

**LOUISIANA COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT
COMMISSION MEETING
November 15, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

Sheriff Jeff Wiley, Chairman of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Bobby Gaston. The Invocation was lead by Constable Reginald Brown. Roll call conducted by Erica Matthews. A quorum was present.

Commission members or their representatives that were present: Mr. Reginald Brown; Mr. Jeffrey Bergeron for Attorney General Buddy Caldwell; Ms. Cynthia Austin for Mr. Paul Connick, Jr.; Lt. Col. Murphy Paul for Colonel Mike Edmonson; Mr. Roger Harris for Ms. Jean Faria; Valeka Eskinde for Chief Judge Charles Jones; Ms. Cynthia Austin for Judge Nancy Konrad; Mr. Bill Landry; Ms. Genie Powers for Mr. Jimmy LeBlanc; Chief Chad Leger; Sheriff Jeff Wiley; Deputy David Rigdon for Judge Rudolph McIntyre; Mr. Harry Morel; Harry Morel for David Burton; Sheriff Stephen Prator; Chief Carlos Stout; Chief Administrator John Thornton; Mr. Rodney Arbuckle; Mr. Budd Torres; Mr. Patrick Yoes; Budd Torress for Sheriff Sid Gautreaux; and Mr. Bobby Gaston for Sheriff Mike Cazes; Chief Leger for Chief Guin; Mr. Bobby Gaston for Micheal Ranatza.

LCLE Staff present includes Mr. Joey Watson, Executive Director; Mr. Rustin Legendre, Mr. Bob Wertz; Ms. Kathy Guidry; Ms. Erica Matthews; Ms. Fredia Dunn; Ms. Rebekah Taylor; Ms. Linda Gautier; Ms. Erica Johnson; Mr. Scott Murrell; Mr. Tyler Downing, Ms. Rutha Chatwood, and Bob Miller.

Sheriff Wiley moved to amend the agenda to include, under old business, item A – Egrants Management System Update for today’s meeting.

Sheriff Wiley asked for a motion to accept the amended agenda. Sheriff Daniel made a motion to approve. Constable Brown seconded the motion. Without objection the motion passed

Consideration of Minutes

Sheriff Jeff Wiley asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented (from September 13, 2012). Bill Landry made a motion for approval. Constable Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Report of the Priorities Committee

On October 31, 2012 at 10:00 AM, the Priorities Committee met via teleconference. The Committee recommends approval of all applications, allocations, and adjustments presented and approved by the Priorities Committee. This concludes the Priorities Committee Report.

Sheriff Wiley asked for a motion to approve. Sheriff Prator made a motion to approve. Sheriff Arbuckle seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Report of the Victim Services Advisory Board

The Victim Services Advisory Board met at the Belle of Baton Rouge Hotel in Baton Rouge at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 14, 2012. A quorum was present.

The Board recommends the following:

1. Recommend approval of 46 allocations for FY 2012 VOCA in the amount of \$1,880,595
2. Recommend approval of 2 increases in the amount of \$103,958 in FY 2011 VOCA funding and 2 increases in the amount of 43,834 in FY 2011 VAWA funding.
3. Recommend approval of 1 application in the amount of \$16,995 in FY 2009 VAWA ARRA funding.
4. Recommend approval of a waiver submitted to the Advisory Board by VOCA applicant, New Start Center, Subgrant Number C12-4-009, \$26,487, found on Page 4 of the Commission under District 4, Evangeline. The agency is seeking a waiver of the Victim Services Advisory Board Guideline under VOCA and VAWA Program Requirements, Item G: *“Non-Profit agencies serving victims of domestic violence and sexual assault must meet the program standards adopted by the Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Louisiana Foundation Against Sexual Assault. All reporting requirements established by LCLE must be followed.”*
5. Recommend approval of 66 VOCA applications totaling \$2,942,656 and 5 VAWA applications totaling \$130,617 with special conditions given to the applicants.

6. Recommend approval to remove the tabled VOCA application C11-8-022, LA Mothers Against Drunk Driving, \$75,000, found on Page 6 of the Commission ballot under “District 8 – State Level.” Subgrant representative is present today.
7. Recommend approval of the Updated 2010 – 2012 STOP Implementation Plan to be submitted to the Office for Violence Against Women to meet the requirements stated in Special Condition #31 for the 2012 STOP Grant Award.

