



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

COMMISSION MEETING
September 29, 2016

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Deputy Gary “Stitch” Guillory, and the Invocation was led by Major Reginald Brown.

II. ROLL CALL

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

The following Commission members or their representatives were present: Sheriff Rodney Arbuckle; Representative Tony Bacala; Deputy Chief Darrell Basco; Mr. John F. K. Belton; Chief Barry Bonner; Major Reginald Brown; Dr. James Bueche; Sheriff Mike Cazes; Judge Hans Liljeberg, proxy for Judge Susan Chehardy; Senator Dan Claitor; Ms. Cynthia Austin, proxy for Mr. Paul Connick; Sheriff Mike Cazes, proxy for Sheriff Austin Daniel; Lt. Robert Davidson; Mr. James “Jay” Dixon; Lt. E. J. Chesne, proxy for Colonel Mike Edmonson; Judge Blair Edwards; Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, proxy for Sheriff Sid J. Gautreaux, III; Ms. Debbie McBeth, proxy for Sheriff William Hilton; Ms. Debbie Hudnall; Chief Hal Van Hutchinson; Chief Bill Landry; Mr. Jeff Bergeron, proxy for Mr. Jeff Landry; Chief Bry Layrison; Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine; Chief Deputy Gary “Stitch” Guillory, proxy for Sheriff Tony Mancuso; Mr. John “Schuyler” Marvin; Lt. Eric Orlando, proxy for Chief Dwayne Munch; Mr. Malcolm Myer; Sheriff Newell Normand; Mr. Jay O’Quinn; Sheriff Steve Prator; Chief Rick Richard; Chief Deputy Carlos Stout; Chief Mike Knaps, proxy for Chief Michael Suchanek; Sheriff Mike Tubbs; and Mr. J. Reed Walters.

The following District Directors or their representatives were present: Mr. Jeremy Edwards, District 1 – Northwest Law Enforcement Planning District, Inc. and District 3 - Red River Delta

Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Ms. Marky Tucker, District 2 – North Delta Law Enforcement Planning District, Inc.; Ms. Amanda Bourque, District 4 – Evangeline Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; and Mr. Ronald E. Lampard, District 7 – Jefferson Community Justice Agencies.

LCLE staff present included: Chief Jim Craft; Ms. Lisa Dreher; Ms. Denise Hernandez; Ms. Rutha Chatwood; Ms. Kim Lax; Mr. Demetrius Joubert; Mr. Ingram Scott; Mr. Bob Wertz; Ms. Melanie Vick; Ms. Erica Johnson; Mr. Kevin Hinote, and Ms. Danielle Betts.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was made by Sheriff Mike Stone, and seconded by Chief Barry Bonner. The motion passed.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Minutes

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on May 12, 2016. A motion was made by Chief Deputy Gary “Stitch” Guillory and seconded by Chief Mike Knaps. The motion passed

B. Report of the Priorities Committee

Chief Jim Craft, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, reported that, on September 7, 2016, the Priorities Committee received all applications, allocations, and proposed increases via electronic mail-out. The Priorities Committee reviewed these items, and recommended approval.

On September 16, 2016, the Priorities Committee was asked to review three additional D.A.R.E. applications which were received after the original deadline of August 15, 2016, due to extenuating circumstances (flooding, office closure of LCLE). The late applications were received from the Red River Parish Sheriff’s Office, the St. James Parish Sheriff’s Office, and the Acadia Parish Sheriff’s Office.

One member of the Priorities Committee opposed the approval of these three applications. It is requested that the Commission consider their approval. If approved, it will bear no impact on the D.A.R.E. applications which were received prior to the August 15th deadline.

This concludes the report of the Priorities Committee.

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Chief Mike Knaps, seconded by Major Reginald Brown, and the motion passed.

C. Report of the Victim Services Advisory Board

Chief Deputy Gary “Stitch” Guillory, Board Chairman, reported that the Victim Services Advisory Committee met at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended approval of the following:

- One VOCA waiver request in the amount of \$4,182;
- One SASP allocation totaling \$7,663;
- One VOCA allocation totaling \$7,176;
- One STOP allocation totaling \$4,767;
- Eight VOCA increases totaling \$229,677;
- One SASP application totaling \$25,200;
- Four VOCA applications totaling \$393,612;
- One STOP application totaling \$4,004;

This concludes the report of the Victim Services Advisory Board.

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Chief Mike Knaps, seconded by Chief Deputy Carlos Stout, and the motion passed.

D. Report of the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board

Chief Mike Knaps, Board Chairman, reported that the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board met at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended approval of the following:

- Five allocations for FY-2014 totaling \$282,553;
- Four increases for FY-2014 totaling \$30,682, funded by FY-2014 District residual funds;
- Eight non-confidential BJAG applications (five applications for FY 2014 totaling \$282,553, and three applications for FY 2015 totaling \$299,241).

All of this activity is for subgrants listed in the eGrants system.

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

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Chief Deputy Carlos Stout, seconded by Major Reginald Brown, and the motion passed.

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

Chief Bill Landry, Board Member, reported that the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board met at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended the approval of the following:

- 11 Title II JJDP allocations for FY 2015 totaling \$382,120;
- One JBAB (JB) increase for FY 2013 totaling \$707;
- One Title II JJDP increase for FY 2012 totaling \$5,553;
- Seven JJDP applications for FY 2015 totaling \$219,880;

This concludes the report of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board.

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Chief Mike Knaps, seconded by Chief Barry Bonner, and the motion passed.

F. Report of the Drug Abuse and Resistance Education Advisory Board

Sheriff Mike Stone, Board Chairman, reported that the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Advisory Board met at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, at the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center. A membership quorum was present.

The D.A.R.E. Advisory Board recommended the approval of the following:

- 73 state-funded grant applications to 19 Police Departments, one City Constable’s Office, 51 Parish Sheriff’s Offices, one D.A.R.E. Training Center, and one City Marshal’s Office.

The D.A.R.E. Advisory Board recommended the **tabling** of the following:

- Grant Number 3407, in the amount of \$5,775, for the Town of Basile Police Department. This grant appears on page 6 of the Commission ballot.

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Major Reginald Brown and seconded by Chief Mike Knaps. The motion passed.

G. Call for Other Old Business

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, called for Other Old Business. There was none to discuss.

V. NEW BUSINESS

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

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Chief Jim Craft, Executive Director of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, announced that Mr. James Franklin, LCLE Accountant Administrator, will be retiring at the end of October, 2016. He introduced Ms. Denise Hernandez, as Mr. Franklin’s replacement.

Chief Craft stated that, after consideration, it has been determined that the 2016 Louisiana Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Ceremony will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2016. Although the ceremony is normally held on Thursday, prior to the Commission meeting, it is necessary to schedule it for Wednesday this year, due to a conflict with Sheriffs’ training on Thursday afternoon in New Orleans. Sheriff Newell Norman briefly explained the training session, and thanked the Commission for moving the Medal of Honor Ceremony to Wednesday, November 16th.

Chief Craft announced that a reception to honor the volunteers and supporters of the Louisiana Law Enforcement Medal of Honor Ceremony will be held on the evening of Tuesday, November 15th. Commission members, LCLE staff, and members of the law enforcement community will be notified of the details at a later date, and invited to attend.

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, announced that the next Commission meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 17, 2016, the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center. The advisory board meetings, as well as the Medal of Honor Ceremony, will be held on Wednesday, November 16, 2016.

Mr. James “Jay” Lemoine, Vice-Chairman, reported that a total of \$7,337,775 was awarded to deserving agencies at today’s meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chief Mike Knaps made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Major Reginald Brown. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.