



Hutchinson Island Conference Recap

The Florida Accreditation summer conference was graciously hosted by the hard working members of the following agencies: Martin County Sheriff's Office, St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office, Stuart Police Department, Port St. Lucie Police Department, and Ft. Pierce Police Department. The venue could not have been better. The Hutchinson Island Marriott Resort was a beautiful, waterfront hotel and conference center with an outstanding and attentive staff. The Florida Accreditation staff would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to FLA-PAC, the host agencies and all of the volunteers who made this conference one of the best!

On Wednesday, June 6, the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, Inc. reviewed and accredited three new agencies, and reaccredited twelve agencies. Ten Commissioners were in attendance including: Chair – Chief Chuck Rinehart, Vice Chair – Sheriff Jeff Dawsy, Sheriff Dean Kelly, Colonel Julie Jones, Chief Bill Hall, Judge Keith Cary, Sheriff Ken Mascara, Chief Peter Paulding, Commissioner Gary Wheeler, and Chief G. Curt Willocks.

We are very excited to announce the names of the three agencies receiving initial accreditation at this conference – the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Office of Agriculture Law Enforcement, Edgewood Police Department, and the Palm Springs Department of Public Safety. The twelve agencies receiving reaccredited status are: Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, Casselberry Police Department, Clearwater Police Department, Polk County Sheriff's Office, Mount Dora Police Department, Jupiter Police Department, Fort Lauderdale Police Department, Punta Gorda Police Department, North Miami Beach Police Department, Lee County Sheriff's Office, Lighthouse Point Police Department, and Charlotte County Sheriff's Office. Congratulations to all of these outstanding agencies for their hard work and success.

SRIC had a moderate agenda and was able to address each issue with careful review and resolution. The new Chair of this Committee, Commissioner Dean Kelly did a great job in moving the committee through the eight standards for discussion.

Other Commission business included a fabulous awards luncheon, made possible by FLA-PAC. Commissioner Dawsy did a wonderful job in emceeing the luncheon and making presentations. The 2006 winners are: Ms. Christine Goracke from Charlotte County Sheriff's Office for Accreditation Manager of the Year; and Sergeant Johnny Greenwood from the Putnam County Sheriff's Office for Assessor of the Year. Congratulations to both winners!

A significant change relating to joint assessments with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA©) was approved by the Commission. Effective immediately, CFA will no longer conduct assessments jointly with CALEA but will schedule the comparative compliance assessment visit either immediately before or after CALEA's assessment. The client will have the choice.

Finally, the Commission voted to accept new language in the Accreditation Agreement requiring the client to use the Accreditation Manager© web-based software. The annual fee for using this software is \$300.00. The new language is:

“6.5 The applicant agrees to use the proprietary Accreditation Manager© web-based software. Access will be granted by the Commission with the understanding that the Applicant shall pay an annual user's fee of \$300.”

The fall conference will be held October 30 – 31 at the Sheraton Orlando North. Please check our website for more information on training and conferences for the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, Inc. and the Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission. www.flaccreditation.org.

The Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission met on Tuesday, June 5, 2007. Its first order of business was to review and grant accredited status to the Pasco Sheriff's Office Pretrial Service Unit. The Pasco Sheriff's Office is the first agency to earn this award.

The Commission reviewed and awarded reaccredited status to the Taylor County Sheriff's Office Jail and the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division.

The Commission appointed two new Commissioners: Director Gordon Bass Jr. of the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and Major Patrick Tighe of the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office.

Executive Director Bogart reported that Commissioners Michael Tidwell and Commissioner Bob Seaman reach their term limits in February, 2008. The nominating committee is actively soliciting resumes of Command level jail persons to fill these positions. Chairperson Harvey invited anyone interested in becoming a commissioner to submit their resumes to Director Bogart who will provide them to the FCAC Nominating Committee.

The Commission adopted a “Conflict of Interest” policy.

The FCAC celebrated its second annual awards luncheon immediately following the Commission meeting. The luncheon, graciously hosted by the FLA-PAC, was outstanding and well attended. The 2006 winners are: Accreditation Manager of the Year -- Ms. Christine Goracke from the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office; Assessor of the Year – Sergeant Juliane Day from the Sumter County Sheriff's Office; and Distinguished Service Award – Manager David Scharf from the Broward County Sheriff's Office. Congratulations to these deserving recipients!

SRIC UPDATES

FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION

Commissioner Seaman (Acting Chairperson filling in for Commissioner Tidwell) reported the SRIC met on Monday afternoon (June 4th) and reviewed 14 submissions, which resulted in the following results/recommendations:

CORRECTIONS STANDARDS:

· 9.01 M – The standard statement is revised as follows: “Each inmate is provided a copy or provided access to the rules and regulations of the facility within 36 hours of entering the facility.” The following Assessor Guideline was added: “Assessors will closely examine the facility’s system for informing inmates of Rules and Regulations and verify all classifications of inmates are properly informed.” The second proof of compliance is amended as follows: “Inmate receipts of rules and regulations, or signed acknowledgments of understanding when an electronic access system is used.” A third proof of compliance was added “Inmate interviews.” (Sampling/Sampling).

