



City of Phoenix

To: Joseph G. Yahner
Acting Police Chief

Date: November 14, 2011

From: Blake A. McClelland, Assistant Chief *DW ABC*
North Patrol Division

Subject: INTERNAL INVESTIGATION - PSB11-0052

Internal Investigators:

Commander Dave Harvey
Lieutenant Linda Meraz (Investigative Review)
Sergeant Melissa Casillas (Primary Investigator)
Sergeant Karen Hudson (Interviews)

Allegation #1:

During the 2010-2011 school year, Officer Fredrick Tormey #5095 knowingly submitted School Safety Program activity logs which contained false and inaccurate information.

Findings:

Sustained

Allegation #2:

During the 2010-2011 school year, Officer Fredrick Tormey #5095 knowingly submitted three false written reports (e-mails) to Sergeant Juan Hernandez #4551 in regards to Law Related Education instruction hours.

Findings:

Sustained

Employee/s Involved:

Officer Frederick Tormey #5095
Division: South Patrol Division
Bureau: Estrella Mountain Precinct
Squad: 32A
Schedule: 5:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Date of Hire: 01/23/1989

Complainant:

Department Initiated

Witness Employee:

See Witness Employee Section

Attachments:

See Attachment Section

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION:

During the 2010-2011 school year, Officer Frederick Tormey #5095 was a School Resource Officer assigned to Estrella Middle School. Officer Tormey's School Resource Officer position at Estrella Middle School was awarded through the Department of Education School Safety Grant. The School Safety Grant specifies that the School Resource Officer is required to teach 90 hours of Law Related Education each semester, with a total of 180 hours of Law Related Education annually. Officer Tormey had training and knowledge of the education instruction requirements of his position.

Law Related Education hours taught by the School Resource Officer is documented on the School Safety Program Officer Weekly Activity Log, and the logs are turned into the Cartwright District Office for grant reporting purposes. Officer Tormey knowingly submitted twenty-two activity logs to Cartwright School District Administrator Elsa Ramos, which contained false information documenting Law Related Education hours that were not instructed.

On January 24, 2011, Sergeant Juan Hernandez #4551 became the assigned supervisor of the K26 squad. Sergeant Hernandez instructed each officer on the squad, including Officer Tormey, to send him a monthly e-mail outlining the officer's monthly recap. Officer Tormey knowingly submitted three e-mails containing false and inaccurate information to Sergeant Hernandez documenting Law Related Education hours that were not instructed.

On May 25, 2011, Professional Standards Investigators interviewed Officer Tormey. Officer Tormey advised he did not complete any cohort instruction within the five social studies teachers' classrooms as reported. Officer Tormey advised investigators he made false reports to the Cartwright School District and to Sergeant Hernandez in regards to Law Related Education instruction. The allegations that Officer Tormey knowingly submitted activity logs with false information, and provided false written reports to his supervisor are sustained.

