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Law Enforcement Training Center Joint Board		
Meeting Minutes: January 5, 2023	Location: Wichita/Sedgwick County Law Enforcement Training Center, 4319 E 19th St. N, Wichita, KS 67208	Prepared by: Zoe Sisco Management Intern
Attendance		
Voting Members (three is a quorum)	Voting Designees	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sheriff Jeff Easter, Sedgwick County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Colonel Greg Pollock, Sedgwick County	
<input type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police Joe Sullivan, City of Wichita	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chief Paul Duff, City of Wichita	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commissioner Jim Howell, Sedgwick County	<input type="checkbox"/> Commissioner David Dennis, Sedgwick County	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mayor Brandon Whipple, City of Wichita	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice Mayor Brandon Johnson, City of Wichita	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Andra Bannister, (Chair) Wichita State University	<input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Michael Birzer, Wichita State University	
Other attendees:	Tania Cole (Sedgwick County), Rusty Leeds (Sedgwick County), Justin Waggoner (Sedgwick County), Elora Forshee (Sedgwick County 911), Zoe Sisco (Sedgwick County), Steve Olsen (Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office), James Bohannon (Wichita Police Department) Stacia Boden (Wichita State University), Eason Bryer (Wichita State University), Crystal Stegeman (Wichita State University)	

Sheriff Jeff Easter called the January 5, 2023 meeting to order at 3:00 PM. A quorum was present by the end of the meeting.

I. Approval of Minutes

Crystal Stegeman, Wichita State University Property Manager recommended a correction to the meeting minutes from January 5, 2022 prior to the meeting, and adjustments were made before the meeting was brought to order. These corrections included some verbiage changes in the section pertaining to the building lease dates under new business.

Sheriff Jeff Easter, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office made a motion to approve the corrected meeting minutes from January 5, 2022. The approval of the minutes passed 3-0.

II. Old Business

A. Agreement and Renewals: Operating Expenses after Initial Period

Rusty Leeds, Sedgwick County shared with the board that the initial period was to end in January 2023, and per the agreement, the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County were to split operating costs moving forward. Wichita State University will pay a proportional amount based on occupied square feet of the building, and



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the remaining costs will be split evenly amongst the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County.

These costs will include building maintenance, utilities, and exterior maintenance, which costs roughly \$120,000 per year. Sedgwick County will assume all initial costs, to be paid quarterly, and will bill City of Wichita for their portion of the paid amount.

B. Parking: Designated and Additional Parking; Special Event Parking

During the 2022 meeting, former Chief of Police Gordon Ramsay had mentioned his concerns regarding the lack of parking as a result of the ongoing construction taking place at Wichita State University.

Rusty Leeds, Sedgwick County shared that per the agreement, WSIA was to construct no less than 200 parking spaces for use by the LETC. Stacia Boden, Wichita State University mentioned that in addition to the parking lot directly in front of the LETC, there is also a 100-car lot directly across the street. Both lots are available a majority of the time, with the exception of special events days. Stacia also mentioned that while no further construction is planned for that area, but if either lot becomes obstructed, they will follow the agreement and make another lot available within walking distance of the LETC.

III. New Business –

A. Updates from the Sheriff and Police Department training commanders on activities and building usage.

James Bohannon, Wichita Police Department, mentioned that in 2022 the Police Department has trained 47 new recruits among 2 classes. In addition to the academy classes, they have also offered 82 in-service training days. Paul Duff, Wichita Police Department also mentioned that as of this year, the academy will be extended by 2 weeks, making it 26 weeks total.

Steve Olsen, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office, stated that had 7 classes throughout 2022, ranging from 7 to 16 deputies in each class. There were also 2 commission classes held at the LETC, and that throughout the year the classrooms were being used daily for a variety of purposes. Steve mentioned that while they were overall very pleased with the facility, additional gym space may be needed as the classes continue to grow.

B. Updates from Sedgwick County Emergency Communications activities and building usage.

Elora Forshee, Sedgwick County Emergency Communications, mentioned that they had 18 academy classes in 2022. She also stated that in 2023, the Sedgwick



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County 911 facility will be undergoing renovations. During this time, they will be temporarily moving operations to the backup space at Wichita State University. Elora stated that while an official calendar has not been developed for these renovations, she will make the group aware when the plans have been finalized.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 5, 2024

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:54 PM.