· 10.04 M – The standard is revised as follows: “A written directive requires regular observation of inmates whose behavior presents a serious threat to the safety and security of the facility, staff, or general inmate population, by correctional officers / medical personnel either continuously or at intervals not to exceed 30 minutes. Logs or other appropriate documentation are maintained for each of these inmates.” The Assessor Guideline was amended to read: “Assessor will confirm compliance through staff interviews and by observing logs/reports in use in these housing areas.” The third Proof of Compliance is revised as follows: “Observation of areas housing these inmates.”

· 17.02M – After discussion, the proposed revision was withdrawn from consideration.

· 19.16 – The second Proof of Compliance is amended as follows: “Documentation demonstrating test completion and review by a responsible physician (Sampling/3 YD)”.

· 20.05M – The standard statement remains the same. Bullet “G” is modified as follows: “If an inmate refuses medication during incarceration, or at the time of transfer or release, the word “Refused” is written in the appropriate location on the medication log, or on the appropriate refusal of medication form approved by the Health Authority; and” The proofs of compliance remain the same.

· 20.09 – The standard in its entirety is deleted. The requirements of the standard are incorporated into Bullet G of Standard 20.05M.

PRETRIAL RELATED STANDARDS:

· 1.05 M – The standard statement is revised as follows: “A written directive requires a background investigation is conducted on applicants selected for non-sworn positions. Employees who are selected shall not have been convicted of any felony, or any misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. The investigation includes at a minimum.” The bullets remain the same. A Proof of Compliance is added as follows: “Written directive addressing elements of the standard. (1/1)”

· 1.07 M – The standard statement is revised as follows: “A directive requires that, prior to assuming job responsibilities, newly appointed pretrial professionals receive training in the following areas.” The bullets and the Proofs of Compliance remain the same.

· 1.08 M – The standard statement is revised as follows: “A written directive requires employees with pretrial responsibilities receive a

minimum of 40 hours of annual job related training as determined by the agency.” The Proofs of Compliance remain the same.

· 2.13 – After discussion, this standard revision was withdrawn pending further work by staff.

· Definition - Trend Analysis is defined as “The process of analyzing data to identify underlying longer-term trends; e.g. failure patterns. The concept of collecting information and attempting to spot a pattern, or trend, in the information.”

· 2.17M – A third Proof of Compliance is added as follows: “Staff member interviews. (Sampling/Sampling)” (It was determined this change is an administrative issue and does not require a vote.)

· 3.02M – The quantity for the second Proof of Compliance “Completed investigation” is amended to (1/1) (It was determined this change is an administrative issue and does not require a vote.)

· 3.02 M and 3.04 M -- After discussion, the proposed revisions to these Standards were withdrawn pending further research by a pretrial subcommittee.

· 5.04 M – The standard statement is revised as follows: “A written directive requires the agency maintain original supervision agreements on file in accordance with Florida law, and provide a copy to the defendants.” A second Proof of Compliance is added as follows: “Records retention schedule. (1/1)”

COMMISSION FOR FLORIDA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCREDITATION

The CFA Standards Review and Interpretations Committee met on June 5, 2007 and provided recommended changes to the Commission. Agencies have one year to come into compliance with changed or amended standards. The Commission approved the following changes:

7.01 – deleted bullet B

7.02M – excluded Confidential Funds from the standard requirement, as they are addressed in 7.06M

17.02 – added the phrase “except for patrol/traffic motorcycles” to bullet B

17.12 – added the phrase “to include weight and presumptive testing” to bullet A, deleted the Accreditation Manager note from the Compliance Key that states “Documented issuance/disposition of agency issued narcotics.”

Chapter 20 – clarified comparative compliance standards: 20.01M, Bullets C, D, E, G, J, K and Q; 20.03M, Bullets A and B; 20.04M; 20.05M, Bullets B, C, D and F

36.02M – rewritten:

A directive states that property custodians are accountable for all property within their control, and addresses the following, at a minimum:

A. An annual audit of the property function is conducted by a member not routinely or directly connected with control of property;

B. An unannounced annual inspection of property storage areas is conducted as directed by the agency’s CEO; and

C. An annual inventory of property is conducted by the property custodian and a designee of the CEO.

36.10 – new standard:

A directive requires an inventory is conducted whenever the person responsible for the property and evidence control function is assigned to and/or transferred from the position.

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Know Your COMMISSIONERS



Curt Willocks has been the Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police in Gulfport since January of 1991. In that time, Gulfport Police Department has evolved to a “service oriented” small town police force facing the same challenges as neighboring larger cities and communities. Gulfport Police Department was initially accredited in 2000 and re-accredited in 2003 and 2006, becoming the smallest agency in Pinellas County to achieve Florida

Accreditation. Chief Willocks attributes the positive relationships the Police Department has with the citizens to the hard work, dedication and professionalism of the line officers who deliver the service.

Previously Chief Willocks had served 20 years with the Boca Raton Police Department, retiring as Deputy Chief of Police.

Chief Willocks holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from Florida Atlantic University, is a graduate of the FBI Academy, DEA Academy, Senior Management Institute for Police, Florida Chief Executive Institute and the Secret Service Academy on Dignitary Protection.

Chief Willocks is a past president of the Tampa Bay Area Chief’s of Police Association and currently serves on the Board of Directors. He is a past chairman of the Pinellas County Police Standards Council and past Director with the Florida Police Chief’s Association. He serves on the Policy Board for the Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute.

Susan Burdette graduated with a B.A. in Criminal Justice in 1977 from Florida Technological University (now the University of Central Florida). Following a career start as one of only a few women in the Security Department at Walt Disney World, she joined the staff of Orange County Corrections in 1979. She has been employed with Orange County Corrections



for 28 years, serving as a Pretrial Diversion officer, a Pretrial Diversion supervisor and Probation supervisor. Currently she is the supervisor of Orange County Pretrial Services. She is a past Chapter President of the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency (FCCD) and a past recipient of the Louie L. Wainwright Award. She is currently a member of several professional organizations, including the FCCD, the Association of Pretrial Professionals of Florida (APPF), the Florida Association of Community Corrections (FACC) and the National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies (NAPSA). Over the past few years she has been instrumental in the expansion of Orange County Correction’s Pretrial Services Unit into a 24/7 operation vital to the operation of the in-jail first appearance process, which included a move into the new Booking and Release Center.



2007 COMMISSIONERS



COMMISSION FOR FLORIDA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCREDITATION

- Chief Chuck Rinehart, Chairperson - Punta Gorda Police Department
- Sheriff Jeffrey Dawsy, Vice-Chairperson - Citrus County
- Sheriff Larry Campbell - Leon County
- Judge Keith Cary - Twentieth Judicial Circuit of Florida
- Chief William Hall - South Daytona Police Department
- Colonel Julie Jones - Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Sheriff Dean Kelly - Putnam County
- Sheriff Ken J. Mascara - St. Lucie County
- Chief Peter Paulding - Gulf Breeze Police Department
- Dr. Jack Schluckebier - City of Melbourne
- Commissioner Gary Wheeler - Indian River County Commission
- Chief Curt Willocks - Gulfport Police Department

FLORIDA CORRECTIONS ACCREDITATION COMMISSION

- Sheriff David F. Harvey, Chairperson - Wakulla County
- Sheriff John D. Davenport, Vice-Chairperson - Charlotte County
- Pretrial Services Supervisor Susan Burdette - Orange County
- Pretrial Services Supervisor Jeff Kilpatrick - Alachua County
- Sheriff Ron McNesby - Escambia County
- Sheriff Tommy Seagraves - Nassau County
- Major Robert Seaman - Martin County Sheriff’s Office
- Major Greg Smith - Collier County Sheriff’s Office
- Major Michael A. Tidwell - Seminole County Sheriff’s Office
- Major Tammy Waldrop - Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office
- Major Patrick Tighe - St. Lucie County Sheriff’s Office
- Director Gordon A. Bass - Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office

Welcome

NEW FCAC COMMISSIONERS



Major Patrick Tighe
St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office

Director Gordon Bass
Jacksonville Sheriff's Office



Upcoming Accreditation Conferences

October 29 - November 2, 2007
Sheraton Orlando North • Maitland, FL
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February 18 - 22, 2008
Bellevue Biltmore Resort • Clearwater, FL
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Florida Sheriffs' Assoc. President, Larry Campbell (Leon County) presents Resolution to CFA vice-chair, Sheriff Jeff Dawsy (Citrus County) at the summer FSA conference in Ponte Vedra Beach. (photo courtesy of Julie Bettinger)

CFA Honored by FPCA and FSA

The Florida Police Chiefs' Association and the Florida Sheriffs' Association met for their Summer Conferences in Jacksonville and Ponte Vedra Beach, respectively. During opening ceremonies on Monday, June 25, the FPCA President, Chief Nolan McLeod presented a resolution of support and recognition to CFA Commission Chair, Chief Chuck Rinehart (Punta Gorda Police Dept.). The FSA President, Sheriff Larry Campbell (Leon County) presented the CFA Vice-Chair, Sheriff Jeff Dawsy a similar resolution of support during FSA's opening meeting on July 30. The Commission and Staff of CFA are honored and grateful to receive these recognitions of continued support from the two 1994 founding organizations. The Resolutions have places of honor in the new offices of Florida Accreditation.

Congratulations to The Agencies Accredited and Reaccredited at the Hutchinson Island Conference!



Agricultural Law Enforcement
(Initial Accreditation)



Edgewood Police Department
(Initial Accreditation)



Palm Springs Public Safety
(Initial Accreditation)



Pasco County Sheriff's Office Pretrial Services
(Initial Accreditation)

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- Clearwater Police Department
- Polk County Sheriff's Office
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- North Miami Beach Police Department
- Lee County Sheriff's Office

- Lighthouse Point Police Department
- Charlotte County Sheriff's Office
- Taylor County Sheriff's Office
- St. John's County Sheriff's Office

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