



**State of Louisiana**  
**Office of the Governor**

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

**DRUG CONTROL AND VIOLENT CRIME POLICY  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Marriott Hotel of Baton Rouge**  
**5500 Hilton Avenue**  
**Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808**  
**February 20, 2013**  
**2:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Acting Chairman Chief Mike Knaps, called the meeting to order.

The following Board members were present: Chief Mike Knaps; Penny Davis proxy for Pete Adams; Sheriff Doug Anderson; Ronnie Rossitto proxy for Honorable Trent Brignac; Chief Doug Browning; Ronnie Rossitto proxy for Honorable Don Burkett; Chief Steve Caraway; Honorable Michael Cassidy; Barron Burmaster proxy for Honorable Paul Connick, Jr.; Chief Chad Leger proxy for Chief Michael Dickerson; Kevin Devall proxy for Superintendent Michael Edmonson; Sheriff Wayne Melancon; Sheriff Sid Gautreaux proxy for Michael Ranatza; Chief Deputy Tim Lentz proxy for Sheriff Jack Strain; Chief Carlos Stout

Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement staff present were: Joseph "Joey" Watson, Executive Director; Robert Mehrtens, Deputy Director; Linda Gautier, Byrne/JAG Section Manager; Bob Miller, Program Manager.

The following District Directors were present: Wanda Johnson, *Capital LEPD*; Amanda Bourque, *Evangeline LEPD*; Helmer Magnuson, *Jefferson Parish/Metropolitan District*; Maria Kaye Chetta, *New Orleans Criminal Justice Coordination*; Marky Tucker, *North Delta LEPD*; Jeremy Edwards, *Northwest LEPD and Red River Delta LEPD*; Bonnie Vaughan, *Southwest District LEPC, Inc.*

Guests in attendance were: Antonya Coleman Crump, *Baton Rouge Constable's Office*; Lt. Shawn Duplechain, *Ville Platte Police Department*; Paula Kleinpeter, *18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District-Pointe Coupee Drug Court*; Frank Edwards, *Independence Police Department*; Yvette Crain, *Jean Lafitte Police Department*; Christy Boudreaux, *Plaquemine Police Department*; Edward Beyerback, *Westwego Police Department*; Ronnie Martin, *St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office*; Chad Clark, *St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office*; Ronald Lampard, *CJCC/METLEC*;

Garrett Herrington, *Kentwood Police Department*; Wanda Clark, *Town of Evergreen*; Tommy Favaron, *Iberville Parish Sheriff's Office*; Donna Jennings, *Denham Springs Police Department*; Denise Denicola, *Walker Police Department*; Chris Dufour, *Walker Police Department*.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll was taken and a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Acting Chairman Chief Mike Knaps called for a motion to approve the agenda. Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made the motion. Chief Doug Browning seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Acting Chairman Chief Mike Knaps announced the resignation of Honorable Harry Morel as Chairman of the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board.

Acting Chairman Chief Mike Knaps called for approval of the minutes of the November 14, 2012 minutes. Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made the motion. Chief Doug Browning seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

**OTHER OLD BUSINESS**

Bob Miller discussed a request from the Iberville Parish Sheriff's Office for a waiver of the 48-month limitation for the subgrant approved at the November 2012 meeting. It was determined later in the Award process that the time period would place this project just beyond the 48-month limit. Rather than delay its continuation, LCLE's Executive Director issued the Award, with the understanding that the Sheriff would have a representative at the February meeting to answer any questions. This waiver will be covered in the waiver request later in the agenda.

Kathy Guidry gave an update on the new **e-Grants** (grants having no sub-grant numbers)

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Request for ARRA (2009) Allocations – Bob Miller**

1. District 8 – Town of Evergreen, *Criminal Patrols*, \$21,308; Representative: Tonya Kelly [**NOTE: Corresponding Application B82-8-143**]
2. District 8 – Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, *Information Systems Upgrade*, \$35,000; Representative: Linda Gautier [**NOTE: Corresponding Application B82-8-144**]

With no questions or comments, Honorable Michael Cassidy made a motion to recommend approval for the 2009 Allocation request. Sid Gautreaux seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

**B. Request for 2012 District Allocation Changes – Bob Miller**

1. Northwest District – North Louisiana Crime Lab, *Information Systems Upgrade*, (**eGrants – new**), \$35,609; Representative: Mr. Jeremy Edwards
2. Capital District – City of Plaquemine, *Enhance Crime Scene Unit*, (**B12-5-019**) \$3,000; Representative: Ms. Wanda Johnson

