CALL TO ORDER:

President Ken Hohenberg called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. He turned the meeting over to Chief Chuck Spoor from Raymond PD who is the Chair of the Nominating Committee. He listed the names of the candidates who expressed interest in running for the following positions:

NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS:

WASPC Vice President
John Snaza, Sheriff, Thurston County

WASPC Treasurer
Chief Brett Vance, Montesano PD
Chief Dan Yourkoski, Normandy Park PD
Dave Trujillo, Director, WA State Gambling Commission
Sheriff Brian Winter, Yakima County

Sheriff At-Large
Bill Benedict, Clallam County

Chief At-Large (to fill unexpired term through May 2019)
Ronnie Roberts, Olympia PD
Paul Budrow, Twisp PD
Carol Cummings, Bothell PD

Chief At-Large
Steve Strachan, Bremerton PD

Chief Spoor opened the floor to any further nominations. Hearing none, Chief Dusty Pierpoint, Lacey PD, moved to accept the ballot as presented. Sheriff Rob Snaza, Lewis County, seconded. Each candidate was allowed some time to make a few comments in support of their candidacy.

The motion to approve the ballot as presented carried.

A brief break in the meeting was taken to allow Active and Life WASPC members to cast their votes. The final result of the election was scheduled to be presented at the end of the meeting.
APPRAOVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 16, 2016 MEETING:
Motion: Chief Ken Thomas, Kent PD, moved to approve the 11/16/16 General Business Meeting minutes as submitted. Sheriff Rob Snaza, Lewis County, seconded. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Boating Safety – Sheriff Bill Benedict, Clallam County
There will be a presentation at the fall conference on numbers that have been generated for Boating Under the Influence (BUI). Many resources have been expended on enhancing the laws for impoundment.

Corrections/Jail Managers – Sheriff Rick Scott, Grays Harbor County
- The Corrections/Jail Managers Committee met with the changes to the jail accreditation standards being the primary discussion topic. The committee voted to approve the changes and recommended final adoption by the Executive Board.
- Also discussed was the Medicaid suspension issue.
- The Department of Corrections gave a presentation on their interactions with the county jails and there was general discussion around that topic.
- The committee concluded with changes to their charter now that Corrections and Jail Managers have been combined into one committee. Co-Chairs of the Committee comprise one Chief, one Sheriff and one Jail Manager.

Finance & Personnel Committee – Chief Robert Torgerson, Aberdeen PD
Audit – Field work for WASPC’s annual financial statement and A133 audit was completed on May 11th. We expect the report to be issued in June with no findings. The auditors will work with Kim Goodman to review procurement guidelines. WASPC expects to make an adjustment to our standard to bring us to the federal minimum, of $3500.

Finance statements presented through March 31, 2017
Page 1 – Balance Sheet (Statement of Financial Position)
- Cash balance at month-end includes $425,000 payable to the City of Seattle for the Internet Crimes against Children grant. Our investment account continues to produce small gains. The finance committee will be meeting with our investment advisor to review our strategy to ensure we are maximizing or investment funds.
- Pages 2 & 3 – Income Statement (Statements of Activities and Changes in Net Assets) & Functional Expenses
Revenues and expenses at the end of the first quarter are as expected. Timing plays a significant factor to the comparison from prior years. This is due to the grant cycles for the various grants. Sex offender address verification grants ($1.2 million per quarter) are paid in the month following quarter end. Traffic grants ($435K) are awarded in January and reimbursements begin to come in late March/early April. SECTOR equipment is purchased later in the fiscal year ($40K). Professional fees for the Jail Booking and Reporting System, Sex Offender Website, and Victim Notification system are paid annually and reported in January for financial statement presentation.

Vouchers written from 3/10/17 through 5/17/17 total $1,868,656.40 (check numbers 38620-38771
WASPC Conferences/Sponsors  We had 100+ exhibitors this year. It’s important for us to spend time visiting with the exhibitors. There were multiple give-aways including $100 cash (at each coffee break), $250 gift cards to Cabela’s and Amazon, as well as exhibitor give-aways (firearm, iPad, variety of gift cards, etc.)

