

**RILEY COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
SPECIAL LAW BOARD MEETING
KSU Research Foundation
2005 Research Park Drive
Manhattan, KS
August 21, 2019 12:00 p.m.
Minutes**

Members Present: Mike Dodson Linda Morse
Marvin Rodriguez BeEtta Stoney
Robert Ward Barry Wilkerson (left at 2:30 p.m.)

Absent: Craig Beardsley

Staff Present: Director Dennis Butler

Recorder: Nichole Glessner

- I. **Establish Quorum:** By Chairman Dodson at 12:00 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Flags were not present at the facility for attendees to recite the pledge of allegiance.

II. **General Agenda:**

A. **Future Planning:** Mr. John Divine, Owner and Consultant of The Leadership Firm out of Salina, Kansas, introduced himself to the members of the Riley County Law Enforcement Agency (Law Board). He informed members of the public who were in attendance that they may observe, but would not be permitted to comment and ask questions during the meeting.

Mr. Divine facilitated discussions by asking questions related to the role of the Law Board and their vision for the community and the Riley County Police Department (RCPD). The board discussed in great length their strategic priorities; what the board needs to focus on to achieve their vision, as well as action planning for those strategic priorities.

The meeting recessed at 1:35 p.m. and then reconvened at 1:40 p.m.

Discussion focused on board member's perceived goals for the RCPD, Law Board and community which include, but are not limited to:

- Increase Law Board knowledge of RCPD policies and procedures
- Formulate and eventually adopt written procedures for the Law Board, to include a mission and goals
- Enhance community policing strategies and efforts
- Continue to focus on improving police-community and other entity communications/relationships
- Identify community priorities which may include the formation of a specialized sexual assault unit

- Improve workplace diversity
- Evaluate the needs and resources of the RCPD to determine there is a need to increase office and/or training space in the future

Mr. Divine thanked the board for a very thorough discussion and for taking time out of their schedules to meet.

B. Adjournment: The August 21, 2019 Special Law Board Meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m.