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## MINUTES OF THE LOUISIANA D.A.R.E. ADVISORY BOARD LOUISIANA COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

September 28, 2016, Wednesday, 10:00 AM  
Hilton Conference Center  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Sheriff Mike Stone called the meeting to order at 10:00 p.m.

Members present were Chairman Sheriff Mike Stone, Chaunda Mitchell, Sheriff Victor Jones, Sheriff Julian Whittington, Sheriff J. Austin Daniel, Sheriff Bobby Guidroz, Pamela Jones (Proxy for LaTianda Davis), Gary Guillory, Chief Mike Knaps, Chief Barry Bonner, Chief Carl Dabadie and Cassy Brou.

The LCLE staff members present were Chief Jim Craft, Bob Wertz, and Erica Johnson.

A quorum was present.

### Consideration of Minutes

Gary Guillory made a motion to accept the minutes, and Chief Mike Knaps seconded it. All members agreed, and the motion passed.

Sheriff Stone advised that Sheriff Falcon from Assumption Parish requested a couple of deputies who had been out of law enforcement for five years; and had to go back through POST refreshers. Sheriff Falcon wanted them to teach DARE before they completed the POST refresher. Sheriff Stone told him that the Board would try to make that accommodation. He advised that Bobby Robinson had talked to the Sheriff, and what was decided was that they would go ahead and let them attend the DARE Officer training in August, with the understanding that the deputies must be POST Certified to teach in the classroom. If everyone agrees, we will send a letter to them explaining the process.

Chief Mike Knaps made a motion to accept the drafting of a letter, and Gary Guillory seconded it. All members agreed, and the motion passed.

Bob Wertz stated that some recommendations were drafted into a reissued executive order for DARE from the Governor's office. The DARE officers would have a more visible

presence and a model of what an ideal police officer is in schools. Another option was to extend the role of School Resource Officers. They should be the role models for police officers.

### **Louisiana D.A.R.E. Training Center**

Randy Aguillard gave the DARE Training Center report.

Randy stated that Louisiana has 235 Certified DARE Officers in the classroom. In August, a DARE Officer Training was conducted in Opelousas and 23 officers graduated. Louisiana has 240 Certified DARE Officers; of those, 55 from Police Departments, 180 from Sheriff's Offices, 4 from Constable's Office and 1 from Marshal's Office. There was a Spring in-service and Fall in-service that was conducted in different areas in the state. The DARE conference had to be moved from Baton Rouge to Alexandria. We had 174 DARE Officers that attended. During 2015-2016 84 observations were conducted.

### **Approval of DARE Officers' Training Student List**

Randy Aguillard presented the DOT Student List for approval.

Sheriff Stone asked for a motion to approve the DOT Student List. Chief Mike Knaps made a motion to approve the DOT Student List, and Sheriff Julian Whittington seconded it. All members agreed and the motion passed.

### **Louisiana DARE Curriculum Study (Pre/Post Test Results) for 2015-2016**

Randy Aguillard also gave a brief report on the Curriculum Study. According to the report from Dr. Tom Kelly there were a couple of questions that several students were missing. After the questions were reworded the students are now getting those questions correct.

### **DARE Officers' Association**

Pamela Jones, proxy for LaTianda Davis gave the DARE Officers' Association report. Pamela stated that the next DARE conference will be in the Shreveport/Bossier area with the projected date of July 17-21, 2017.

### **DARE Funding**

Bob Wertz gave a report of the DARE funding. Bob stated that there was money left over after all of the applications had been approved. The LCLE staff has recommended that the supply fee/per student total be raised from \$6.00 to \$6.50 per student to cover the cost of a DARE T-shirt.

Gary Guillory made a motion to approve raise in cost, and Chief Mike Knaps seconded it. All members agreed and the motion passed.

Sheriff Stone stated that what we are talking about here is making sure the DARE program stays viable in Louisiana. He wants to market the DARE program to the right people. He wanted to entertain creating a board consisting of Chief Mike Knaps, Randy Aguillard, Bobby Robinson and Sheriff Julian Whittington to help market the DARE program to the legislature, the Chiefs, the Sheriffs and reach as many people as we can with the message that we are trying to bring to the children in the classroom.



