

State of Louisiana
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Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement
and Administration of Criminal Justice

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



DRUG CONTROL AND VIOLENT CRIME POLICY BOARD
MINUTES

Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center
201 Lafayette Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801

November 16, 2016 – 3:15 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Chief Mike Knaps called the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board meeting to Order at 3:15 p.m.

Board Members present included:

Sheriff Doug Anderson; District Attorney Michael Cassidy; Ms. Cynthia Austin, proxy for Mr. Paul D. Connick, Jr.; Major Paul Edmondson, proxy for Colonel Michael Edmonson; Assistant Chief Darryl Lawrence, proxy for Chief Scott Ford; Sheriff Mike Tubbs, proxy for Mr. Chuck Hurst; and Chief Mike Knaps, proxy for Chief Carlos Stout.

Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) staff on hand was:

Chief Jim Craft, Executive Director; Ms. Linda Gautier, BJAG & Discretionary Section Manager; Ms. Rutha Chatwood, SASP & STOP Section Manager; Ms. Martha Addison, Grants Manager; and Caitlin Boyd and Melanie Vick, Grants Reviewers.

The following District Directors attended:

Mr. Jeremy Edwards, District 1, Northwest Law Enforcement Planning District, Inc. and District 3, Red River Delta Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Chief Deputy David Rigdon, proxy for Marky Tucker, District 2, North Delta Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Ms. Amanda Bourque, District 4, Evangeline Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Ms. Bonnie Vaughan, proxy for Ms. Wanda Johnson, District 5, Capital District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; and District 6, Southwest District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Mr. Ronald Lampard, District 7, Jefferson Parish Criminal Justice Coordinating Council / Metropolitan District Law Enforcement Planning and Action Commission; Ms. Maria-Kay Chetta, City of New Orleans - Office of Criminal Justice Coordination.

Representatives and Guests at the meeting were:

District Attorney Earl Taylor, 27th Judicial District Attorney's Office; Chief Shannon Womack, City of Denham Springs; Ms. Wanda Johnson, proxy for the City of Zachary; Mr. Briant Beard, East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office; Ms. Linda Gautier, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement; Chief Deputy David Rigdon, Richland Parish Sheriff's Office; Ms. Betty Brown, Tensas Parish Sheriff's Office; and Captain Drew David, Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken and it was determined that a quorum of membership was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA *(November 16, 2016)*

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to approve the November 16th, 2016 Agenda. Sheriff Doug Anderson made a motion to accept the Agenda as presented, seconded by Major Paul Edmonson. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Minutes *(September 28, 2016)*

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to approve the September 28th, 2016 Minutes. District Attorney Michael Cassidy made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented, seconded by Major Paul Edmonson. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Allocation Request (and application under Item C - D8) – **Ms. Linda Gautier**

1. #3433, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, *Solicited Law Enforcement Emergency Funding (Discretionary)*; \$1,000,000
Representative: Ms. Linda Gautier

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to recommend approval of the above Allocation. District Attorney Michael Cassidy made a motion, seconded by Sheriff Doug Anderson. The motion carried.

B. Increase Requests – **Ms. Linda Gautier**

1. #2065, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, *Criminal Records Improvement Existing Award*, \$385,000; Requested Increase (up to), \$25,790; Revised Award \$410,790; **(FY 2013)**
Representative: Ms. Linda Gautier

Board members were asked to add the verbiage on the increase amount of on their individual ballot to reflect the words "up to".

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to recommend approval of the above Increase. Sheriff Doug Anderson made a motion, seconded by District Attorney Michael Cassidy. The motion carried.

2. #3051, East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office, *Violent Crime Task Force*
Existing Award, \$7,916; Requested Increase, \$8,948; Revised Award, \$16,864;
(FY 2015)
Representative: Mr. Briant Beard
3. #3075, Denham Springs, City of, *Criminal Patrols*
Existing Award, \$2,056; Requested Increase, \$5,000; Revised Award, \$7,056;
(FY 2015)
Representative: Chief Shannon Womack
4. #3207 East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office, *Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force*
Existing Award, \$38,092; Requested Increase, \$2,840; Revised Award, \$40,932;
(FY 2014)
Representative: Mr. Briant Beard
5. #3214, Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office, *Crime Activity Patrol*
Existing Award, \$14,534; Requested Increase, \$17,283; Revised Award, \$31,817;
(FY 2014)
Representative: Captain Drew David
6. #3283, Richland Parish Sheriff's Office, *K-9 Program*
Existing Award, \$15,272; Requested Increase, \$151; Revised Award, \$15,423;
(FY 2014)
Representative: Chief Deputy David Rigdon

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to recommend approval of the above Increases. District Attorney Michael Cassidy made a motion, seconded by Major Paul Edmonson. The motion carried.

C. Consideration of Non-Confidential Applications

All applications are being approved, pending final program review by LCLE staff.

DISTRICT 4, Evangeline – Representative: Ms. Amanda Bergeron

1. #3417, 27th Judicial District Attorney's Office, *Differentiated Case Management*
\$9,490 (cont); **(FY 2015)**
Representative: Mrs. Pamela Fruge

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to recommend approval of the above Applications. District Attorney Michael Cassidy made a motion, seconded by Sheriff Mike Tubbs. The motion carried.

DISTRICT 5, Capital – Representative: Ms. Wanda Johnson

1. #3421, Zachary, City of, *Community Policing*
\$3,957 (cont); **(FY 2015)**
Representative: Ms. Wanda Johnson

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to recommend approval of the above Applications. Sheriff Mike Tubbs made a motion, seconded by District Attorney Michael Cassidy. The motion carried. Chief Darryl Lawrence abstained.

DISTRICT 8, LCLE – Representative: Ms. Linda Gautier

1. #3433, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, *Solicited Law Enforcement Emergency Funding (Discretionary)*
\$1,000,000 (new); (FY 2016)
Representative: Ms. Linda Gautier

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to recommend approval of the above Application. Sheriff Mike Tubbs made a motion, seconded by Major Paul Edmonson. The motion carried.

D. Consideration of CONFIDENTIAL Application

Chairman Mike Knaps requested that all non-essential personnel clear the room in order for the confidential application to be presented.

Note: Application will be approved, pending final program review by LCLE staff.

DISTRICT 2, North Delta – Representative: Ms. Marky Tucker

1. #3428, Tensas Parish Sheriff's Office, *Criminal Patrols*
\$3,056 (cont); (FY 2015)
Representative: Ms. Betty Brown

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to recommend approval of the above **Confidential Application**. District Attorney Michael Cassidy made a motion, seconded by Sheriff Mike Tubbs. The motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

Embassy Suites
4914 Constitution Ave.
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Policy and Advisory Boards: Wednesday, March 22, 2017
LCLE Commission Meeting: Thursday, March 23, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Knaps asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sheriff Mike Tubbs made a motion to adjourn the November 16, 2016, Drug Control & Violent Crime Policy Board meeting; seconded by District Attorney Michael Cassidy. The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Submitted by: Roxanne Langston