



Santa Ana College — Criminal Justice Academies

CTE Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: September 17, 2025

Time: 9:30 AM

Location: Orange County Sheriff's Regional Training Academy, Tustin, CA

Chair: Assist. Professor Timothy Vu

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at **9:30 AM**. Members were welcomed, and the purpose of the advisory committee was reviewed — to align Criminal Justice Academy training with workforce and CTE pathways.

2. Attendance

A quorum was established.

Advisory Committee Members Present:

Name	Agency	Rank/Title
Tracy McKenzie	Newport Beach Police Dept.	Sergeant
John Spolstra	Huntington Beach Police Dept.	Sergeant
Timothy Vu	Santa Ana College – CJA	Assist. Professor
Shawn Randell	Huntington Beach Police Dept.	Lieutenant
Ryan Reilly	Huntington Beach Police Dept.	Captain
Ernie Gomez	Santa Ana College – CJA	Associate Dean
Mike Lovchik	Buena Park Police Dept.	Training Manager

Name	Agency	Rank/Title
Chris Hendrix	Seal Beach Police Dept.	Lieutenant
Rod Duckwitz	Anaheim Police Dept.	Captain
Adam Jevic	Orange Police Dept.	Chief of Police
Sean Thuilliez	Tustin Police Dept.	Chief of Police
Paul Beckman	Orange County DA Office	Supervising Investigator
Stephen Garcia	Orange County DA Office	Investigator
Carla Lopez	Santa Ana College	Faculty
Sandra Barragan	CNOA	Training Assistant
Cornelius Ungureanu	Orange Police Dept.	Officer
Alexis Corral	Irvine Police Dept.	Training Coordinator
Joshua Thrasher	Irvine Police Dept.	Training Sergeant
Henry Hsu	Fountain Valley Police Dept.	Sergeant
Gail Evertsen	Placentia Police Dept.	Training
Rich Siemensma	Orange County Sheriff's Dept.	Captain
Justin Barba	Orange County Sheriff's Dept.	Sergeant
Carissa Rocha	Orange County District Attorney's Office	Training Assistant
Mark Van DeKreeke	Orange County Sheriff's Dept.	Sergeant
Mark Anderson	Irvine Police Dept.	Commander
Daniel Hall	Irvine Police Dept.	Lieutenant
Julie Schall	Costa Mesa Police Dept.	Training Assistant

Name	Agency	Rank/Title
Ken Tu	Costa Mesa Police Dept.	Training Officer
Matt Valerius	Santa Ana College	Acting Dean
Lucas Darland	Santa Ana College - CJA	Faculty
Lisa Herman	Santa Ana College – CJA	Administrative
Cori Moon	Orange County Sheriff’s Dept.	Training Assistant
Martin Olivera	Santa Ana College – CJA	Administrative
Nigel Leos	Santa Ana College	Counselor
Emilie Padilla	Orange County District Attorney’s Office	Staff Development Specialist
Nicol Saiz	Los Alamitos Police Dept.	Training Coordinator

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3. Approval of Agenda & Prior Minutes

- **Motion:** Approve agenda as presented.
 - **Result:** Carried unanimously.

4. Program Review

- **Basic Law Enforcement Academy (CJA-099A):** POST updates reviewed, including new **LD 44 Active Shooter training** requirements.
 - **Certificates of Achievement:** Discussion focused on **stackable academic pathways** aligned with POST coursework (academy → supervision → management).
 - **Credit for Prior Learning (CPL):** Recognition of academy and field training toward college credit.
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5. New Training Courses

Committee reviewed new and upcoming courses:

- **Impaired Driving Enforcement Pathway:** 24-hour DUI, 16-hour ARIDE, 72-hour DRE, 24-hour Field Certification.
- **Crisis Intervention Training (CJA 042E).**
- **Science-Based Investigations (SBI).**
- **Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute (SLI).**
- **POST Management Modules A, Module B and Module C.**

Motion: Approve new CJA course offerings.

- **Moved by:** Sgt. Tracy McKenzie
 - **Seconded by:** Chief Adam Javec
 - **Result:** Carried unanimously.
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6. New Certificates of Achievement

Proposed Certificates:

- Basic Law Enforcement Academy
- Crisis Intervention for Law Enforcement
- Advanced Impaired Driving Enforcement
- Public Safety Supervision
- Public Safety Management
- Public Safety Supervisory Leadership

Motion: Approve Certificates of Achievement.

- **Motioned by:** Sgt. Tracy McKenzie
 - **Seconded by:** Chief Adam Javec
 - **Result:** Carried unanimously.
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7. Bachelor of Science in Public Safety Management Proposal

- **Target Launch:** Fall 2027.
- **Model:** Adapted from San Diego Miramar College's BS program.
- **Audience:** Sworn and non-sworn staff across police, corrections, dispatch, emergency services, and military.
- **Delivery:** Hybrid (in-person + online).
- **Cost:** More affordable than CSU/UC.
- **Curriculum:** Strategic planning, public sector budgeting, crisis management, ethics, and technology.
- **Workforce Need:** Supports succession planning, retention, and leadership development.

Motion: Approve BS in Public Safety Management development.

