

**STATE OF ALASKA  
Alaska Police Standards Council**

**Minutes of the 110<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting  
May 21, 2012**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Sheldon Schmitt called the <sup>Regular</sup> Meeting of the Alaska Police Standards Council to order on May 21, 2012. Chairman Schmitt conducted a roll call as follows:

**APSC Members Present:**

Chairman Sheldon Schmitt, Chief, Sitka PD  
Vice Chairman Berni Troglio, Prob. Officer IV DOC  
Joseph Masters, Commissioner, DPS  
Joseph Schmidt, Commissioner, DOC  
Mark Mew, Chief, Anchorage PD  
Jamie Sunderland, Chief, Unalaska DPS  
Gus Sandahl, Chief, Kenai PD  
Ron Taylor, Director, DOC  
Richard Burton, Public Member  
Rebecca Hamon, Public Member  
Brad Reich, Public Member

**APSC Members Absent:**

Freddie Wells, Jr., Sergeant, AST  
Bob Kean, Public Member

**APSC Administrative Staff Present:**

Kelly Alzaharna, Acting Director/Training Coordinator  
Megan Whipple, Secretary  
Tracy Wiard, Office Assistant II

## **Department of Law Representative Present:**

John Skidmore, Chief Assistant Attorney General

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Sunderland made a motion to approve the minutes of the December meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT:**

Chairman Schmitt gave executive session report. The outcomes of the cases are as follows:

**Lance Parcell:** The council voted to revoke certification.

**Jason Joel:** The council voted to move forward with the revocation process.

**Joseph Hazelaar:** The council voted to move forward with the revocation process.

**Michael Barnett:** The council voted to move forward with the revocation process.

**Joshua Lambert:** The council voted to move forward with the revocation process.

**Travis King:** The council voted to move forward with the revocation process.

**Antonio Silva:** The council voted to move forward with the revocation process.

**Antonio Leventry:** The council voted to move forward with the revocation process.

**James Statin** (phonetic): The council voted to move forward with revocation process.

**Brian Ervin:** The council voted to accept the surrender of his certificate.

**Daniel Shrader:** The council voted to accept the surrender of his certificate.

**Bradley Knight:** The council voted to accept the surrender of his certificate.

**Kevin Kennedy:** The council voted to accept the surrender of his certificate.

**Spencer Gates:** The council voted to accept the surrender of his certificate.

## **REPORTS:**

Chairman Schmitt asked for Acting Director Alzaharna to provide the Executive Director's report.

### **Executive Director Report:**

Acting Director Alzaharna introduced John Skidmore and stated he would give a report regarding citizenship.

John Skidmore discussed a proposal requiring individuals receiving a certificate to be U.S. citizens. He stated that if the council would like to go forward with the change, they would have to go through the process of amending regulations.

He stated this proposal involves police officers receiving a certificate, as well as probation, parole, and correctional officers.

There was discussion regarding the reasons for this change, as well as the effects it would have on various departments.

There was further discussion regarding the specific language regarding an applicant's intent to become a citizen.

A motion was made and seconded to start a public process for a regulatory change to gain public input.

Terry Vrabec discussed the opinions of the DPS background investigators on this issue. Greg Russell mentioned that smaller agencies don't always have the resources for background checks.

The motion passed 7-4 in favor.

### **Training Coordinator Report**

Acting Director Alzaharna gave a report regarding training in the last year. She stated that after the regular training had been done, the chiefs were all asked what kind of training would benefit their departments. Requests were made and the majority of those requests were able to be granted.

Another request is going to be made regarding training equipment needs.

### **Chairman Report**

Chairman Schmitt took a moment to recognize outgoing council members.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Jake Metcalf gave a report regarding the bills introduced in the last legislative session. House Bill 351 and Senate Bill 198 had to do with some changes to the regulatory makeup of the Police Standards Council.

He discussed the committees the bills traveled through.

He asked the council to direct staff to work over the course of the next year to see if there is common ground regarding the regulatory changes.

He discussed in detail some of the changes being proposed.

Steve Sorenson discussed the standards for revocation of a certificate.

Discussion was held regarding the regulatory changes.

A motion was made and seconded to direct the legislative committee to work with PSCA on these regulatory changes.

The motion passed with one member opposed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Schmitt asked for a motion to adjourn.

The motion was made and seconded.

The meeting was adjourned.