

MINUTES
STATE POLICE COMMISSION

DATE: April 14, 2016 TIME: 9:00 A.M.

LOCATION: Office of the State Police Commission
Office of Management Finance & OMV Building
7979 Independence Boulevard, Suite 208
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

PRESENT: W. Lloyd Grafton, Vice Chair ABSENT: Trooper Thomas Doss
Calvin Braxton, Sr.
William Goldring
Donald Breaux VACANCIES: 2

Also Present: Cathy Derbonne, Executive Director
T. Taylor Townsend, Referee
M. Lenore Feeney, Referee

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1. **Call to Order:** The regular monthly meeting of the Louisiana State Police Commission convened at 9:00A.M. on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at the above address.
 2. **Minutes from the February 11, 2016.** Braxton moved to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2016 meeting, which motion was seconded by Grafton, and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the Members present.
 3. **Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others.**
The Commission was addressed by:
 - a. **J. Rickey Lafleur** (attorney for Jesse Scott Perry) inquired about the status of the investigation of the report by his client regarding the prohibited political activity involving board members.
 - b. **T. Taylor Townsend** introduced himself as a new Attorney Referee for the Commission and stated that the matter has been investigated by the request of the Director, which revealed that certain members made political contributions during their time on the Commission in violation of the Louisiana Constitution, Article X, Sec 47, and the SPC rules. A copy of the investigation

report is available but must be requested via written request pursuant to Public Records Law. As a result of the investigative findings, Mr. Franklin Kyle, III resigned from the Commission prior to the meeting. Additionally, Mr. Freddie Pitcher resigned from the Commission for the same reason, however, he did so prior to the commencement of Mr. Townsend's investigation.

4. Commission Business

a. *Request for New Positions.* Cathy Derbonne, Director advised that the Department of Public Safety, Office of State Police submitted a request for consideration of two Sergeant positions. No representatives of the Department were present to explain the details of the request.

Braxton moved to table the request until the next regularly scheduled meeting, which motion was seconded by Grafton, and passed with no opposition.

5. **Next Meeting.** The next regularly scheduled meeting of the State Police Commission is Thursday, June 9, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., at Office of Management Finance & OMV Building, 7979 Independence Blvd., Suite 208, Baton Rouge, La 70809.

6. **Adjournment.** At the conclusion of the Commission's agenda, Braxton moved to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Grafton, and passed with no opposition. The meeting adjourned at 9:25AM.

Respectfully submitted:


W. Lloyd Grafton, Vice-Chairman


Cathy Derbonne, Executive Director