

# State of Louisiana

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Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement  
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## Commission Meeting MINUTES

Clarion Inn and Suites Conference Center  
501 N. Highway 190  
Covington, Louisiana 70433  
December 6, 2018  
10:00 a.m.

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A quarterly meeting of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice was held on Thursday, December 6, 2018, at the Clarion Inn and Suites Conference Center in Covington, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Sheriff Sid J. Gautreaux, III, Chairman of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice.

Chairman Gautreaux announced the appointment of Sheriff Jason Ard, Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office, to the Commission, and welcomed him to the meeting. Sheriff Ard was recently appointed by Governor Edwards to replace Sheriff J. Austin Daniel who recently resigned from the Commission.

Chairman Gautreaux asked for a moment of silence to remember Bonnie Vaughan who recently passed away. Bonnie served as the District Director of District 6, Southwest District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc., for many years, and will be sorely missed by the entire LCLE family.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sheriff Bud Torres, and the Invocation was led by Constable Reginald Brown.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

The roll call was conducted by Ms. Lisa Dreher. A membership quorum was present.

The following Commission members or their representatives were present: Sheriff Jason Ard; Chief William P. "Bill" Landry, proxy for Representative Tony Bacala; Ms. Mary Touzet, proxy for Mr. Charles Ballay; Captain Dawn Powell, proxy for Deputy Chief Darrell Basco;

Chief Barry Bonner; Constable Reginald Brown; Ms. Ellyn Toney, proxy for Dr. James K. Bueche; Sheriff Mike Cazes; Judge Hans Liljeberg, proxy for Judge Susan M. Chehardy; Ms. Cynthia Austin, proxy for Mr. Paul Connick, Jr.; Ms. Mary Touzet, proxy for Mr. John DeRosier; Judge Blair Edwards; Sheriff Sid J. Gautreaux, III; Sheriff Jason Ard, proxy for Sheriff William Hilton; Sgt. Nicholas Picard, proxy for Chief Hal Hutchinson; Ms. Jennifer Jones; Chief William P. “Bill” Landry; Mr. Jeff Bergeron, proxy for Mr. Jeff Landry; Sheriff Sid J. Gautreaux, III, proxy for Mr. James P. “Jay” Lemoine; Constable Reginald Brown, proxy for Sheriff Joseph Lopinto; Sheriff Mike Cazes, proxy for Sheriff Tony Mancuso; Mr. Lee Roy Clemons, proxy for Mr. John “Schuyler” Marvin; Mr. Jay O’Quinn; Sheriff Beauregard “Bud” Torres, proxy for Sheriff Steve Prator; Capt. Mark Richards, proxy for Col. Kevin Reeves; Chief Gerald Sticker; Col. Carlos Stout; Mr. Tod Ardoin, proxy for Chief Judge Ulysses G. Thibodeaux; Mr. John Dale “J. D.” Thornton; Sheriff Beauregard “Bud” Torres; Sheriff Mike Tubbs; Sheriff Craig Webre, and Judge Mitchell Theriot, proxy for Judge Vanessa Whipple.

The following District Directors or their representatives were present: Mr. Jeremy Edwards, District 1 – Northwest Law Enforcement Planning District, Inc., and District 3 - Red River Delta Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Ms. Amanda Bourque, District 4 – Evangeline Law Enforcement Council, Inc.; Ms. Dawn Hawkins, District 5 – Capital District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Ms. Calli Peloquin, District 6 – Southwest District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Mr. Ronald Lampard, District 7 – Jefferson Parish Criminal Justice Coordinating Council and Metropolitan District Law Enforcement Planning and Action Commission, Inc.; and Chief Jim Craft, District 8 – State level.

LCLE staff present included: Ms. Martha Addison, Chief Jim Craft, Ms. Rutha Chatwood, Ms. Lisa Dreher, Ms. Linda Gautier, Ms. Nakia Harris, and Mr. Bob Wertz.

### **III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was made by Sheriff Cazes and seconded by Constable Brown. The motion passed.

### **IV. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. Consideration of Minutes**

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on September 27, 2018. A motion was made by Col. Stout, seconded by Sheriff Cazes, and the motion passed.

