



Steve Winegar, Ph.D.

IPSLEI Immediate Past Chair

Steve spent more than 32 years in policing. The first half of his police career was with the Washington County Sheriff's Department in Hillsboro, Oregon, where he worked a variety of assignments. He rose through the ranks to lieutenant while with the Sheriff's Department.

The second half of his police career was with the Tualatin, Oregon, Police Department as Chief of Police. Steve was selected as Tualatin's first Police Chief, appointed to the position in 1987 when the City made the decision to form its own Police Department. The Police Department started with a sworn staff of 13 and had grown to 33 in 2003 when Steve retired.

After leaving active policing Steve worked as a risk management consultant, and he taught criminal justice courses at Washington State University – Vancouver campus. For the past ten years he has been working with the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST); he has been the coordinator for the Leadership Development Program in Oregon for the past eight years. He now is the Leadership Training Coordinator at the Center for Policing Excellence, which was established at the Public Safety Academy in Oregon in 2013.

Steve holds a total of five college degrees, including a Masters Degree in Criminal Justice, a Masters of Public Administration, and he received his Ph.D. in Public Administration and Policy from Portland State University