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A regular meeting of the Louisiana POST Council was held Thursday, May 12, 2016, at the Embassy Suites in Baton Rouge, LA. Sheriff Steve Prator (Chairman) called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present (or represented): Chief Barry Bonner, Mr. Earl Wright (proxy for Constable Reggie Brown), Mr. Jeff Bergeron (proxy for Attorney General Jeff Landry), Lt. E.J. Chesne (proxy for Col. Mike Edmonson), Mr. Jay Lemoine, Sheriff Steve Prator (Chairman and proxy for Sheriff Rodney Arbuckle), Chief Carlos Stout, and Mr. Jim Craft.

Staff members present: Bob Wertz, Rebekah Taylor, and Briana Blanchard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chief Stout made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. After some discussion, Chief Bonner seconded the motion and the motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

No items on the Consent Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

POST Basic Peace Officer Curriculum Status

Ms. Taylor requested a provisional approval of the updated POST Basic Peace Office Curriculum, an implementation date of 01/01/2017 with a final approval request to be considered at the September meeting. Mr. Lemoine made a motion to provisionally approve the updated curriculum with the requested implementation date. After some discussion, Lt. Chesne seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sheriff Prator encouraged all Council members to send any comments concerning the curriculum to the POST Staff as soon as possible.

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POST In-Service Training Program Update

Mr. Wertz updated the Council members on the status of the POST In-Service Training Program. No action necessary at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

POST Related Legislation Update

Mr. Wertz updated the Council members on the POST Related Legislation. Mr. Lemoine will keep Council members involved in the Legislative process. No action necessary at this time.

2015 POST In-Service Extension Request – Eric Baker (Caddo Parish Animal Control)

Ms. Taylor presented the request to the POST Council. Chief Stout made a motion to approve the request. After some discussion, Mr. Bergeron seconded the motion and the motion passed.

2015 POST In-Service Waiver Requests – Medical

Ms. Taylor presented the waiver requests to the Council members. Mr. Lemoine, representing the In-Service Waiver Committee, recommended two (2) of the waiver requests be denied: Mitchell Arnold (Hammond Police Dept.), and James Cunningham (New Orleans Police Dept.). Chief Bonner made a motion to approve the committee's recommendation and deny the two requests. After some discussion, Lt. Chesne seconded the motion and the motion passed.

2015 POST In-Service Waiver Requests – Military

Mr. Lemoine, representing the In-Service Waiver Committee, recommended approval of all Military related waiver requests. Chief Bonner made a motion to approve the committee's recommendation. After some discussion, Lt. Chesne seconded the motion and the motion passed. Sheriff Prator recommended all future Military related waiver requests be approved, but not to include Military Reserve Annual Training. Mr. Lemoine made a motion to approve the recommendation. After some discussion, Chief Stout seconded the motion and the motion passed.

2015 POST In-Service Deficiencies

Ms. Taylor presented the list of 2015 In-Service Deficiencies. Mr. Lemoine made a motion to revoke the POST Certifications of the following officers, effective 05/12/2016, due deficient POST In-Service training hours in 2015: Marcus Aucoin, Robert Fulton, Donald Sibley, Reginald Falton, Corey Wolf, Chad Cassard, Donald Freeman, Michael Halprin, Charles Zalfen, Aaron Cole, James Delancy, Danny Lee, John Bass, Richard Gales, Robert Hattala, Debra Celestine, Kathy Daniels, Francine Matthews, Lameka Sonn, Ricky Harrison,

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Quan Tran, David Halphen, Joseph Pratt, Jesse Lenard, Darnell Franklin, Joan Catanese Johnson, Austin Coffey, Melissa Crow, Mike Day, Mark Wheeler, and Jonathan Rivet. After some discussion, Chief Bonner seconded the motion and the motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sheriff Prator made a call for other business, and none was heard.

Chief Bonner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lt. Chesne seconded the motion and the motion passed.