



*State of Louisiana  
Office of the Governor  
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement  
and Administration of Criminal Justice*

**COMMISSION MEETING**  
**APPROVED 11-20-14**

**MINUTES**

*Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center  
201 Lafayette Street  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801  
September 18, 2014  
10:00 a.m.*

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sheriff Mike Cazes, and the Invocation was led by Constable Reginald Brown.

**1. ROLL CALL**

The roll call was conducted by Ms. Lisa Dreher. A membership quorum was established.

The following Commission members or their representatives were present: Sheriff Rodney Arbuckle; Mr. Frank Besson; Chief Barry Bonner; Constable Reginald Brown; Mr. David Burton; Mr. Mike Thompson, proxy for Attorney General James “Buddy” Caldwell; Mayor David Camardelle; Sheriff Mike Cazes; Sheriff Greg Champagne; Ms. Cynthia Austin, proxy for Mr. Paul Connick; Sheriff Austin Daniel; Sheriff Mike Cazes, proxy for Mr. John DeRosier; Mr. James T. “Jay” Dixon, Jr.; Captain Derrell Williams, proxy for Col. Mike Edmonson; Ms. Debbie McBeth, proxy for Sheriff William Hilton; Chief Bill Landry; Chief Bry Layrison; Mr. Jay Lemoine; Ms. Mary Livers; Sheriff Tony Mancuso; Sheriff Willy Martin; Chief Mike Knaps, proxy for Mr. Tony Perkins; Sheriff Steve Prator; Chief Percy S. “Rick” Richard; Chief Carlos Stout; Mr. J. D. Thornton; Sheriff Bud Torres; Sheriff Mike Tubbs;

Sheriff Mike Waguespack; Mr. David Burton, proxy for Mr. J. Reed Walters; Mr. Joey Watson; Judge Mitchell Theriot, proxy for Chief Judge Vanessa Whipple; Judge Laurie White; Lt. Col. Paul Robert, proxy for Sheriff Jeff Wiley; and Captain Patrick Yoes.

LCLE Staff who were present included: Mr. Joey Watson, Mr. Robert Mehrrens, Ms. Lisa Dreher, Ms. Rutha Chatwood, Ms. Linda Gauthier, Ms. Rebekah Taylor, Mr. Bob Wertz, Mr. James Franklin, Ms. Martha Addison, Ms. Marjory Patterson, Mr. Bob Wertz, Ms. Rebekah Taylor, Ms. Erica Johnson, Ms. Keegan Larisey, and Ms. Melanie Vick.

## **II. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, announced the following recently-appointed Commission members: Mayor David Camardelle, President of the Louisiana Municipal Association; and Chief Scott Ford, President of the Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police.

## **III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was made by Constable Reginald Brown, seconded by Chief Bry Layrisson, and motion passed.

## **IV. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on May 22, 2014. A motion was made by Sheriff Rodney Arbuckle, seconded by Constable Reginald Brown, and motion passed.

## **V. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. Report of the Priorities Committee**

Mr. Joey Watson reported that the Priorities Committee met via teleconference at 10:00 a.m. on September 4, 2014. A membership quorum was present. The Committee approved the minutes from the meeting held on May 22, 2014, and recommends approval of all applications, allocations, proposed increases, sole source proposals, and waiver requests of the 48-month limitation rule, as presented.

This concludes the report of the Priorities Committee.

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Constable Reginald Brown and seconded by Sheriff Mike Cazes. The motion carried.

### **B. Report of the Victim Services Advisory Committee**

Chief Deputy Gary Guillory, Board Chairman, reported that the Victim Services Advisory Committee met at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 2014. A membership quorum was present.

Chief Deputy Gary Guillory, Board Chairman, called upon Ms. Rutha Chatwood, Federal Programs Manager, to present the Committee's recommendations.

