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POST MEETING MINUTES

September 3, 2015

A regular meeting of the Louisiana POST Council was held Thursday, September 3, 2015, at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center in Baton Rouge, LA. Sheriff Steve Prator, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present (or represented): Sheriff Rodney Arbuckle, Chief Barry Bonner, Constable Reggie Brown, Mr. Mike Thompson (proxy for Attorney General James Caldwell), Capt. Darrell Williams (proxy for Col. Mike Edmonson), Chief Bry Layrisson, Mr. Jay Lemoine, Sheriff Steve Prator (Chairman), Chief Carlos Stout, Mr. Joey Watson, and Col. Paul Robert (proxy for Sheriff Jeff Wiley, Vice-Chairman).

Staff members present: James Franklin, Bob Wertz, Rebekah Taylor, and Keegan Larisey.

Guests present: Capt. Randy Mata (Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office), Lt. Jason DiMarco (Gretna Police Dept.), Capt. Curtis Soileau (Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office), Capt. Wendell Raborn (Iberia Parish Sheriff's Office), Sgt. Edward Lamulle (Slidell Police Dept.), John Gallagher (Slidell Police Dept.), Patsy Netherland (Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office), Maria Pollage-Toups (Probation & Parole), Capt. Kevin Kwon (Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office), Mark lannazzo (Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office), Lt. Jody Jones (Shreveport Police Dept.), Capt. Brian Straje (Shreveport Police Dept.), Asst. Chief Mark Mahoney (Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office), Commander Richard Williams (New Orleans Police Dept.), Asst. Commander Michelle Stokes (New Orleans Police Dept.) Deputy Chief Paul DeGrange (New Orleans Fire Dept.), Gary Ferrari, Jr. (Gonzales Police Dept.), Capt. Melanie Montroll (New Orleans Harbor Police Dept.), and Sgt. J.D. Leach (Baton Rouge Police Dept.).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sheriff Arbuckle made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. After some discussion, Mr. Lemoine seconded the motion and the motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

<u>Certification Extension Requests – Deputy Parker Nettles (West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office) & Officer Charles Hile (Plain Dealing Police Dept.)</u>

Ms. Taylor presented the requests and approvals to the Council for ratification. After some discussion, Mr.

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Lemoine made a motion to ratify the approvals. Chief Stout seconded the motion and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

POST Master Instructor School Update

Ms. Taylor updated the Council members on the status of the POST Master Instructor School. No action necessary at this time.

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.

POST In-Service Requirements Waiver Requests

All requests considered under New Business item 1.

NEW BUSINESS

POST In-Service Requirements Waiver Requests

Ms. Taylor presented a recommendation to the Council for a waiver of all 2014 POST In-Service Training Requirements on behalf of the POST Staff. Ms. Taylor also requested the Council Chairman appoint a committee for consideration of In-Service Waiver Requests going forward. After some discussion, Mr. Lemoine made a motion to issue a blanket waiver for all 2014 POST In-Service Training Requirements. Mr. Brown seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Chief Layrisson opposed the motion. Sheriff Prator appointed Mr. Mike Thompson, Mr. Jay Lemoine, and the President of the Louisiana Academy Directors Association to a committee. This three member committee will consider all future POST In-Service Waiver Requests and make recommendations to the full Council membership.

<u>2015 Legislation – Act 152 – Sexual Assault Awareness Training Administrative Rules</u>

Mr. Wertz informed the Council members that Act 152 requires POST to create Sexual Assault Awareness Training for University/College Peace Officers first, and then all Louisiana Peace Officers. Mr. Wertz presented the Emergency Rule drafted by POST Staff. Chief Bonner made a motion to adopt the proposed Emergency Rule. Mr. Brown seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mr. Wertz then presented the Administrative Rule drafted by POST Staff. Chief Layrisson made a motion to adopt the proposed Administrative Rule. Chief Bonner seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mr. Wertz then requested the Council members to approve the Sexual Assault Awareness Training as possible POST In-Service Training Credit Hours. Chief Bonner made a motion to approve the request. Chief Stout seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mr.

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Wertz then requested the Council Chairman appoint the following people to a Sexual Assault Awareness Training Curriculum Development Committee: Ms. Sue Birney, Ms. Jane Wood, Ms. Tracy Dahmer-Ferris, Ms. Amanda Tonkivich, and Ms. LeAnn Wall. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve Sheriff Prator's committee appointments. Chief Stout seconded the motion and the motion passed.

2015 Legislation – Act 331 – POST Database – Employment Reporting Form PC 201b

Ms. Taylor presented the requirements of Act 331 to the Council members, and requested the Council approve the PC-201b as the required method of Employment Reporting. Mr. Lemoine made a motion to approve the reporting form. Mr. Brown seconded the motion and the motion passed.

POST Corrections Officer Certification Course – Use of Force considerations

Ms. Taylor requested the Council members approve an increase in the required hours for the POST Level 3 Correctional Officer Certification from 90 to 90 – an increase of 2 hours. The additional two hours would be used to address Use of Force considerations for incarcerated persons according the US Supreme Court case law. After some discussion, Chief Layrisson made a motion to approve the increase to 92 required hours for the POST Level 3 Correctional Officer Certification. Chief Stout seconded the motion and the motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sheriff Prator requested the POST Staff include all Council members in the legislative process.

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

Chief Bonner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Capt. Williams seconded the motion and the motion passed.