

PROGRAM COMMITTEE NAME:		Panhandle Regional Law Enforcement Academy-Criminal Justice Programs Advisory Committee			
CHAIRPERSON:	Dale Davis			MEETING PLACE:	PRPC 3 rd Floor Conference Rm
MEETING DATE:	08/12/15	MEETING TIME:	12:00 noon	PREVIOUS MEETING:	05/13/15
RECORDER:	Sibbie Sams				
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List all members of the committee, then place an X in the box left of name if present					
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AGENDA ITEM		ACTION DISCUSSION INFORMATION			RESPONSIBILITY
		Meeting called to order			Dale Davis
New Business:		Approval of minutes			Dale Davis
Decisions:		Approved new member-Greg Daniel			

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KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	DISCUSSION
	<p>Dale Davis called the meeting to order at 12:20 pm. He introduced Greg Daniel, Commander of the Rick Husband International Airport Police Department, as a new member for the PRLA-CJP Advisory Committee. Dennis Rice made a motion to approve Greg Daniel, Bill McLean seconded the motion, and motion carried.</p> <p>Dale asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2015, meeting. Harry Hueston made a motion to approve the minutes, Carmen Napp seconded the motion, and motion carried.</p> <p>Dale announced Toni Gray had been appointed as the new Dean of Continuing Education at Amarillo College and Eric Wallace is the Interim Director of Criminal Justice. Toni will still be over Criminal Justice Programs and will continue to attend the Advisory Committee meetings.</p>
Education Report:	<p>Eric gave a follow up on the discussion of Vista College. After our last meeting, an instructor for Vista brought his Criminal Justice students to tour our department. Eric, Sondra, and Hank met with the instructor and nine CJ students. Hank covered information on the Basic Academy and Sondra went over the academic program.</p> <p>Vista students who complete a degree in Criminal Justice are not able to transfer their college credits nor will they be able to find jobs. Vista's advising does not screen out students who have a criminal history in their background, so these students are unable to find employment in the Criminal Justice field. Eric asked the visiting instructor if Vista College was planning to start a Basic Academy and the answer was no.</p> <p>Toni spoke a few minutes about her research on Vista.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Comparison of costs for a Criminal Justice AS degree between Vista and AC is \$36 to \$41,000 (Vista) and \$8 to \$9,000 (AC). This is why students at Vista max out of their Financial Aid funding and are unable to attend college anywhere else. 2. The Criminal Justice degree from Vista will NOT transfer. By State law, to teach college level CRIJ courses, an instructor must have a Master's degree with at least 18 hours of Criminal Justice. 3. Some degrees do transfer from Vista College, such as Paralegal and Nursing degrees. Lucinda Russell has reported DPS will accept the Vista College credit hours from their applicants. <p>The attraction of Vista is the fast turnaround. You can complete a course in 5 weeks instead of 16; this appeals to a lot of students. Toni plans to offer our Criminal Justice on-line courses in 8-week increments if she is able to hire another full-time faculty.</p> <p>There is no way to compete with Vista's marketing campaign; their advertisements are everywhere. Vista's registration process screens calls to find out if individuals qualify for Financial Aid. If they do, they are passed right on through registration. Vista College is ran as a business.</p>


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	With Vista having only nine Criminal Justice students, Eric is not worried about the impact on our enrollment numbers.
PRLEA Update:	<p>Hank gave Academy update:</p> <p>The 111th Academy has Patrol Procedures to finish this week, then Haz Mat, Emergency Communications, and Review. They will take their final on August 26 and graduate on the 27th. This class started with 25 recruits and will graduate with 22. We currently have 17 As and 5 Bs. During the graduation ceremony, we will add a personal pinning time at the end right after the class presentation and video. Hank will call all graduates to the front and the agencies and/or family members will come up to pin on the badge. If graduate does not have a badge, they will be pinned with the PRLEA lapel pin. Dale suggested the graduates line up by agency; this will make it a little less confusing.</p> <p>Hank has finished interviewing for the 112th Academy that starts in October. He just mailed out 19 packets with the L2 and L3 forms. Other applicants will receive their L2 & L3 forms when their file is complete. So far, we have only one PRPC sponsored applicant; he is from Childress County SO.</p> <p>Hank will start interviews for the 113th Academy on August 31; he currently has 6 interviews scheduled.</p> <p>Amarillo College Police Department handed down two patrol cars for us to use in "Police Driving" portion of the Academy. We now have seven vehicles (6 Ford Crown Vics and 1 Chevy Tahoe); Hank plans to retire one of the older cars.</p> <p>Hank announced a change for the TCOLE testing through AC. TCOLE testing will be held on Thursdays at 2:00 pm; you must call Monday to schedule testing on Thursday. This procedure does not include the group testing for the Basic Jail Schools. We will continue to schedule these tests by date and time as needed.</p> <p>In-Service Training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Basic Jail school has been scheduled in Childress from September 8 to 23 • TCOLE #3184 – Legislative Update will be scheduled after September 1 • New Supervisor #3737 is scheduled in September • TCOLE Basic Instructor course will be held in September • Field Training Officer is scheduled for October • CIT Refresher – TCOLE #3843 will be held in October • Intermediate Crime Scene Investigation will be held from October 12 to 22 with classes held in the evenings from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm • We have the Jail Intermediate courses scheduled in October • Hank will schedule at least one Intermediate core class per quarter and will have the mandated classes throughout