Sponsor/Exhibitor support helps us offset the conference expenses as well as carrying forward profit to the Fall Conference in Chelan.

Chief Torgerson noted that he enjoyed his time as WASPC Treasurer and appreciated the ongoing support he received from members and staff.

Grants Committee – Chief Matthew Hamner, Bainbridge Island
- The Committee has only received one grant request so far this year. The Wahkiakum County Sheriff’s Office requested some funding for radios. During the process, Sheriff Mark Howie, who is a co-chair of the Grants Committee, recused himself from the process to avoid any conflict of interest.
- The Committee has authorized three people to attend the Best Practices for Command Staff training scheduled for June in Walla Walla. So far, no one has submitted any request for funding.

Homeland Security/Intelligence – Chief Ken Thomas, Kent PD
- Chief Thomas gave an update on the WAGangs database and the funding for it.
- He briefly discussed the violence occurring in South King County and the Yakima/Sunnyside area. He emphasized that law enforcement must gain control of this. Intelligence is a great way to do it.
- The Fusion Center gave a briefing on security measures being taken at the Washington State Ferries.
- The Washington State Patrol will conduct threat assessments when requested.
- Chief Thomas urged everyone to understand the importance of intelligence and the work being done by the Fusion Center Board. They are doing a great job.

Indian Country Law Enforcement – Chief Mike Lasnier, Suquamish Tribal Police
- Chief Lasnier proposed a project for the Indian Country Law Enforcement Committee to work cooperatively with other WASPC committees and other organizations to create a Tribal Extradition process. (Proposal Attached) Currently, fugitives from Tribal Court who have Tribal warrants for their arrest are able to simply flee the reservation boundaries. Washington State Agencies will not recognize Tribal Arrest Warrants. This impacts the public safety of Washington State as well as the Tribes, because Tribal Sex Offense, Domestic Violence and DUI convictions are considered by Washington State for Sex Offender Registration, Firearms purchases as well as scoring the number of DUI convictions an offender has. If the offenders can simply flee the reservation and avoid conviction, it impacts all of us. Due to changes in Federal Law allowing Tribal Courts to sentence offenders for up to 3 years per offence, and 9 years per incident, Tribal courts will likely be prosecuting more serious cases that have traditionally been prosecuted in Federal Courts. It is critical that offenders not escape accountability for their crimes. The thrust
of the proposal is to create a method for Tribes to access an extradition process similar to that process used by other States to extradite fugitives from Washington State.

The committee discussed the issue, and unanimously voted to proceed with the project. Tom McBride from WAPA, and Scott Blonien from WACO were present, and also support further work on the project. This project will also involve working with the Washington Attorney General’s Office, the N.W. Association of Tribal Enforcement Officers, the Sheriff’s Association, WASPC Legislative Committee, and other partners. All WASPC members will be invited to the work sessions.

The objective of the project is to create a cooperative solution to the extradition problem that is agreed to by all partners. The ideal solution will likely be a legislative fix. If possible, the project will be completed in time for presentation to the WASPC legislative committee & Executive Board prior to the Fall 2017 Conference, for review and approval by the general membership at the fall conference.

- Chief Lasnier proposed a project for the Indian Country Law Enforcement Committee to work cooperatively with other WASPC committees and other organizations to create a fix to the Eriksen Case. (Proposal Attached) Currently, a non-native driver who crosses the border exiting a reservation in the process of being stopped for DUI is able to escape arrest or accountability for their crime due to a loophole in Washington State Law. In their 2011 Opinion, the Washington Supreme Court Stated “While the territorial limits on the Lummi Nation’s sovereignty create serious policy problems, such as incentive for intoxicated drivers to race for the reservation border, the solution does not lie in Judicial distortion of the doctrine of inherent sovereignty. Instead, these issues must be addressed by the use of political and legislative tools”. No one has ever done the follow up to that case to close this loophole, which benefits criminals at the expense of public safety.