With no questions or comments, Honorable Michael Cassidy made a motion to recommend approval for the 2009 Allocation request. Sid Gautreaux seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

**C. Requests for 2012 State Level Allocations – Bob Miller**

1. Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, *Criminal Records Improvement*, (**eGrants**), \$330,000; Representative: Linda Gautier
2. Louisiana District Attorneys Association, *RICO Training*, (**eGrants**), \$104,579; Representative: Linda Gautier
3. Louisiana Attorney General’s Office, *Law Enforcement Technology*, (**eGrants**), \$37,720; Representative: Linda Gautier
4. Louisiana State Police, *Apprehension Training*, (**eGrants**), \$103,160; Representative: Linda Gautier
5. Louisiana Public Defender’s Office, *Indigent Defender*, (**eGrants**), \$104,579; Representative: Linda Gautier
6. Louisiana Sheriffs Association, *Criminal Records Improvement*, (**eGrants**), \$250,000; Representative: Linda Gautier
7. East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff’s Office, *Wrongful Conviction Demonstration Project*, (**eGrants**), \$54,000; Representative: Linda Gautier

With no questions or comments, Chief Dough Browning made a motion to recommend approval for the 2009 Allocation request. Honorable Michael Cassidy seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition and Sheriff Sid Gautreaux abstained for e-Grant #7, *Wrongful Conviction Demonstration Project*

**D. Waiver Requests**

1. Iberville Parish Sheriff’s Office, Waiver of the 48-Month Limitation Rule, *Integrated Criminal Apprehension Program (ICAP)*, (**B11-5-017**); Representative: Lt. Tommy Favaron
2. Town of Evergreen, Waiver of Prohibition on Subgrant Vehicle Purchases, *Criminal Patrols* (**B82-8-143**); Representative: Ms. Wanda Clark
3. 25<sup>TH</sup> Judicial District Attorney’s Office, Waiver of the 48-Month Limitation Rule, *Information Systems Upgrade*, (**B12-7-002**); Representative: Mary Touzet
4. City of Westwego (PD), Waiver of the 48-Month Limitation Rule, *Criminal Patrols*, (**B12-7-017**); Representative: Lt. Ed Beyerback

With no questions or comments, Sheriff Dough Anderson made a motion to recommend approval for the 2009 Allocation request. Honorable Michael Cassidy seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

## **E. Increase Requests**

1. **B09-8-001**, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, *Criminal Records Improvement*, \$418,000; requested increase \$4,181, revised award \$422,181; Representative: Linda Gautier
2. **B11-8-002**, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, *Civil RICO Training Program*, \$102,803; requested increase \$8,907; revised award \$111,710; Representative: Linda Gautier

With no questions or comments, Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made a motion to recommend approval for the increase requests. Sheriff Doug Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

## **F. Consideration of Non-Confidential Applications**

**District 1 Northwest LEPD – None [ Representative: Jeremy Edwards ]**

**District 2 North Delta LEPD – None [ Representative: Marky Tucker ]**

**District 3 Red River Delta LEPD - None [ Representative: Jeremy Edwards ]**

**District 4 Evangeline LEPD – GMIS Applications [ Representative: Amanda Bourque ]**

1. **B12-4-015**, City of Scott, *Integrated Criminal Apprehension Program (ICAP)*, \$6,384 (continuation); Representative: Kert Thomas
2. **B12-4-021**, City of Ville Platte, *Integrated Criminal Apprehension Program (ICAP)*, \$2,822 (new); Representative: Chip Matte

With no questions or comments, Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made a motion to recommend approval for non-confidential application for District 4. Sheriff Doug Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition and Chief Chad Leger abstained on B12-4-015, Ronnie Rossito (proxy for Honorable Trent Brignac) abstained on B12-4-021. (Global vote)

**District 5 Capital LEPD – GMIS Applications [ Representative: Wanda Johnson ]**

1. **B11-5-007**, City of Baton Rouge, *Targeting Violent Criminals*, \$5,000 (continuation); Representative: Antonya Coleman Crump
2. **B12-5-006**, Pointe Coupee Parish Drug Court (18<sup>TH</sup> JDC), *Drug Court*, \$2,500 (new); Representative: Paula Kleinpeter
3. **B12-5-019**, City of Plaquemine, *Enhance Crime Scene Unit*, \$3,000 (new); Representative: Christy Boudreaux
4. **B12-5-022**, City of Denham Springs, *Criminal Patrols*, \$2,500 (continuation); Representative: Donna Jennings