- **Motioned by:** Sgt. Tracy McKenzie
 - **Seconded by:** Chief Adam Javec
 - **Result:** Carried unanimously.
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8. Requests for Support

Committee endorsed obtaining **OCTMA and OCCPSA letters of support** to strengthen submissions for new Certificates and BS program.

Motion: Approve request for support letters.

- **Moved by:** Tracy McKenzie
 - **Seconded by:** Lt. Chris Hendrix
 - **Result:** Carried unanimously.
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9. Other Business

- **Technology Integration:** Discussion included real-time crime centers, drone use, robotics, and new technology for policing.

- **Regional Collaboration:** Smaller agencies were encouraged to collaborate on shared training opportunities.
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10. Public Comment

No public comments received.

11. Next Meeting

Scheduled for **Spring 2026** (date TBD).

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at **[TBD — time not specified in transcript]**.

Motions Summary

1. Agenda approved.
 2. New training courses approved (McKenzie/Javec).
 3. New Certificates approved (McKenzie/Javec).
 4. BS in Public Safety Management approved. (McKenzie/Javec)
 5. Request for OCTMA/COPSA support letters approved (McKenzie/Hendrix).
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Attachments

- Agenda (9/17/2025)
 - Sign-in Sheet with Members
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Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

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1. Call to Order

- A. Welcome and introductions
- B. Purpose of meeting

2. Program Review

- A. Update on Basic Law Enforcement Academy (CJA-099A)
- B. Certificates of Achievement for Academy Completion
- C. Recent curriculum updates (e.g., LD 44 Active Shooter training)

3. New Courses for Approval

- A. Science-Based Investigation (SBI) – 40-hour POST-approved course
- B. Crisis Intervention Training (CJA 042E) – Advanced de-escalation and crisis response
- C. Impaired Driving Recognition Courses – DUI Detection, ARIDE, DRE, and Field Certification
- D. Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute (SLI) – Blocks 1-8 supervisory leadership
- E. POST Management Modules A, B, C – Mid-management and command-level leadership development
- F. Motion Requested: Approve proposed new Criminal Justice Academy courses.

4. New Certificates of Achievement

- A. Basic Law Enforcement Academy Certificate of Achievement
- B. Crisis Intervention for Law Enforcement
- C. Advanced Impaired Driving Enforcement
- D. Public Safety Supervision Certificate of Achievement
- E. Public Safety Management Certificate of Achievement
- F. Public Safety Supervisory Leadership Certificate of Achievement
- G. Motion Requested: Approve new Certificates of Achievement offerings.

6. New Program Proposal

- A. Bachelor of Science in Public Safety Management
- B. Program overview, structure, and progressive pathway
- C. Benefits for workforce and regional public safety agencies

- D. Motion Requested: Approve proposed BS in Public Safety Management degree.

6. Request for Support

- A. Request OCTMA letter of support for Certificates of Achievement and BS in Public Safety Management program.
- B. Motion Requested: Approve Advisory Committee recommendation to request OCTMA support letter.

7. Other Business / Partnership Opportunities

- A. UAS (Drone) training partnerships and funding opportunities
- B. Community/employer partnerships updates

8. Public Comments (if applicable)

9. Next Meeting

- A. Proposed date/time/location

10. Adjournment

Santa Ana College Criminal Justice Academies (CJA) Advisory Meeting September 17, 2025 at 9:30 AM

Name	Agency	Rank/Title	Phone	Email
1. Tracy McKenzie	NBPA	SST		
2. John Gorm	HBPA	SST		
3. Chris Gorm	GUC	Director		
4. Shawn Kade	HBPA	LT		
5. Ryan Peiray	HBPA	LT		
6. SRATE Gorm	SAC / CSU	AD		
7. Mike Korm	BPB	Trk-mn		
8. Chas Hendon	SBPD	LT		
9. Rod Duckworth	Annelin	Captain		
10. Adam Jones	ORANGE	Chief		
11. Sean Thutler	TUSTIN	Chief		
12. Paul Beckman	OCDA	Supervisor Inv		
13. STEVEN GARRA	OCDA	Investigator		
14. ARLA LOPEZ	SAC/CTA	Facility		
15. Sandra Barragan	CNOA	Training Asst.		
16. Carlos Contreras	OPD	Officer		
17. Alex Corral	IPD	Training Coordinator		
18. Joshua Thutler	IPD	Training Asst.		
19. Henry Hsu	FVPD	Sergeant		
20. Gail Everson	Placentia PD	Training Asst.		
21. Rich Slemens	OCSD	Captain		
22. Justin Barba	OCSP	Sgt		



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2. MARK VAN DERKREEK	CCSN	STEELEANT		
3. MARK HENDERSON	PD	Commander		
4. DAWNA HALL	IPD	Lieutenant		
5. Julie Schell	Costa Mesa PD	Training Asst		
6. Ken Tu	CONPD	TRAINING Asst		
7. Matt Valerius	SAC	Acting Dean		
8. LOUAS DAREND	LASD	LT		
9. Lisa Heamed	SAC	Admin		
10. GRI MOON	DCSD	TRAINING Asst		
11. Olivera MONTI	SAC	Admin		
12. VICTOR LEO S	SAC	Counselor		
13. Emille Padilla	CCDA	STAFF DevSpec		
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