

# LOUISIANA COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION MEETING

September 12, 2013

## MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER

Sheriff Jeff Wiley, Chairman of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Sheriff Wiley introduced the following recently-appointed Commission members: Sheriff Willy Martin, St. James Parish Sheriff's Office; Mr. Tony Perkins, former Louisiana State Representative; Mr. Hillar Moore, District Attorney, East Baton Rouge Parish; Chief Barry Bonner, Sterlington Police Department; and Mayor Vern Breland, Mayor, Town of Sterlington.

Sheriff Bud Torres led the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Invocation was led by Mr. Tony Perkins.

### ROLL CALL

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

Commission members or their representatives who were present: Mr. Frank Besson; Chief Barry Bonner; Mayor Vern Breland; Constable Reginald Brown; Mr. David Burton; Mr. Mike Thompson (proxy for Attorney General James "Buddy" Caldwell); Sheriff Mike Cazes; Ms. Cynthia Austin (proxy for Mr. Paul Connick); Sheriff Austin Daniel; Mr. John DeRosier; Chief Mac Dickinson; Capt. Derrell Williams for Col. Mike Edmonson; Sheriff Sid Gautreaux; Mr. David Kent; Mr. Ronald Lampard (proxy for Judge Nancy Konrad); Chief Bry Layrisson; Ms. Genie Powers (proxy for Secretary Jimmy LeBlanc); Mr. Jay Lemoine; Dr. Mary Livers; Sheriff Tony Mancuso; Sheriff Willy Martin; Mr. Hillar Moore; Mr. Tony Perkins; Sheriff Steve Prator; Chief Carlos Stout; Mr. J. D. Thornton; Sheriff Bud Torres; Sheriff Mike Tubbs; Mr. David Burton (proxy for Mr. J. Reed Walters); Mr. Joey Watson; Mr. Mike Lanier (proxy for Chief Judge Vanessa Whipple); Sheriff Jeff Wiley; Mr. Patrick Yoes; and Mr. Lee Clemons (proxy for Judge Paul Young).

LCLE Staff who were present included: Mr. Joey Watson, Executive Director; Mr. Robert Mehrrens; Mr. Rustin Legendre; Mr. Bob Wertz; Ms. Kathy Guidry; Ms. Lisa Dreher; Ms. Rebekah Taylor; Ms. Linda Gautier; Ms. Kimberly Lax, Ms. Crystal Foster; Ms. Erica Johnson; Mr. Tyler Downing; Ms. Rutha Chatwood; and Mr. Bob Miller.

## **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Sheriff Wiley called for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2013 meeting. A motion was made by Sheriff Sid Gautreaux, and seconded by Sheriff Austin Daniel. The motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Report of the Priorities Committee**

Mr. Joey Watson reported that the Priorities Committee met via teleconference at 10:00 a.m. on August 28, 2013. The minutes from the meeting held on May 8, 2013 were approved, as well as all applications, allocations, proposed increases and waiver requests. This concludes the report of the Priorities Committee.

Sheriff Wiley called for a motion to accept. Motion made by Sheriff Austin Daniel, seconded by Sheriff Sid Gautreaux, and motion passed.

### **Report of the Victim Services Advisory Board**

Chief Deputy Gary “Stitch” Guillory reported that the Victim Services Advisory Board met at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2013. A quorum was present.

The Board recommends the following:

1. Recommend approval of a correction to the award amount for subgrant number C10-8-012 in the amount of \$230,404.
2. Recommend approval of the following allocations:
  - a. 3 allocations for FY 2011 VOCA funds in the amount of \$31,243
  - b. 23 allocations for FY 2012 VOCA funds in the amount of \$1,118,806
  - c. 1 allocation for FY 2011 STOP funds in the amount of \$18,693
  - d. 5 allocations for FY 2012 STOP funds in the amount of \$46,399
  - e. 2 allocations for FY 2012 SASP funds in the amount of \$27,652
3. Recommend approval of :
  - a. 3 increases in the amount of \$31,243 in FY 2011 VOCA funding
  - b. 3 increases in the amount of \$25,435 in FY 2012 STOP funding
4. The Board withdrew one application:  
#1338, Natchitoches Domestic Violence Education and Support, “*Domestic Violence Program*”, totaling \$16,585. (3<sup>rd</sup> application found in District 8 – State Level section of your ballot on Page 4.)
5. Recommend approval of:
  - a. No release of funds until staff reviews are satisfied.
  - b. Pre-Award cost waiver of more than 6 months.

- c. No award issued until all agencies submit a current CCR/SAM registration and those agencies with a non-profit status submit the Secretary of State documentation that states agencies are “in good standing” and “active”.
- d. 2 VOCA applications totaling \$9,400
- e. 11 STOP applications totaling \$150,327
- f. 2 SASP applications totaling \$37,150

This concludes the Victim Services Advisory Board Report.