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- The issue of Tribal Access to the LEOFF 2 retirement systems was briefly discussed. No action was taken or recommended.

- Several Tribal Chiefs present discussed that they had begun exploring the process of WASPC Accreditation. There was a perception that the Public Disclosure requirements of
the WASPC accreditation standards were creating a barrier to Tribes accessing the accreditation process, because they require the Tribes to follow the Washington State public disclosure laws, rather than the public disclosure laws of the applicable Tribal government. Chief Lasnier committed to following up with the Professional Services committee. Chief Lasnier subsequently met with the Chairs of the Professional Services Committee, Chief Meyers and Sheriff Jones, who were very receptive to exploring the issue and seeking a solution that meets the needs of the members of both committees. The chairs of both committees will work cooperatively to find a solution before the fall 2017 conference.

- Several Tribes present discussed the perception that they were unable to attain WSIN membership, due to the wording of the current WSIN waiver of sovereignty that is used for Tribal police agency. Chief Lasnier committed to follow up with the Washington State WSIN board members. Chief Ken Thomas is the current Chair of the WSIN board, and was very receptive to seeking a solution, and has already begun working cooperatively with the Indian Country Law Enforcement Committee to seek a solution that meets the needs of both organizations.

**Law Enforcement and Education Training Committee** – Chief Matthew Hamner, Bainbridge Island PD
- The committee met with 50+ people in attendance.
- Several Sergeants gave a presentation on certification for training.

**Legislative Committee**—Chiefs Cliff Cook and Steve Strachan, Sheriffs John Snaza and Dave Stanko
No additional report as a comprehensive report was provided during its meeting earlier in the conference.

**Membership Committee** – Chief Chuck Spoor, Raymond PD
The committee hosted a New Member / First Time Attendee dinner that was well attended. There are 240 Active members; 64 Affiliate members; 453 Associate members and 104 Life members. In addition, there will be six (6) new Active members and 20 Associate members added to our membership count as a result of Executive Board approval of new membership applications during the conference.

**Model Policy Committee** – Chief Bob Metzger, Pasco PD
The committee met and discussed two proposed Model Policies. The first is a revision to the Registered Sex Offender Policy, and the second is a new Model Policy on Referring a Person Who is the Subject of a Report of Threatened or Attempted Suicide to a Mental Health Agency. The committee reviewed and discussed both policies and voted to recommend approval by the Executive Board with a recommendation to forward to the membership for ratification. The Executive Board did approve both and those are submitted here today for final review and approval by this body.

**Past Presidents Committee**—Sheriff Casey Salisbury, Mason County
Nothing to report.
Professional Services Committee – Chief Jeff Myers, Hoquiam PD
The following items were discussed at the Professional Services Committee meeting held on May 24, 2016 with 70 committee members in attendance.

- **Update on accreditation standard revisions** – Mike Painter and Ned Newlin updated committee members on changes to both the law enforcement and jail standards. Summary of changes include:
  - **Law Enforcement** - Addition of one new Records standard, elimination or consolidation of three other standards and housekeeping work to several purpose statements.
  - **Jail** – Changes to 24 standards that include the addition of 14 new standards, 12 of which were in the medical chapter, and housekeeping updates to 8 other standards.

The committee unanimously approved all updates to the jail standards.

- **Introduction of two potential new standards involving extreme risk protection orders and handling or firearms** – Joe Upton (Lacey PD) reviewed two new standards that specifically relate to agency responsibilities, by RCW, regarding the handling of firearms following issuance of Extreme Risk Protection orders. The proposed standard will be discussed at both the fall and 2018 spring conferences.

- **Application of standards during onsite assessments** – Committee members asked about review of model policies and whether or not standards should be created for model policies, once they are approved by the membership. As policies are created, Mike Painter will route them through a small work group that will make recommendation to the Committee regarding whether or not to develop new accreditation standards for each.