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	<p style="text-align: center;">the year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion was held on Canine Encounter training being added to TCOLE Basic Peace Officer curriculum – we should know for sure after the TCOLE Conference in October
Specialized Training:	<p>Eric gave updates on Specialized Training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canine Encounters is scheduled for Friday, August 14 – class is open - has room for more enrollment • Self-Aid/ Buddy-Aid for Patrol officers scheduled for August 17-19 is full (capped at 30 due to hands on training) will try to offer this class twice during each year • Marksmanship for the Female Shooter Pistol on August 20-21 is full • Tactical Shotgun on August 22 is still open for enrollment – will be excellent class – no charge – ammo is provided • Combat Thinking for Law Enforcement to be held on August 24 has over 100 enrolled but we have room for more • Police & Minority Relations is scheduled for August 26 – open for more enrollment – very timely topic – discussion held on media notification (pros & cons) – want to show law enforcement as pro-active • Partners in Law Enforcement CORE Leadership Course on August 27-28 is full (capped at 50) • Drug & Contraband Interdiction - MCTC class scheduled on September 14-16 – no charge – open for enrollment - capped at 44 • The Bridge - Sexual Assault Exams: What you should know – 3-hour training on September 22 (TCOLE credit) • Street Gangs in the Texas Panhandle taught by Steve Powers will be held on October 8 & 9 – one day class with options of attending on a Thursday or Friday • Child Abuse & Team Coordinated Investigations is scheduled for Tuesday, October 27 • “Winning Mind” presented by J.D. “Buck Savage” is set for October 27 - his wife will teach “Winning Mind for Women” on October 28 • A Sig Sauer Armorer Course is set in November <p>We have had additional PRPC funds to use this year because we changed the way we bill PRPC. The change has helped extend our funds so we are able to offer more training. We met with PRPC this week to work on our contract for next year.</p>
Intervention Programs:	<p>Intervention Programs dropped the Alcohol Seller in-class course due to low enrollment, but we still offer the online class. Schedules for fall will go out this week.</p>

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Academic Update:	<p>Sondra gave an update on academic enrollment. AC enrollment is down, but our programs are on the increase. As of today, we have 292 enrolled which is 44 over Fall 2014 and 53 above Spring 2015 totals. We would have 25 more if we count the Academy which will start in October.</p> <p>We are doing well in total majors with 620 declared majors in the CRIJ-AS degree that transfers to 4-year universities. The CJLE.AAS degree has a total of 420 majors and the defunct Forensic Science degree has 72 students. Sondra explained why the Forensic degree was closed.</p> <p>Toni is meeting with the Vice-President to get approval for Connie Haskins, our part-time faculty, to become full-time.</p>
Committee Roundtable:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethan St. Pierre, a former CJ instructor with Palo Duro High School and Committee member, has resigned because he changed jobs and moved to Ft. Worth. We do not plan to replace him at this time. • The PRPC Scholarship Interview board needs to be scheduled soon after Labor Day as the 112th Academy will start on October 6. • Will have our next meeting on January 20, 2016, (3rd Wednesday in January) since Calibre Press-Street Survival is set for January 12 & 13. <p>Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 pm.</p>
Signature: 	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Date: 10/08/15 Next Meeting: 01/20/16 </div>