Sheriff Wiley called for a motion to accept. A motion was made by Sheriff Mike Cazes, seconded by Sheriff Austin Daniel, and motion passed.

**Report of the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board**

On behalf Chief Mike Knaps, Chairman, Sheriff Sid Gautreaux reported that the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board met at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2013. A quorum was present.

The Board recommends approval of the following:

- One FY-2010 State-Level Allocation totaling \$7,635;
- One FY-2012 District Allocation totaling \$8,582;
- Complete FY-2013 District Allocations totaling \$2,331,153;
- Complete FY-2013 State-Level Allocations totaling \$999,065;
- Two Waiver Requests of the 48-Month Limitation;
- Two Increase Requests totaling \$46,385;
- 11 non-confidential Applications totaling \$622,943;
- One Confidential Application totaling \$15,364

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

Sheriff Jeff Wiley called for a motion to accept. A motion was made by Constable Reginald Brown and seconded by Sheriff Steve Prator. Motion passed.

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

On behalf of Chief Bill Landry, Chairman, Ms. Kathy Guidry reported that the JJDP Advisory Board met at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2013. A quorum was present.

The Board recommends approval on the following:

1. Four allocations for federal fiscal year 2010 JABG totaling \$23,740; 2 allocations for federal fiscal year 2011 JABG totaling \$56,465; 1 allocation for federal fiscal year 2011 Title II totaling \$25,524; 4 allocations for federal fiscal year 2012 Title II totaling \$31,273;

2. Two increases for federal fiscal year 2010 Title II totaling \$15,606;
3. The Board also recommends the following applications with special conditions on 5 JABG applications totaling \$36,761 and 10 Title II applications totaling \$111,341.

This concludes the Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board Report. Sheriff Wiley called for a motion to accept. A motion was made by Sheriff Mike Cazes, seconded by Chief Carlos Stout, and motion carried.

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

On behalf of Sheriff Mike Stone, Chairman, Sheriff Victor Jones reported that the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Advisory Board met on Wednesday, September 11, 2013, at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center. A quorum was present.

The D.A.R.E. Advisory Board recommended approval of 80 D.A.R.E. state-funded grant applications to 23 Police Departments, one City Constable's Office, 52 Parish Sheriff's Offices, and two D.A.R.E. Training Center grants.

The D.A.R.E. Advisory Board recommended tabling two grant applications for not having a representative present at the mandatory D.A.R.E. Advisory Board meeting. Those agencies are the Covington Police Department and Jackson Parish Sheriff's Office.

The D.A.R.E. Advisory Board recommends approval to the Commission for 78 applications reviewed, with the understanding that cuts will be made to the grants based on the available D.A.R.E. budget.

Sheriff Wiley called for a motion to accept the report. Motion made by Sheriff Gautreaux, and seconded by Sheriff Steve Prator. Motion passed.

### **Call for Other Old Business**

Sheriff Wiley called for other old business. There was no other old business to discuss.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Sheriff Wiley called for a presentation of the District grant applications.

Mr. Robert Mehrtens reported that LCLE now oversees the administration and financial responsibility of the twelve Truancy Assessment Centers. To allow for timely processing and payment, Mr. Mehrtens requested the Commission's approval to approve the grants upon receipt, based on staff recommendations. This will allow the centers to receive timely payment. Any issues will be presented at the November Commission meeting.

Sheriff Willy Martin made a motion for approval of all district grant applications in globo. Mr. Tony Perkins seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Sheriff Wiley called for the report of other business.

Mr. Joey Watson reported that we have received a request from Constable Brown for endorsement, by Resolution, of the Louisiana Law Enforcement Gun Safety Program.

Constable Reginald Brown reported that the endeavor is a collaborative effort between the United States Attorney's Office, the Baton Rouge Constable's Office, and other local and state law enforcement agencies to teach and promote gun safety to Louisiana's youth. Mr. Walt Green and Ms. Holly Sheets, United States Attorney's Office, made a presentation before the Commission.

Sheriff Wiley called for a motion to accept and to issue a Resolution in support of the Louisiana Law Enforcement Gun Safety Program. A motion was made by Mr. Jay Lemoine, seconded by Sheriff Steve Prator, and motion passed.

Mr. Joey Watson reported that, as a cost-saving mechanism, LCLE proposes the implementation of electronic meeting management for future Priorities Committee and Commission meetings. Meeting materials will be accessible through the LCLE website, and details will be provided to Commission members prior to the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Any concerns should be directed to LCLE.

Sheriff Wiley called to a motion to approve. A motion was made by Sheriff Sid Gautreaux, and seconded by Sheriff Steve Prator. Motion passed.

With no further business to discuss, Sheriff Wiley announced that the next Commission Meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2013 at the Baton Rouge Marriott.

Sheriff Wiley asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Sheriff Sid Gautreaux, and seconded by Sheriff Willy Martin. Motion passed.

**Meeting Adjourned**