

POST MEETING MINUTES

September 27, 2017

A regular meeting of the Louisiana POST Council was held Wednesday, September 27, 2017, at the Louisiana Sheriff's Association 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. Jim Craft, Lt. David McClendon (proxy for Col. Kevin Reeves), Chief Hal Hutchinson, Mr. Jeff Bergeron (proxy for Attorney General Jeff Landry), Mr. Jay Lemoine, Asst. Chief Jason DiMarco (proxy for Chief Dwayne Munch), and Sheriff Steve Prator (Chairman).

Guests present: Lt. Avery Leary (Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office), Major Bruce Teutsch (Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office), Cpl. Earl Wright (Baton Rouge City Constable's Office), Major Wendell Raborn (Iberia Parish Sheriff's Office), Capt. Pauline Carter (East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office), Maria Pollage-Toups (Probation & Parole), Asst. Chief Robert Bice (Sterlington Police Dept.), Lt. Bruce Haney (New Orleans Police Dept.), Capt. Lafate Day (Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office), Donald Greene (Office of Inspector General), and Lt. Keith Forsythe (Kenner Police Dept.)

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

CONSENT AGENDA

POST Homicide Investigator Training Waiver Requests – Ratification

Sheriff Prator presented the approved POST Homicide Investigator Training Waiver requests. Sheriff Arbuckle made a motion to ratify the approvals. After some discussion, Chief Bonner seconded the motion and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

POST Basic Curriculum- Update of New Curriculum Development

Ms. Taylor updated the Council members on the progress of new POST Basic Curriculum. No action necessary at this time.

POST Certification Extension Requests – Update

Ms. Taylor presented Attorney General's Opinion #17-0120 to the Council members. The opinion stated "No provision of law allows the POST Council to waive the requirements of La. R.S. 40:2405."

POST Legislative Update

Mr. Wertz explained the updates based on Acts 210, 271, 272, and 177 of the 2017 Legislative Session. Chief Craft told the Council members all Public Records request must be answered by LCLE/POST Staff. No action necessary at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

2016 POST In-Service Training Waiver Request- Ellis J. Melancon, St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office

Ms. Blanchard presented the waiver request to the Council members. The In-service waiver subcommittee recommended approval of the request. Chief Hutchinson made a motion to approve the recommendation of the committee. After some discussion, Mr. Brown seconded the motion and the motion passed.

2016 POST In-Service Training Waiver Request – Richard Arceneaux, LA Attorney General's Office

Ms. Blanchard presented the waiver request to the Council members. The In-service waiver subcommittee recommended denial of the request. Chief Bonner made a motion to deny the request. After some discussion, Mr. Brown seconded the motion and the motion passed.

2016 POST In-Service Training Deficiencies – Revocation Request – Stephen Michael Ducksworth, Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office

Ms. Taylor presented the Revocation request. Sheriff Arbuckle made a motion to revoke the POST certification of Deputy Ducksworth who failed to meet the In-Service Training requirements for 2016. After some discussion, Lt. McClendon seconded the motion and the motion passed.

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POST Homicide Investigator Training - Training Approval Request

Ms. Taylor presented the list of vendors who have provided Homicide Investigator Training to agencies in Louisiana. The following vendors were requested to be approved: Dolan Consulting Group, Public Agency Training Council (PATC), Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM), Inside the Tape, Regional Organized Crime Information Center (ROCIC) Annual Homicide Conference, Southeastern Homicide Investigators Association (SEHIA) Conference, and International Homicide Investigators Association (IHIA) Conference. Chief Bonner made a motion to approve the listed vendors. After some discussion, Asst. Chief DiMarco seconded the motion and the motion passed.

POST Administrative Rule – Proposed changes due to Legislative Updates – Notice of Intent and Declaration of Emergency

Mr. Wertz presented the updates to the Administrative Rule to the Council members. Sheriff Arbuckle made a motion to approve the Notice of Intent and the Declaration of Emergency. After some discussion, Mr. Brown seconded the motion and the motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

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

Sheriff Arbuckle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Lemoine seconded the motion and the motion passed.