



**MINUTES  
OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
3650 SOUTH BOULEVARD  
EDMOND, OK 73013  
THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023  
10:00 A.M.**

1. Call to Order 10:00 a.m.
2. Flag Salute.
3. Invocation.
4. Roll Call. (Nine, including the Executive Director, meets quorum requirements)

Present:

Chief Smith, Lawton  
Chief Sweger, Guthrie  
Chief Younger, Edmond  
Chief Cluck, Tuttle  
Chief Roles, Bartlesville  
Chief Skaggs, Enid  
Chief Brown, Claremore  
Chief Hyde, Calera  
Chief Gourley, Oklahoma City  
Director – Steve Whitlock

Absent Excused:

Chief Gibson, Moore  
Chief Flowers, Retired  
Chief Hearod, McAlester  
Chief Kidney, Tecumseh

Absent Unexcused:

Commissioner Wesley, Chickasaw Nation  
Chief Jones, OSU

5. Consent Agenda: All matters under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Any Board member may, however, remove an item from the Consent Agenda by request.
  - A. Approval of the minutes of the February 16, 2023 Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police Executive Board Meeting.
  - B. Approval of the Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police financial documents for the period ending February 28, 2023.
  - C. Approval of the Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police expense account for period ending February 28, 2023.
  - D. Approval of the 2023 OACP Active Membership Application of Terrance Bush, Assistant Chief, Chickasaw Lighthouse Police Department.
  - E. Approval of the 2023 OACP Active Membership Application of John Lindsey, Chief, Bacone College Campus Police Department.

Motion to approve Chief Skaggs  
2<sup>nd</sup> Chief Hyde  
Roll Call vote was unanimous.

6. Discussion and possible action on the recommendation from the Awards Committee for the 2023 OACP Awards. (Steve Whitlock)

Discussion: Director Whitlock reported that OACP is presenting 36 awards. Chief Smith stressed the importance of recognizing officers locally and nationally. No Officer of the Year and 2 Chief of the Year, one for a large department and one for a smaller department.

Motion to approve Chief Smith  
2<sup>nd</sup> Chief Sweger  
Roll Call vote was unanimous.

7. Update on the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Accreditation Program. (Kevin McCullough)

Kevin McCullough reported there are 201 agencies that are compliant with Executive Order No. 13929. We now have 19 agencies that have been accredited, 5 agencies that are certified and 29 agencies that are verified. Tuttle Police Department is now fully accredited and is the smallest agency to have done so.

8. Executive Director's Report.

Director Whitlock reported The Speaker of the House appointed Chief Cluck the CLEET Board as the OLEAP member.

Chief Johnson IACP Candidate for 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President was notified of OACP's endorsement.

SQ820 had a great showing at the capitol Director Whitlock had a firm belief that helped with the defeat. Chief Younger sent story to the NY Times. Money spent on Vote No \$720,00.00 vote yes in the millions. Director Whitlock thanked Chief Younger for bringing up the Hatch Act. Chief Gourley said as long as you are not telling someone how to vote you can speak. Public Safety Coalition sent out SQ820 press release.

Director Whitlock said that Amanda Miller is the OACP person who follows legislation. Chief Gourley expressed concerns about Senator Bullard's bill allowing convicted felons to possess firearms.

Concern that SB 1369 which requires medical personnel to release names of clients will hinder officers from seeking mental health treatment. This bill will go into effect July 1, 2023.

Conference update 72 vendors with 16 tables left \$37,000.00 profit so far.

9. President's Report.

Chief Smith thanked everyone for their support of the no vote on SQ820 which failed by 61%. Looking forward to conference, asked Chief Hyde about gift bags. Chief Hyde said we are good.

10. Board Comments.

Chief Younger brought up the new branding of OACP. Chief Younger looked at States around us and said we need a professional graphic designer. Chief Younger said he had a company that would do the artwork design that would charge \$1,000.00. Director Whitlock said staff would get with the designer and take care of the payment.

11. Adjournment 11:01 a.m.

Motion Chief Younger  
2<sup>nd</sup> Chief Skaggs  
Vote by Acclamation Unanimous.

  
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James Smith, OACP President

  
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Don Cluck, OACP Secretary/Treasurer