Date: August 20, 2015
Scheduled Time: 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Location: CATPA Offices
710 Kipling Street; Suite 106
Lakewood, CO 80215
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**Attending Board Members**
- ☒ Jerry Cole, Chair Person
- ☒ Tonia Rumer, Vice Chair Person
- ☐ Ron Kammerzell, DOR
- ☒ LTC Brenda Leffler, CDPS
- ☐ Chief Kevin Paletta, Law Enforcement
- ☐ Jess Redman, District Attorney Rep.
- ☒ Sheriff Steve Nowlin, Law Enforcement

**Attending CATPA Office Staff**
- ☒ Robert Force, Director
- ☒ Charla Phagan, Office Manager
- ☐ Vacant, Grant Manager

**Call to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m.; although a quorum was not present.

**Agenda Amendments**
There were no amendments made to the agenda.

**Public Comment**
No public in attendance.

**Standing Business**

*Minutes/Budget Reports* This item tabled. An electronic vote will be held so the minutes can be published.

- Robert Force provided a briefing of the August Operating Budget Report to the Board. An electronic vote will be held for approval of the August 20, 2015 Operating Budget Report.
- Robert Force provided a briefing of the August Grant Budget Report to the Board. An electronic vote will be held for approval of the August 20, 2015 Grant Budget Report.

Sheriff Nowlin asked questions about the effectiveness of the AG’s program. Director Force agreed that things have not always gone well, and shared the new direction the program has taken in order to get more buy in from local District Attorneys. At this time a program is being initiated in the metro area with hopes of expanding to the entire state. Sheriff Nowlin asked for additional information. A copy of the AG’s grant will be sent to Sheriff Nowlin for review.

It was suggested that since the CDAC and CATI conventions are no longer at the same time; try to get some DA’s to attend the CATI conference. Another suggestion was to initiate contact with Eva Wilson (a former CATPA Board member) to see if we could get her help in promoting participation by the DA’s. It was also brought to light that there are actually two associations that we need to enlist: CDAC and Denver DA’s Association. Offering a breakout session with the AG’s office for prosecutors and or a panel
session at the CATI conference could make a difference as well as opening up a portion of the sponsorships to local DA’s offices for prosecutors to attend.

**Grantee Updates**

Director Force shared some articles of relevance with the Board.

- **Denver PD** – a story aired on FOX31 where DPD acknowledged a spike of Honda thefts particularly in District 6. As a result, DPD is offering free club devices to qualified Honda owners in District 6 as a preventative measure.

- **Co Springs PD**- CSPD is trying to be proactive and sent out a press release. Staffing needs to be held before releases go out to make sure the messaging is correct and clear. They don’t talk about what is being done about the trend. More communication between CAAT, CATPA and PIO’s is needed.

- **BATTLE**- shared bulletin

**CAAT**- Launched on-going campaign with statewide paid media exposure; funds were spent as follows: TV $62,942, radio $2,894, Pandora $64,707 and Hulu $29,413. There was a cost savings in the production of the TV spots as CAAT shared location and production with another Colorado agency. Carole played TV and radio spots for the Board.

**Director’s Briefings/Reports**

**IAATI Conference Briefing**

Director Force thanked the Board for allowing him to attend the IAATI conference as it was very beneficial in so many ways. He attended two days of meetings with the other ATPA Program Directors. A common theme among the ATPAs is the struggle to show the value of their programs to legislatures. Most don’t take steps to measure the success of their programs such as asking grantees for data about their cases. The IL director told of being shut down by the Governor via emergency proclamation. The TX ATPA can only spend 30% of the funds collected until they can prove success to their legislature. CATPA is the only program funding analysts, requiring intelligence led platforms as well as requiring grantees to report data on a monthly basis.

Director Force explained how CATPA grantees use data from NIBRS as well as the concern that auto theft data is automatically purged after 5years in the NIBRS database. The ATPA group decided to petition NIBRS to discontinue that practice.

**Consolidation Update CMATT and BATTLE**

CATPA funded attendance to the IAATI conference for the task force commanders and supervisors as a team building activity so they could come up with a plan on how to work up policy & procedures for the operation of the consolidated task force. The Statewide consolidation has gone smoothly with operations based mostly on Overtime based operations; whereas the Metro task force is comprised mostly of full time personnel. All partners are on board with the plans from the meetings in Arizona. At the Control Board meeting each commander will put together a plan to be reviewed by the Board. It will be necessary for each leader to show how all the task forces can consolidate based on the different law enforcement methods. There is prediction of resistance due to politics among and within the different agencies. Due to the changing atmosphere in the Aurora Police Department, there is a big question as to their level of support.

**Co-location Update**
There were two more sites on the I-70 corridor that were visited by the CATPA staff and the lead officers from each task force. Both sites were acceptable with the task forces. We are waiting on quotes for buildouts on one of the locations. Upon the buildout quote we will have to re-evaluate the contract (may have to sign a 5 year lease) and costs to see that it remains within budget.

**Sunset Review Topics**
A list of suggested topics about the CATPA statue to bring before the legislature was submitted for the Board to review.

- It was suggested to clarify the meaning of number 3 to read “Victim’s Rights” for victims of Auto Theft crimes.
- It was suggested to add verbiage to number 4 to stipulate what actions to take place in the event of an increase in auto theft.
- Instead of changing from “first time offender” to “offender” it was suggested to eliminate the rehabilitation initiative completely.
- Clarification of the 4 or more vehicles part of the statute was an additional suggested topic as well as the inclusion of trailers and motorcycles in the vehicles eligible for the assessment fee.

In order to get the insurance companies to buy into any changes to the statute, CATPA will need to show value to the corporate uppers. We can clearly show what is different about CO compared to the other ATPAs. A marketing piece as well as a strategic piece geared to the right audiences would be very helpful. Because we are housed in a state agency, there are very specific procedures to follow when changes or new initiatives are wanted. First a list of topics must be given to the legislative liaison, who then gathers the coalition group at the Executive Director level. The Executive Director must then get the Governor’s approval. With the Governor’s approval the initiative can go forward.

**CATPA Staffing Update**
An offer of employment was extended to Kenya Lyons to fill the Grant Manager position. Kenya has accepted the offer and will start on September 14, 2015. Janet Swaney has started as our temp and is working on the grantee reimbursement processing.

**CATPA Reconciliation Update**
While meeting with the CSP financial services staff for the reconciliation of the CATPA funds, it has become apparent that there is a disparity between the collection of revenues (as dictated by statute) and the fiscal calendar year accounting of funds. Due to the way funds are collected and then encumbered for granting, monies are in our account for longer periods of time than it was realized. It actually takes up to three years to spend the collection period revenue. At this time CATPA has almost $6 million that needs to be spent. Director Force has asked the Board to consider authorizing another million in grants. Suggested uses for the funds include: a hardening program, updating equipment such as ALPRs for the task forces and ATICC technology. Must get away from private vendor server, have costs for that.

It was agreed by attending Board members that funds would not be used to fund extended personnel costs. Funds are already set aside for the following:

- $80k to BATTLE for funds mistakenly taken from Colorado Springs in the award process.
- $211k for enhanced equipment at the colocation site.
- Extra funds for CAAT to produce the Omni Poll and for media buy costs.
A suggestion was made to mention the disparity between collections and the fiscal accounting year in our annual. There would be a need to address the fact that this is insurance money not state funds in a simple way that can be gone into detail later.

**Next Meeting**

The next CATPA Board meeting will be on 9/17/2015 at the CATPA offices, 710 Kipling Street, Suite 106, Lakewood, CO from 1:30pm – 3:30pm.

**ADJOURN:**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.