5. **B12-5-024**, Town of Walker, *Criminal Patrols*, \$1,500 (continuation); Representative: Denise Denicola
6. **B12-5-025**, Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff's Office, *Information Systems Upgrade*, \$7,500 (continuation); Representative: Arleen Zito
7. **B12-5-029**, Town of Independence, *Criminal Records Improvement*, \$1,500 (new); Representative: Frank Edwards
8. **B12-5-030**, Town of Kentwood, *Criminal Records Improvement*, \$1,500 (new); Representative: Garrett Herrington
9. **B12-5-035**, West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office, *Criminal Patrols*, \$6,500 (continuation); Representative: Billie Giroir

With no questions or comments, Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made a motion to Global vote for non-confidential application for District 5. Honorable Michael Cassidy seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

**District 6 Southwest LEPD – None [ Representative: Bonnie Vaughn ]**

**District 7 Jefferson/Metropolitan LEPD – GMIS Applications [ Representative: Helmer Magnuson ]**

1. **B10-7-020**, Town of Jean Lafitte, *Information Systems Upgrade*, \$1,928 (new); Representative: Yvette Crain
2. **B12-7-001**, 24<sup>TH</sup> Judicial District Attorney's Office, *Pretrial Intervention*, \$51,000 (continuation); Representative: Baron Burmaster
3. **B12-7-002**, 25<sup>TH</sup> Judicial District Attorney's Office, *Information Systems Upgrade*, \$1,827 (continuation); Representative: Rae Riley
4. **B12-7-006**, City of Harahan, *Street Sales Disruption*, \$7,500 (continuation); Representative: Robert Hogan
5. **B12-7-007**, Town of Jean Lafitte, *Street Sales Disruption*, \$6,269 (new); Representative: Yvette Crain
6. **B12-7-012**, St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office, *Integrated Criminal Apprehension Program (ICAP)*, \$16,000 (continuation); Representative: Ronnie Martin
7. **B12-7-017**, City of Westwego, *Criminal Patrols*, \$11,000 (continuation); Representative: Edward Beyerback

With no questions or comments, Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made a motion to Globas vote for non-confidential application for District 6. Kevin Devall seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition and Mr. Baron Burmaster (proxy for Honorable Paul Connick) abstained on B12-7-001.

**District 9 New Orleans OCJC – None [ Representative: Maria Kaye Chetta ]**

**District 8 State Level – GMIS Applications/ARRA [ Representative: Linda Gautier ]**

1. **B82-8-143**, Town of Evergreen, *Criminal Patrols*, \$21,308 (new); Representative: Tonya Kelly

2. **B82-8-144**, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, \$35,000, *Information Systems Upgrade*, Representative: Linda Gautier

With no questions or comments, Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made a motion to recommend and Honorable Michael Cassidy seconded the motion to approve the **ARRA/GMIS** Applications. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

#### **District 8 State Level – eGrants Application [ Representative: Linda Gautier]**

1. Louisiana District Attorneys Association, *Civil RICO Training Program*, \$104,579 (continuation); (**e-Grant**) Representative: Roxanne Barrios

With no questions or comments, Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made a motion to recommend approval for non-confidential **e-Grant** application for District 8. Sheriff Doug Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition and Ms. Penny Davis, proxy for Pete Adams abstained.

#### **G. Consideration of Confidential GMIS Application**

1. **B12-7-008**, Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office, *Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force*, \$51,000 (continuation); Jerry Monnerjahn

With no questions or comments, Sheriff Sid Gautreaux made a motion to recommend approval for confidential application for District 7. Chief Doug Browning seconded the motion. The motion passed without opposition or abstention.

#### **Other New Business – Bob Miller: ARRA Budgets and Subgrant Adjustment Requests**

##### **ISSUE: Allowable Under LCLE Staff Approval or Requires Specific Commission Action**

In the past, LCLE staff has handled Subgrant Adjustment Requests for ARRA Stimulus Projects involving changes of greater than 10% of a Budget Category as requiring Commission approval, because it involved a “funding change”. In reality, these are not funding changes - the Federal dollars did not increase, they only moved around within the same budget. LCLE staff proposes to handle all ARRA subgrant adjustment requests the same way we handle such requests from other Grant programs. Thus, we follow the Federal guidelines and we require three separate reviews, with three separate approvals for each subgrant adjustment. The Board agreed that, from this time forward all ARRA subgrant adjustment requests will be treated in a similar, equivalent manner.

**LCLE’s Executive Director** Mr. Joey Watson introduced his new secretary Ms. Lisa Dreher. Ms. Dreher replaces Ms. Erica Matthews who resigned for a position in the private sector.

**VI. NEXT MEETING DATES: May 15-16, 2013 [ Baton Rouge ]**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**