



Training Committee MINUTES

Ohio Private Investigators & Security Services Commission

JANUARY 17, 2012- 1 P.M.

Location: Ohio Dept. of Public Safety
1970 W. Broad St. Room 134 M/O
Columbus, OH 43223

Committee Members Present:

Cohen, Mike - International Security - **Chair**
Armstrong, Rodney - Securitas Security Service USA, Inc.
Hollenbaugh, Gregg, Cal Crim Inc.
Owens, Ted, Ohio Special Services Group LLC
Sever, Wayne – Highland
Booker, Robert, Exec. Dir., OIU

Members Absent:

Korn, Howard, International Protection Group
Watts, Kim, Brink's

Also Present:

Anne Vitale, ODPS Legal
Sandra Bashir-Muhammad, PISGS
Greg McGough, PISGS Enforcement Supervisor

- **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 1:08 pm.
- **Approve Minutes** – The minutes from the November 22, 2011 meeting were reviewed in silence. It was noted that the date and time of the meeting was November 22, 2011 at 1 pm. and not January 12, 2012 at 2:30 pm. as shown on the minutes. Mr. Armstrong motioned to approve the minutes with the noted corrections, and Mr. Owens seconded the motion. The vote was taken, and the minutes were approved with the noted corrections for date and time of the meeting.
- **Review** – Chairman Cohen reviewed topics discussed at the previous meeting:
 1. Eight (8) hours of security guard training,
 2. certified instructors with DPS approval;
 3. DPS committee with at least one industry representative to determine costs;
 4. costs to the applicant;
 5. levels of training for continuing education;
 6. set up meeting with Portability and Legislative sub-committees to review training to be incorporated with portability and new legislation;
 7. present to PISSC for fine tuning by mid-2012.
- **Points of Discussion:**

1. Approved training curriculum;
2. On-line testing vs. paper testing with a proctor;
3. Training costs, the provider or the employee applicant;
4. EMA testing process;
5. Instructors accountability;
6. Upgrading firearm training;
7. Continuing education hours, and optional training.

Conclusion:

1. It was agreed that eight (8) hours of training is reasonable;
 - a. 8 hours of training required before registration;
 - b. Applicant must pass a test at the conclusion of training;
 - c. Applicant has the option to test out of training;
2. The industry seems to be in favor of removing OPOTA of all responsibilities pertaining to the private security industry;
3. Training to be delivered by certified instructors designated by the qualifying agent and certified by ODPS;
 - a. Curriculum will be approved by ODPS;
 - b. The applicant will be responsible for training costs;
 - c. Tests will be on-line (secure link), or on paper with a proctor;
 - d. Software will be re-written for testing;
4. Optional training and continuing education will be encouraged for all employees to raise their competency and level of professionalism;
5. Currently registered employees will be grandfathered;
6. To carry a firearm, the licensee or registered employee must comply with the following:
 - a. Satisfactorily complete a basic firearm training program approved by ODPS;
 - b. The firearm training instructor must be approved and certified by ODPS;
 - c. Satisfactorily completed firearm training program within the last year approved by ODPS as equivalent to such program and presents documented evidence that training shall be acceptable;
 - d. Requalification is required every twelve (12) months.
7. The curriculum will go into rule;
8. Anne will research previous legislation used by the BMV for Dealers to review language used;
9. Each provider should have a certified trainer on staff;
10. A maximum training fee will be determined. Fees will go in to law;
11. This committee will meet with the Legislative committee to draft legislation for training.

- **Next Meeting – February 16, 2012 at 1 pm.**
- **Meeting adjourned**