police agencies are still given the flexibility and discretion to run their own JFO programs, as opposed to being forced into a Civil Citation situation. He inquired if their inability or unwillingness to use the system may at some point jeopardize their flexibility and discretion in using their own JFO program. Judge Martz advised the interim secretary that this program is so long-standing and sophisticated that there is no reason to step back to the Civil Citation process.

Chairman Blouin asked if Judge Martz knew how much the program is utilized in the county. Judge Martz said they have only anecdotal information, no hard data, but that they are able to deduce from the information they are getting back that the program has not been widely applied yet. Chairman Blouin surmised that maybe this is more due to lack of information and training, than resistance to the program. He added that it will benefit law enforcement in the long run, and it is important to not give kids a criminal record that could later be a self fulfilling prophecy. Chief Leon and Major Braxton offered training if needed. Chairman Blouin invited the School Police to do a brief presentation on best practices (conceptually what the program is, how to collect/disseminate information, and how to run your program).

- VIII. New Business
  - IX. Old Business
  - X. Liaison Updates
    - a. Data Sharing: Chief Kitzerow reported that they have recently launched the new version of the program, LEX 3.0. He thanked the ISS staff for all their hard work, and encouraged everyone to review it.
    - b. Criminal Justice Institute: No report was presented.
    - c. Communications/Interoperability: No report was presented.
    - d. Legislative Update: Todd Bonlarron, PBC Legislative Affairs Director was not in attendance; but he will email an update to Ms. Hatos, who will distribute it to the members.
  - XI. Training Announcements
    - a. Trauma Informed Investigations Training
- XII. Member Comments

Chief Duncan talked about the new staffing survey developed by Katherine Hatos in survey monkey. Chairman Blouin mentioned that the new survey isn't staff intensive. It asks two questions 1) agency name and 2) number of funded vacancies.

Chris Yannuzzi provided information about the Law Enforcement Special Olympics, Blue Line Challenge, and Annual Tour de Force events.

- XIII. Attachments
  - a. Trauma Informed Investigations Training (on purple paper)
  - b. Public Records Legal Analysis (on yellow paper)
  - c. JJIS Prevention Web Information Sheet (on green paper)
  - d. Summary of Department of Justice Reports (on white paper)
- XIV. Adjournment

Next Meeting: April 23, 2015 Clayton Hutchinson Agricultural Center