- **Ongoing challenges with Lexipol** – Mike updated Committee members where Lexipol policy language does not meet WASPC standards as well as concerning follow up conversation with Lexipol staff. Discussion ensued and Mike will work on securing a Lexipol representative to attend the fall Professional Services Committee meeting to address member concerns.

- **Procedures for weighing of drugs at time of destruction** – Several committee members reported on recent internal problems with drugs being weighed in compliance with the current WASPC standard. Discussion ensued regarding whether or not the standard should be changed to require weighing of all drugs at the time they leave the property room, immediately prior to destruction. The consensus of the Committee was that a proposed update to the standard should be proposed and discussed at the fall conference.

NIBRS Advisory Committee—Joan Smith, WASPC
The committee met and discussed the following:
• Replacement of the NIBRS system. The process has been underway for about a year. WASPC did receive some grant funding for this project. It is anticipated that the new system will be up and running sometime this summer.

• The Crime in Washington report will be published in June. If any of the Chiefs or Sheriffs need something sooner, please contact WASPC and we’ll provide an individual report.

• The Office of Financial Management’s Statistical Analysis Center has asked that they receive more raw data from WASPC in order to do crime analysis. Once the new system is in place, we should be able to produce that data for them. OFM had requested that WASPC query the Chiefs and Sheriffs to see what kind of information they are seeking so it can be included in the Annual Crime book. If anyone has specific data requests, please contact Joan at WASPC (jsmith@waspc.org), to let her know and she will convey that to OFM.

• FBI Initiatives – The FBI developed five key initiatives under its Director James Comey. WASPC has contacted the FBI to see if those initiatives will continue moving forward under a new FBI Director. It was confirmed that they will.

• Joan also advised that WASPC will offer more NIBRS training across the state once the new system is up.

Public Trust Committee – Sheriff Casey Salisbury, Mason County

• The committee met. The co-chairs of the committee, Chief Ed Holmes of Mercer Island PD and Sheriff Casey Salisbury from Mason County have requested that the Chiefs and Sheriffs report back by filling out the Six Pillars table. It is recognized that a lot of work is under way, but not many reports are being completed and submitted so those can be posted to the committee’s site on WASPC’s webpage for others to see.

• Chief Holmes and Sheriff Salisbury would like to see some new people step up to take over the Chair and Co-Chair roles on the Committee. If anyone is interested in doing so, please contact the WASPC office.

Sex Offender Notification and Registration – Sheriff Kendle Allen, Stevens County

• The committee met and discussed the following:
  o The SONAR Committee meets quarterly. One of the topics for discussion was community flyers regarding sex offenders, and what information should and should not be included on them.
  o Leveling options was also discussed.
  o Sheriff Allen advised that WASPC no longer receives any funding for the Sex Offender Coordinators conference. The funding for the conference is now managed by the Office of Financial Management. They are putting on their own conference this year. One very notable item that came up for discussion was OFM’s plan to ensure everyone had a seat at the table including sex offenders. Sheriff Allen noted that to the credit of our law enforcement coordinators and their calls to OFM advising that if offenders were going to attend, they should not expect law enforcement to be there. It became a moot point for this year’s conference in that it was sold out before a final decision was reached on this issue.
Small Agency Committee – Chief Greg Elwin, Mill Creek PD
The Small Agency Committee met on Tuesday and held a training session by Beth Kennar of Summit Law Group. Ms. Kennar did an outstanding job of presenting material on the challenges often faced by law enforcement when hiring decisions need to be made. Hiring authorities need to be very thorough in documenting their hiring decisions. All decisions should be reviewed first by a legal authority. HR is a good place to start. The Washington Cities Insurance Authority has many good resources and can also provide assistance.

Technology Committee – Chief Bill Drake, Orting PD
The committee did not meet during the spring conference.

Traffic Safety Committee – Sheriff Rob Snaza, Lewis County
The WAPSC Traffic Committee met and discussed the following:
- Over 270 surveys were sent out to law enforcement regarding traffic safety issues. The committee received 150 responses back. Based on the responses, a presentation was developed and meetings were scheduled with 25 agencies. The WA State Traffic Safety Commission will be making additional presentations to agencies throughout the coming months.
- Grant awards were discussed.
- The 24/7 Program was discussed. The committee is asking for more involvement from law enforcement agencies.