**D.A.R.E. State Grant Funds**

| <b>GRANT NO.</b> | <b>AGENCY</b>                                | <b>FUNDS REQUESTED</b> |
|------------------|--|------------------------|
| 3304             | Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office              | 55,342                 |
| 3305             | Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office           | 48,141                 |
| 3306             | St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office          | 43,848                 |
| 3307             | City of Rayne                                | 9,062                  |
| 3308             | Sabine Parish Sheriff's Office               | 23,397                 |
| 3310             | Jefferson Davis Parish Sheriff's Office      | 44,952                 |
| 3311             | Union Parish Sheriff's Office                | 21,012                 |
| 3314             | Caldwell Parish Sheriff's Office             | 19,026                 |
| 3315             | St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office           | 46,098                 |
| 3316             | Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office              | 95,630                 |
| 3317             | Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office              | 98,473                 |
| 3320             | St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office           | 24,336                 |
| 3321             | City of Pineville                            | 23,144                 |
| 3322             | Vernon Parish Sheriff's Office               | 43,320                 |
| 3324             | Cameron Parish Sheriff's Office              | 18,228                 |
| 3325             | City of Franklin                             | 10,995                 |
| 3326             | St. Mary Parish Sheriff's Office             | 22,842                 |
| 3327             | Plaquemines Parish Sheriff's Office          | 17,660                 |
| 3328             | Concordia Parish Sheriff's Office            | 43,143                 |
| 3329             | Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office                | 55,420                 |
| 3331             | City of Ville Platte                         | 10,355                 |
| 3333             | City of Kenner                               | 48,170                 |
| 3334             | St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office          | 67,248                 |
| 3335             | City of Baker                                | 25,052                 |
| 3336             | Richland Parish Sheriff's Office             | 22,092                 |
| 3338             | St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff's Office | 20,441                 |
| 3340             | LaSalle Parish Sheriff's Office              | 22,890                 |
| 3344             | Grant Parish Sheriff's Office                | 24,266                 |
| 3346             | City of Shreveport                           | 120,084                |
| 3347             | City of Shreveport Marshal's Office          | 11,748                 |
| 3349             | City of Monroe                               | 24,504                 |
| 3355             | City of Covington                            | 24,092                 |
| 3357             | Red River Sheriff's Office                   | 14,029                 |
| 3362             | Village of Moreauville                       | 2,998                  |
| 3363             | East Carroll Parish Sheriff's Office         | 11,322                 |
| 3364             | Pointe Coupee Parish Sheriff's Office        | 23,389                 |
| 3365             | Winn Parish Sheriff's Office                 | 22,596                 |
| 3366             | City of Opelousas                            | 55,674                 |
| 3367             | West Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office     | 17,005                 |
| 3369             | City of Minden                               | 21,228                 |
| 3372             | Webster Parish Sheriff's Office              | 21,537                 |
| 3373             | DeSoto Parish Sheriff's Office               | 25,550                 |

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| 3374 | Town of Madisonville                        | 23,682    |
| 3375 | Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office            | 22,038    |
| 3376 | Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office            | 49,044    |
| 3377 | Catahoula Parish Sheriff's Office           | 21,726    |
| 3380 | City of Crowley                             | 14,253    |
| 3381 | Beauregard Parish Sheriff's Office          | 23,032    |
| 3383 | Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office           | 24,426    |
| 3384 | Claiborne Parish Sheriff's Office           | 18,821    |
| 3385 | Allen Parish Sheriff's Office               | 39,797    |
| 3386 | Morehouse Parish Sheriff's Office           | 25,758    |
| 3387 | Bienville Parish Sheriff's Office           | 14,153    |
| 3388 | Tensas Parish Sheriff's Office              | 7,214     |
| 3389 | Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office           | 80,655    |
| 3390 | City of Leesville                           | 20,292    |
| 3391 | East Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office      | 18,241    |
| 3392 | West Feliciana Parish Sheriff's Office      | 27,068    |
| 3393 | Assumption Parish Sheriff's Office          | 71,154    |
| 3394 | Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office           | 139,353   |
| 3395 | City of DeRidder                            | 18,840    |
| 3396 | City of Baton Rouge                         | 69,048    |
| 3398 | Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office          | 70,373    |
| 3399 | Avoyelles Parish Sheriff's Office           | 22,174    |
| 3400 | Calcasieu Parish S. O.—DARE Training Center | 280,000   |
| 3403 | Town of Ferriday                            | 15,240    |
| 3404 | City of Morgan City                         | 21,378    |
| 3405 | Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office        | 101,419   |
| 3406 | St. Helena Parish Sheriff's Office          | 7,626     |
| 3407 | Town of Basile                              | 5,775     |
| 3408 | City of Abbeville                           | 6,651     |
| 3409 | East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office    | 98,637    |
| 3411 | Acadia Sheriff's Office                     | 20,448    |
| 3412 | St. James Sheriff's Office                  | 59,271    |
|      | TOTAL                                       | 2,837,926 |

Application number 3407, Town of Basile, was tabled due to lack of representation. Chief Mike Knaps made a motion to accept all other applications, and Sheriff J. Austin Daniel seconded it. All members agreed, and the motion passed, with Gary Guillory abstaining on application numbers 3394 and 3400.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board Adjourned.