

Office of Professional Regulation
BOARD OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATIVE & SECURITY SERVICES
MINUTES
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2008

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Robert Edwards, Chair; James Eckhardt, vice chair; Michael Jennings, Board member; and Stacey Nelson. Absent, Elizabeth Gilligan, Public member.

OPR Staff present: Patty Skinner, Administrative Assistant and Carla Preston, Unit Administrator.

Others present: Joseph Arwady and Guy LaPlant from U. S. Security Associates, Inc.

2. The Minutes from the August 19th, 2008 meeting were reviewed and approved by the Board.

3. **Hearings/Stipulations**

4. **Complaints/Follow-up cases**

5. **Legislation/Rulemaking – N/A**

6. **Applications Reviewed/Discussed**

- a. Amanda Bluto – Unarmed Security Guard with Green Mountain Concert Services. Based on the information provided, Mr. Eckhardt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jennings, to request a personal appearance at the November meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Robert A. Barber – Unarmed Security Guard with The Wackenhut Corp. Based on the information provided, Mr. Eckhardt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jennings, to request a personal appearance at the November meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. Elizabeth Archambault – Unarmed Security Guard with Censor Security. Based on the information provided, Mr. Jennings made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nelson, to approve Ms. Archambault for registration. Mr. Eckhardt recused from voting. Motion passed.
- d. Patrick Beck – Resume to be an instructor for The Wackenhut Corps. 40 hour basic training program. Based on the information provided, Mr. Eckhardt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jennings, to request a personal

appearance to clarify Mr. Beck's background as a trainer. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Follow Ups – N/A

8. Correspondence

9. Budget Review

10. Other Business

- a. The draft of the invitation letter to companies with a training program was reviewed and changes made.
- b. Election of officers resulted in the following:
 - Robert Edwards – Chair
 - James Eckhardt – Vice Chair
 - Michael Jennings – Secretary
- c. U.S. Security Associates, Inc., represented by Mr. Arwady and Mr. LaPlant, showed an overview of what their computer based training would be like. The consensus of the Board was that they would like to see some of the other training programs before making a final decision.
- d. Mr. Jennings gave an overview of his conversation with Max Schlueter from the Dept. of Public Safety regarding live scan. He stated that all fingerprints do not have to be done by live scan however; there is only approximately 5% rejection rate with the live scan, whereas with the cards the percentage is much larger.

To answer the Board's question regarding individuals having live scan, the department would be against this, as they would have to start issuing licenses for this to happen. Mr. Schlueter did state that he would not object to a state agency having a live scan machine.

It was also mentioned that if there is a problem having prints done at a criminal justice agency that does have a live scan machine, that this should be reported, so the machine could be moved to another agency that would be able to use it effectively.

11. Public Comments

12. Number of Open Cases – At the time of this meeting, there were 16 open cases.

13. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35.