

ARIZONA BOARD OF FINGERPRINTING

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Final Minutes for Regular Session Meeting

Held May 20, 2005, at 8:00 a.m. 2222 West Encanto Blvd., Suite 350, Phoenix, Arizona

Board Members

Mike LeHew, Department of Economic Security, Chair Alvin Vasicek, Administrative Office of the Courts Lisette Flores, Department of Education Kim Pipersburgh, Department of Education Arthur W. Baker, Department of Juvenile Corrections

Executive Director

Dennis Seavers

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mr. LeHew called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. and conducted a roll call. The following members were present: Mike LeHew, Alvin Vasicek, Lisette Flores, Kim Pipersburgh, and Arthur W. Baker.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. LeHew made a call to the public. There were no members of the public present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Pipersburgh made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of September 24, 2004, and Mr. Vasicek seconded. The motion passed, 5-0.

REPORTS

Executive Director's report

Fiscal year 2005 Budget

Mr. Seavers provided the Board with a summary of fiscal year 2005 revenues and expenditures (attached). Mr. Seavers offered to answer any questions the Board had about its budget activity.

Mr. Vasicek asked whether the Board's carryover of funds between fiscal years would continue to grow. Mr. Seavers said that it could, or at least that the Board would have around \$400,000 in excess of its budgetary needs. Mr. LeHew noted that, as additional populations enter the fingerprint clearance card system, the need for additional personnel might affect the surplus of funds.

Fiscal year 2004 Strategic Plan

Mr. Seavers provided data for the Board's performance measures (attached). He indicated that the Board was altering its measures and collecting baseline data, largely because the Board's former performance measures were outdated.

Mr. Vasicek asked why some of the measures had third quarter data that varied significantly from the pervious quarters. Mr. Seavers said that the data represented applications received during the fiscal year. Since many of the applications received during the third quarter had not been closed, the third quarter data actually represented a relatively small population. He said that differences in the data thus were exaggerated because there were fewer applications accounted for in the data. Mr. Seavers said that he would start looking at the applications closed in a particular fiscal year, rather than applications received, in order to avoid having statistics that appear skewed. Mr. Vasicek agreed that the Board should look at data based on closed applications, since the third-quarter data as presented were not useful.

Legislation

Mr. Seavers said that he would provide the Board with a memorandum that described any legislation that had notable effects on the Board's operations. He noted that the only aspect of the budget bills that would affect the Board was the 1.7% general salary adjustment for all employees.

Mr. Seavers described House Bill 2091, which would add foster care and adoption providers to the fingerprint clearance card system. He expected a minimal impact on the Board's workload from the addition of House Bill 2091.

Media

Mr. Seavers offered to answer any questions that Board members might have about the television coverage by ABC Channel 15.

Chair's report

Electronic sharing of data between agencies

Mr. LeHew reported that his department planned to develop a system of receiving fingerprint clearance card application data from the Department of Public Safety that would be similar to the data retrieval system that the Department of Education currently uses. The system would be more automated and would reduce the amount of paperwork that the Department of Economic Security receives regarding clearance card applications. He described other benefits for the Board members and suggested that they discuss having a similar system at their own agencies. Mr. LeHew mentioned that ideally and ultimately there would be a centralized system of sharing data electronically, although several obstacles (such as cost and security) exist.

Training sessions provided by Messrs. LeHew and Seavers

Mr. LeHew announced that he and Mr. Seavers would be offering training to state employees, human service agencies, and other providers. The training would cover the fingerprint clearance card process, but it also would discuss the changes that House Bill 2091 would bring about for foster care and adoption services.

Employee pay raises

Mr. LeHew asked that the Board begin contemplating pay raises for its staff. He asked the members to confer with individuals at their agencies, if necessary. He said that he did not have any specific proposal in mind, but he wanted the Board to address the issue at a future meeting. Mr. LeHew also asked Mr. Seavers to update salary data and budget projections that Mr. Seavers provided to the Board members last year.

ELECTIONS

Mr. LeHew solicited nominations for the position of vice chair. Ms. Flores nominated Ms. Pipersburgh as vice chair, and Ms. Pipersburgh accepted the nomination. The Board elected Ms. Pipersburgh as vice chair by a vote of 4-0. (Mr. Baker had left the meeting at this point.)

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Pipersburgh made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Vasicek seconded. passed, 4-0. Mr. LeHew adjourned the meeting at 9:33 a.m.	The motion
Minutes approved on September 9, 2005	
Dennis Seavers, Executive Director	