This concludes the Victim Services Advisory Board Report.

Sheriff Jeff Wiley reported that further discussion on the C12-4-009, which is the New Start Center.

Joey Watson reported that this would be an explanation of what the Board is recommending in waiving our rule that confers to the rule of the coalition. Beth Meeks has given Mr. Russell Bonewitz, La. Coalition Against Domestic Violence, instructions to request this waiver.

Mr. Bonewitz reported, on behalf of Beth Meeks, as a member of the LCLE Victim Advisory Board, Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence (LCADV) objects to funding New Start.

Sheriff Wiley reported that this grant is a continuation grant. The Evangeline district is requesting the waiver. The Victim Services Advisory Board is in support of the grant and I recommend the commission to follow the recommendations of the committee. Any concerns going forward should be directed to the staff.

Sheriff Wiley asked for a motion to accept the report from the Victim’s Advisory Board report. Bill Landry made a motion for approval. Constable seconded the motion. Without objection the motion passed.

Report of the Drug Control & Violent Crime Policy Board

Mr. Harry Morel reported that the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board met at the Belle of Baton Rouge Hotel in Baton Rouge, at 2:00PM Wednesday, November 14, 2012. A quorum was present.

The Board recommends approval of the following:

- One FY – 2009 State-Level Allocation totaling \$14,101
- Two FY-2010 District-Level Allocations totaling \$9,905
- One ARRA Funding Increase totaling \$75,000
- 46 non-confidential applications totaling \$1,443,626
- 19 **Confidential** Applications totaling \$683,294
- Four Waiver Requests, including one vehicle purchase waiver using ARRA funds
- The continued use of Byrne funds to support the purchase of Tasers as a non-lethal protective weapon and as an allowable piece of equipment for Byrne subgrant projects.

The Board tabled an application from Richland Parish, as they were mistaken about which meeting to attend in Baton Rouge. The representative is present, and we recommend that the Commission approve their Information Systems Upgrade application for \$12,817.

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

Sheriff Arbuckle made a motion for approval. Lt. Col. Murphy Paul seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board

The JJDP Advisory Board met at the Belle of Baton Rouge Hotel in Baton Rouge at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 14, 2012. A quorum was present.

The Board recommends approval on the following:

1. 26 allocations for federal fiscal year 2011 JABG totaling \$535,560 and 1 allocation for federal fiscal year 2011 JJDP totaling \$34,271;
2. 1 increase in the amount of \$40,255 in federal fiscal year 2010 JABG funding and 1 increase in the amount of \$1,414 in federal fiscal year 2010 JJDP funding;
3. 15 JJDP applications totaling \$251,875 with the special conditions given to the applicants along with a sole source approval for the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court.

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

Chief Stout made a motion for approval. Sheriff Arbuckle seconded the motion. The 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 Jeff Wiley called for a presentation of the District grant applications.

Sheriff Prator made a motion for approval of all district grant applications in globo. Constable Brown seconded the motion. Without objection the motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Sheriff Wiley asked for the report of other business.

Robert Mehrtens reported that we have a request to seek commission approval for a budget adjustment that may exceed the amount of the adjustment for the Attorney General, Louisiana Department of Justice, B82-8-140 for substance abuse back to school intervention program.

Sheriff Wiley asked for a motion to adjourn. Chief Stout made a motion to adjourn. Bill Landry seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Kathy Guidry reported that we have found a new grant management system that is designed to manage the agency grants. The new system is called Egrants and is applicable online for staff and sub-grantees. The staff has completed training on this new system and is looking forward to working in the new system. All districts will be converted over into this new system in 2013. Applicants have been advised of the new program and assistance will be provided to those who need it. There will be trainings available for any of the sub-grantees or applicants who may need it.

With no other business to discuss Sheriff Wiley announced that the next Commission Meeting would be on February 21, 2013. Advisory Board Meetings will be held on February 20, 2013. Location of the meeting will be given on later date.

Sheriff Wiley asked for a motion to adjourn. Sheriff Prator made a motion to adjourn. Bill Landry seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned