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**MINUTES**  
**Board Meeting**  
**Friday, March 2, 2018**

The Alabama Security Regulatory Board met on Friday, March 2, 2018, at its office located at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, to conduct business. The following Board members were in attendance: Mr. Kevin Murphy (Chair), Ms. Stephanie Ortel (Vice Chair), Mr. Burke Swearingen (member), Ms. Debra Davis (member) and Sheriff Ben Bates (member). Also in attendance were Mr. Randy Barrows (Administrator), Mr. Cameron McEwen (General Counsel), Ms. Jennifer Love, Legal Assistant, and Ms. Renee' Reames (Executive Secretary to Mr. Warren and serving as recording secretary). The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m. by Mr. Murphy, Board Chair.

The meeting was advertised on the Board's web site, [www.asrb.alabama.gov](http://www.asrb.alabama.gov), and the Secretary of State's website, [www.sos.alabama.gov](http://www.sos.alabama.gov), in accordance with requirements of the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

The minutes from the January 4, 2018 called meeting and the January 25, 2018 called meeting were presented for the Board's approval. Copies of the minutes were provided to the Board members prior to the meeting for their review. Ms. Ortel made a motion to approve the January 4, 2018 and January 25, 2018 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Davis and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Barrows presented the Executive Director's Report (report on file in the official Book of Minutes), which included financial information for FY 2018 as of January 31, 2018. He also reported on the total number of active licensees, the number of company inspections conducted and the number of consumer complaints received in FY 2018.

Mr. Barrows also presented the Administrator's Report on activities performed by staff since the last Board meeting (report on file in the official Book of Minutes).

Ms. Ortel made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Davis and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. McEwen reported that he had no new business to presented for the Legal Counsel's Report.

Mr. McEwen presented a legislative update concerning a licensure exemption being considered by the Legislature for retired peace officers. The Board discussed the current

training requirements for licensure and the proposed exemption by the Legislature. The Board was in favor of the retired peace officers keeping current their APOST training. The Board further discussed the difference in training when reacting to situations as a trained peace officer vs. the training for the security guards, and an 8-hour transition course was discussed by the Board. Various Board members indicated that they would meet with members of the Legislature and law enforcement leaders to discuss the matter further as it pertained to legislative changes.

Ms. Davis, chair of the Board's Training Standards Committee, reported that the training components had been assigned to Committee members, who were to make recommendations to the Committee and later presented to the Board for approval.

Mr. McEwen presented proposed changes to Rule 832-X-1-.08 Firearms: Qualification Attempt. The Board reviewed the additions in clarifying the type of firearm used in firearm courses, the increased number of hours of firearm training to 16 hours and clarification about 8 hours in classroom training. The Board agreed that item (1)(b) remain in the Rules pending further changes in the statute that were under consideration by the Legislature.

Mr. McEwen also presented proposed changes to Rule 832-X-1-.14 Discipline of a License. The Board reviewed the addition to the Rule, item (2)(l) regarding a licensee's mental and physical impairments due to illicit substances, "Having been found mentally or physically impaired on the job while under the influence of alcohol, drugs or other substance that causes mental and physical impairment." The Board discussed the role of the company/employer in verifying the employee's impairment based on the recommended change in the Board's Rules.

Ms. Ortel made the motion to approve the changes as presented and modified concerning Rule 832-X-1-.08 and Rule 832-X-1-.14 (copy on file in Official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. Swearingen and unanimously approved by the Board. Mr. Barrows indicated that Mr. Warren would prepare the amended Rules for publication and public comment.

Mr. Barrows also reported that the Board recently underwent an audit by the Alabama Examiners of Public Accounts and there were no significant findings. He reported that the Board was scheduled to meet with the Sunset Committee on June 21, 2018, as part of this process. The Board discussed having a Board meeting on June 21, 2018 rather than meeting on May 10, 2018. Ms. Ortel made the motion for the Board to meet at a convenient time on June 21, 2018 to coincide with the Sunset Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Sheriff Bates and unanimously approved. Some members indicated a possible conflict in schedules.

Mr. Murphy called for comments from the guests attending the Board meeting. Mr. Greg Donahue, with Security Engineers, commented on the Board's discussion about training and retired peace officers, and explained that his company does not exempt anyone from training. He explained the necessity in training about the company/employer procedures, role of a security guard and the position they are assigned.

There were no further comments from the floor nor further business of the Board, and Mr. Swearingen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Davis and unanimously approved by the Board. Mr. Murphy adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kevin Murphy  
*Chair*



Keith E. Warren  
*Executive Director*

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