Ms. Chatwood reported that the Committee recommends approval of the following:

- One allocation for FY 2012 STOP funds in the amount of \$14,835;
- Seven allocations for FY 2013 STOP funds in the amount of \$238,923;
- Three allocations for FY 2012 VOCA funds in the amount of \$35,457;
- A total of 23 allocations for FY 2013 VOCA funds in the amount of \$1,220,772;
- Two increases for FY 2012 STOP funds in the amount of \$22,594;
- One increase for FY 2013 STOP funds in the amount of \$30,654;
  - Increase for No. 1108 - Natchitoches, City of (Page 12 – Increases Ballot) in the amount of \$1,803 was incorrect on the ballot in error. The correct amount should be \$1,673.
  - Increase for No. 1905 - Natchitoches, City of (Page 12 – Increases Ballot) in the amount of \$1,807 was added to the ballot in error. Please withdraw this increase from the ballot.
- Two increases for FY 2012 VOCA funds in the amount of \$10,034;

The Committee recommends approval of the following applications with *special conditions*:

- One application for FY 2012 STOP funds in the amount of \$14,835;
- A total of 14 applications for FY 2013 STOP funds in the amount of \$310,049;
  - Two FY 2013 applications were tabled (Nos. 1929 & 1930; Pages 1 and 2)
- Four applications for FY 2012 VOCA funds in the amount of \$42,457;
  - Application No. 1932 (Page 1): Federal amount of \$4,709 was indicated on the summary sheet. The correct federal amount is \$18,835. There were no changes on the ballot.
- Three applications for FY 2013 VOCA funds in the amount of \$23,177;

This concludes the Victim Services Advisory Committee Report.

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Sheriff Rodney Arbuckle and seconded by Chief Scott Ford. The motion passed.

### **C. Report of the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board**

The Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board met at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 2014. A membership quorum was present. The Board recommends approval of the following:

- Five FY-2012 allocations totaling \$35,385;
- One FY 2014 PREA allocation in the amount of \$79,547;

- One sole source request for the purchase of Audio Video equipment and Software from Thibodaux, City of (Police Department);
- One FY 2011 increase of up to \$2,500 for LCLE's Criminal Records Improvement project;
- One 48-month limit waiver request (East Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office);
- A total of 15 non-confidential applications totaling \$702,476;
- One **Confidential** Application totaling \$20,530;

The Board announced receiving the Byrne FY 2014 PREA Award in the amount of \$79,547.

This concludes the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board Report.

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Sheriff Bud Torres and seconded by Sheriff Greg Champagne. The motion passed.

#### **D. Report of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Advisory Board**

Chairman Chief Bill Landry reported that the JJDP Advisory Board met at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 2014. A quorum was present. The Board recommends approval of the following:

- One allocation for FY 2013 Title II (JJDP) funds in the amount of \$20,515;
- One increase for FY 2011 JABG funds in the amount of \$1,600;
- One application for FY 2012 Title II (JJDP) funds in the amount of \$1,888 with *special conditions*;
- Three applications for FY 2013 Title II (JJDP) funds in the amount of \$67,252 with *special conditions*;
  - Application No. 1888 to be returned; clarification of project goals requested.

This concludes the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board Report.

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Chief Carlos Stout, seconded by Chief Bry Layrisson, and motion passed.

#### **E. Report of the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Advisory Board**

Sheriff Mike Stone, Board Chairman, reported that the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Advisory Board met at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 2014. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommends approval of 80 state-funded grant applications, with the understanding that reductions will be made to the grants based on the available D.A.R.E. budget. These grant applications will be awarded to 23 police departments, one city constable's office, 54 parish sheriff's offices, and two D.A.R.E. training centers.

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Constable Reginald Brown and seconded by Sheriff Rodney Arbuckle. The motion passed.

#### **F. Call for Other Old Business**

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for other old business.

Constable Reginald Brown provided an update on the *Louisiana Law Enforcement Gun Safety Program*, and reported that two additional demonstration trailers will be unveiled at 10:00 a.m. on September 23, 2014, at the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association in Baton Rouge. The United States Department of Justice, Middle District of Louisiana, issued a media release regarding the unveiling on September 10, 2014. A copy of the media release was disseminated to all meeting attendees.

#### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a presentation of the District grant applications. A motion was made by Sheriff Mike Cazes to approve all district grant applications *in globo*. Sheriff Mike Waguespack seconded the motion, and motion passed.

#### **VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Jay Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for other business.

Mr. James Franklin, LCLE Accountant Administrator, reported that the Office of the Legislative Auditor has completed its financial and compliance audit of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement. Mr. Franklin informed the Commission members that they will receive a copy of the audit report via email on September 22, 2014.

Mr. Joey Watson announced that the next Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2014, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Bossier City, Louisiana. The advisory board/committee meetings will be conducted on Wednesday, November 19, 2014.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Sheriff Mike Waguespack and seconded by Sheriff Rodney Arbuckle.

Meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.