#### **B. Report of the Priorities Committee**

Chief Jim Craft, Executive Director of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE), reported that, on November 8 2018, the Priorities Committee received all allocations, applications, proposed increases, and waiver requests via electronic mail-out. The Priorities Committee reviewed these items and recommended approval.

This concludes the report of the Priorities Committee.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Constable Brown, seconded by Col. Stout, and the motion passed.

**C. Report of the Victim Services Advisory Board**

On behalf of Chief Deputy Gary “Stitch” Guillory, Board Chairman, Ms. Rutha Chatwood reported that the Victim Services Advisory Committee met at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 5, 2018, at the Clarion Inn and Suites Conference Center in Covington, LA. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended approval of the following:

- 11 FY 2017 VOCA applications totaling \$1,549,249
- One FY 2017 VOCA waiver request totaling \$12,066
- One FY 2016 STOP application totaling \$39,798

This concludes the report of the Victim Services Advisory Board.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Sheriff Cazes and seconded by Constable Brown. The motion passed.

**D. Report of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Advisory Board**

In the absence of Mr. Julio Galan, Board Chairman, Mr. John Ryals reported that the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board met at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 5, 2018, at the Clarion Inn and Suites Conference Center in Covington, LA. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended the approval of the following:

- One FY 2017 Title II JJDP allocation totaling \$42,877
- One FY 2017 Title II JJDP application totaling \$42,877

This concludes the report of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Sheriff Tubbs, seconded by Col. Stout, and the motion passed.

**E. Report of the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board**

Col. Carlos Stout, Board Chairman, reported that the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board met at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 5, 2018, at the Clarion Inn and Suites Conference Center in Covington, LA. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended approval of the following:

- One FY 2016 allocation totaling \$5,330
- 64 FY 2017 allocations totaling \$2,208,965
- Two FY 2016 applications totaling \$222,542
- 35 FY 2017 non-confidential applications totaling \$1,057,649
- 21 FY 2017 CONFIDENTIAL applications totaling \$814,483
- Three increases totaling \$76,050
- One 48-month waiver request

All of this activity is listed in the eGrants system.

This concludes the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board Report.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Constable Brown, seconded by Sheriff Tubbs, and the motion passed.

#### **V. CALL FOR OTHER OLD BUSINESS**

Chairman Gautreaux called for Other Old Business, and there was none to discuss.

#### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **A. Consideration of Proposed Changes to Title 22 (LA Administrative Code)**

Mr. Bob Wertz, LCLE, outlined the proposed changes to Title 22, the LA Administrative Code and explained the process for incorporating the changes.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to approve the proposed changes. A motion was made by Sheriff Ard and seconded by Sheriff Cazes. The motion passed.

##### **B. Adoption of Proposed 2019 Commission Meeting Dates**

Chief Craft announced the following proposed Commission quarterly meeting dates for 2019, and stated that these dates are subject to change, if necessary: March 21; June 6; September 26; and December 5.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to adopt the proposed meeting dates. A motion was made by Sheriff Cazes and seconded by Judge Edwards. The motion passed.

After a brief discussion regarding the location for future Commission meetings, the Commission members expressed their desire to hold all of the meetings in Baton Rouge.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to adopt Baton Rouge as the official meeting location. A motion was made by Judge Edwards, seconded by Sheriff Tubbs, and the motion passed.

### **C. Presentation of Grant District Applications**

Chairman Gautreaux recognized the District staff and welcomed them to the meeting. A motion was made by Sheriff Cazes to approve all of the District grant applications *in globo*. The motion was seconded by Chief Bonner, and the motion passed.

## **VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **A. Announcement of District Staff Changes**

Ms. Martha Addison, LCLE, announced the appointment of Ms. Calli Peloquin as Director of District 6 - Southwest District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc. and the appointment of Ms. Dawn Hawkins as Director of District 5, Capital District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc. Ms. Hawkins will replace the current Director, Ms. Wanda Johnson, upon her retirement in the near future.

### **B. Next Commission Meeting**

Chairman Gautreaux announced that the next Commission Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2019, and the advisory boards will meet on Wednesday, March 20, 2019. The meetings will be held in Baton Rouge, with the exact location to be announced at a later date.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Gautreaux reported that a total of \$3,726,598 was awarded to deserving agencies at today's meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Sheriff Cazes, seconded by Constable Brown, and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.