University Policing Committee – Chief Stacy Brown, Evergreen State College
No report provided.

That concluded committee reports.

Motion: Sheriff John Snaza, Thurston County, moved to approve the committee reports as submitted. Chief Chuck Spoor, Raymond PD, seconded. The motion to approve all reports as submitted carried.

LIAISON REPORTS (no approval required):
Explorers – Chief Dusty Breen, Lewis County Sheriff’s Office
- Chief Breen thanked everyone who attended the Explorers Awards luncheon this week. It means a lot to the Explorers and their supporting agencies.
- The winter Explorer Academy was well received with 174 in attendance.
- The Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office hosted a challenge course. The feedback from that was very positive.
- Chief Breen reported on the things that have been done to address alcohol issues at the camps. A new policy has been put into place that notes any Advisors found to be consuming alcohol on camp grounds will be prohibited from returning to the base. At the summer academy, the Chief met with the TAC staff to explain the changes in the policy and the reasons why. He received very positive responses from the Advisors. There have been no further incidents reported at either camp.
Special Olympics LE Torch Run – Rex Caldwell, CJTC
Rex thanked WASPC for allowing Special Olympics to attach special stickers to interested conference attendee name badges showing their support. Chief Brian Asmus from Liberty Lake PD will be assuming the Torch Run responsibilities from here forward.

Rex noted that Chief Asmus’ department raised $66,000 in support of Special Olympics. This year’s Torch Run will be held in Tacoma at Pacific Lutheran University.

LEIRA—Cathy Munoz, Cheney PD
- As LEIRA’s President, Cathy was pleased to share the successes that LEIRA is enjoying. Their membership has grown to 229 active members this year. This is up by over 100 from this time last year.
- LEIRA members are unique as there is no other organization in Washington State that focuses solely on law enforcement responsibilities relating to public records, property and evidence, records unit functions, etc. Their property and evidence personnel are charged with a high level responsibility that carries significant litigation potential. Law enforcement records personnel are tasked with processing the most difficult and complex public records requests. They are often embedded with a multitude of other records that must be sifted through with extreme care, tenaciousness, and personnel are routinely under tight deadlines that carry a stiff penalty for late and or incorrect responses. Because of this great responsibility, they have been primarily focusing on providing networking and training resources to their members.
- Beginning in 2016, LEIRA worked to develop two (2) public records classes to present at regional trainings on a somewhat regular basis. A beginner's class for public records, which is taught by LEIRA practitioners for those that are new to public records, as well as an advanced class for seasoned veterans. They have continued our partnership with WCIA who will provide financial reimbursement for these and other classes that will be announced later this year.
- LEIRA has been exceptionally fortunate to partner with Sara Di Vittorio who is with the Snohomish County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office to present the advanced class. Sara is a well-respected public records legal advisor and is recognized across the state for her expertise and serves on many committees, including the Sunshine committee, in an attempt to reform the 1972 Public Records Act. Sara used her experience as one of the legal advisors for the Snohomish County Multi Agency Response Team (SMART) to develop an advanced public records training class that is an overview of the Marysville Pilchuck High School shooting that occurred in October of 2014.
- There are currently five (5) sessions of each class scheduled to be taught in 2017. Additionally, LEIRA is working to develop and host other trainings both this year and in the future. If anyone would like specific dates and locations, please refer to their website, LEIRAWA.ORG.

