

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK
POLICE SERVICES BOARD

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

25 FEBRUARY 2009

Secondary Activities

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Board receive this report pursuant to Section 31(1)(g) of the *Police Services Act*.

SYNOPSIS

Section 31(1)(g) requires the Chief of Police to provide regular reports on disclosures and decisions made relative to "Secondary Activities" under Section 49 of the *Police Services Act*.

It is a practice of our service to report to the Board on Secondary Activities by members of York Regional Police at the beginning of each year. The information contained in this report will also form part of the 2008 Annual Report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

BACKGROUND

Section 49(1) of the *Police Services Act* states that a member of a police force shall not engage in any activity, that interferes with or influences adversely the performance of his or her duties, places him or her in a position of conflict of interest, would otherwise constitute full time employment, or in which he or she has an advantage derived from employment as a member of a police force.

Section 49(3) of the *Police Services Act* states that a member of a police force who proposes to undertake activity that may contravene any of the foregoing conditions, or who becomes aware that an activity that he or she has already undertaken may do so, shall disclose full particulars to the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police shall decide whether the member is permitted to engage in the activity and the member shall comply with that decision.

During 2008, 18 Secondary Activity requests were received by the Chief's Office. Of those requests, 17 have been approved and 1 is still pending. Of the 17 approved, 2 are no longer active. At the completion of 2008, 68 staff members were involved in Secondary Activities for which approval was requested pursuant to the *Police Services Act*.

The majority of Secondary Activity requests are for positions as instructor at Community Colleges or other such institutions. Staff is also engaged in Secondary Activities in the areas of sales, mechanical & technical services, residential services, health services and volunteer activities, as highlighted in the following chart:

Secondary Activity	2008	2007
Instructor/Teaching	24	23
Sales	13	20
Mechanical & Technical Services	9	9
Miscellaneous*	8	15
Residential Services	6	3
Health Services	5	9
Volunteer	3	2
TOTAL	68	81

*Miscellaneous activities include acting, singing, catering and caring for animals.

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Chief of Police

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