The board has been working on the following goals:
- Renewed active Legislative partnership with WASPC, WCIA, and other entities.
- Renewed use of the training committee. Chris Leyda from Snohomish County has been volunteering as the new training chair and we hope to get her an actual committee by the end of 2017.
Collaborative approach with WAPRO to partner with them at their training conferences.
- Renewed partnership with the California Law Enforcement Association of Supervisors to develop training and networking opportunities that will serve both states memberships.
- Finding new ways to use electronic means to save money. This includes electronic training materials, e-meetings, and better software for data collaboration.
- Minimize the time out of the office for e-board members to make participation feasible for members and their agencies.
- Continue to seek innovative methods to connect with our membership and to bring them training that will aid them in their diverse responsibilities.
- Maintain a meaningful website of resources for our membership.

Cathy thanked their 2017 Executive Board members, as well as their police chief or sheriff for their support to serve on LEIRA’s board.

The 2017 LEIRA E Board is comprised of:
- President – Jeanne Johnson Jacobs, Everett PD – Chief Dan Templeman
- 1st Vice President – Lezlie Arntz, Kennewick PD – Chief Ken Hohenberg
- 2nd Vice President – Cathy Munoz, Cheney PD – Chief John Hensley
- Treasurer – Julie Ubert, Lake Stevens PD – Chief John Dyer
- Secretary – Sandra Ullrich, Auburn PD – Chief Bob Lee
- Past President, Bobbi Romine, Benton County SO – Sheriff Jerry Hatcher

Please don’t hesitate to contact the Executive Board if they may be of assistance to your agency or if you have anyone that you would like to become involved in LEIRA.

BUSINESS:
Registered Sex Offender Model Policy Changes—Jamie Weimer, WASPC

Jamie Weimer summarized the substantive changes to the existing policy, which include:
- Added information regarding SORNA
- Provided clarification on responsibility to notify WSP for out of state offenders.
- Added new sections providing agreed/common practices for offenders who are temporarily residing in a county other than their county of registration and who work/attend school in a county other than their county of registration.
  - Possible statutory change at later date.
- Added clarification on refusal to provide DNA.
- Added section on Offender Watch and memorializing use of the system.
- Added section on risk level classifications, risk assessment tools, ESRC, changes in risk level and petitions for review of assigned risk level classification. Review of assigned classification to be added per agreement with the Sex Offender Policy Board.
- Renamed and moved sex offender monitoring section (registration and verification). Added information.
- Added section on address verification grant program.
- Revised public disclosure section and included brief information on Zink case.
- Added note on social media use regarding community notification bulletins.
• Removed the requirement to maintain an offender notebook (notification checklist).
• Added Offender Watch best practices as an appendix (currently this information is in a separate document).
• Rearranged appendix pages.
• Updated sample flyers/postcards with current information.
• Updated Resources to include resources for law enforcement.

Motion: Chief Matthew Hamner, Bainbridge Island, moved to approve the changes to the Registered Sex Offender Model Policy. Chief Dusty Pierpoint, Lacey, PD seconded. The motion carried.

Proposed WASPC Model Policy
James provided a copy of a proposed WASPC Model Policy on Referring a Person Who is the Subject of a Report of Threatened or Attempted Suicide to a Mental Health Agency. The policy was approved by the Model Policy at today’s committee meeting with a recommendation that the Board approve the policy and move it forward to the general membership for adoption.

This came as a result of legislation passed in 2016 requiring all general authority law enforcement agencies in the state to adopt a policy establishing criteria for an LE officer to refer a person to a mental health agency after receiving a report of threatened or attempted suicide.

Motion: Chief Matthew Hamner moved to approve the new Model Policy. Chief Dusty Pierpoint seconded. The motion to approve carried.

Executive Board Election Results
The results of the Executive Board balloting was as follows:

WASPC Vice President
Sheriff John Snaza, Thurston County

WASPC Treasurer
Sheriff Brian Winter, Yakima County

Sheriff At-Large
Sheriff Bill Benedict, Clallam County Sheriff’s Office

Chief At-Large to Fill Unexpired Term
Chief Ronnie Roberts, Olympia Police Department

Chief At-Large
Chief Steve Strachan, Bremerton Police Department

A drawing for the iPad was held and Chief Chuck Spoor of Raymond PD was the winner.
ADJOURN:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:27 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Gregory
Executive Assistant