

**LOUISIANA COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT  
D.A.R.E. ADVISORY BOARD  
Wednesday, September 2, 2015, 3:30 P.M.**

Sheriff Mike Stone called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Members present were Chairman Sheriff Mike Stone, Missy Graves, Sheriff Victor Jones, Doyle Dempsey (Proxy for Sheriff Julian Whittington), Sheriff J. Austin Daniel, Sheriff Bobby Guidroz, Bobby Robinson, Gary “Stitch” Guillory, Chief Mike Knaps, Alison Canter, Chief Barry Bonner, Chief Carl Dabadie and Cassy Brou.

The LCLE staff members present were Joey Watson, Bob Wertz and Erica Johnson.

A quorum was present.

**Consideration of Minutes**

Chief Mike Knaps made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 17, 2014 meeting. Sheriff J. Austin Daniel seconded it. All members agreed, and the motion passed.

**Louisiana DARE Training Center**

Randy Aguiard gave the DARE Training Center report. Randy stated there are currently 220 certified DARE officers; 180 of those officers are actively teaching in the classroom. Over 188 DARE officers attended the state Conference. The State Conference was held in New Orleans August 4-7 in conjunction with the National DARE Conference. The 38<sup>th</sup> DARE Officers Training was held August 10-21 in Pineville LA. Graduation was held on August 21, 2015. 19 officers from Louisiana graduated. During the training a telephone poll was conducted to have the list of officers approved. Randy made a request for a motion to ratify that list of officers for the training.

Chief Mike Knaps made a motion to ratify the list of officers that graduated from the DARE Officers Training, and Sheriff Bobby Guidroz seconded it. All members agreed, and the motion passed.

### **Louisiana DARE Officers' Association**

Rene Thibodeaux gave a report on the DARE Officers' Association. Rene thanked the Sheriffs and Chiefs that came to the Conference and assisted with the Taste of Louisiana. It was a big hit. Everyone from around the United States was talking about it. Rene stated that he was not sure where the Conference for next year will be located or when it will be held. He said he has 5 contracts from different hotels mostly in the Baton Rouge area that are interested in hosting the DARE conference next year.

### **Louisiana DARE Curriculum Study (Pre/Post Test Results) for 2014 – 2015 Academic Year**

Randy Aguiard gave a brief report on the curriculum study. According to the report from Dr. Kelly, after changes were made to a few questions, the instrument that we have now should continue to be effective for the next several years. The study documents that children receiving the DARE Program in Louisiana continue to gain knowledge about the harmful consequences of drug use and how to make safe, responsible decisions. During the in-service visit in the International discussion, all of the other states actually looked at Louisiana's Pre-Test/Post-Test because they want to compare it with the status of the children in their states.

### **DARE Funding**

Sheriff Mike Stone asked for a motion to accept the applications, but holding Kenner Police Department's application until a letter is received explaining why their representative was not at the meeting. Chief Mike Knaps made a motion to accept the applications and give LCLE the authority to reduce them as necessary. Sheriff Bobby Guidroz seconded it. The motion passed.

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

AGENCY	FUNDS REQUESTED
Caldwell Parish SO	21,712
St. Mary Parish SO	20,592
City of Franklin	11,206
Jefferson Davis Parish SO	45,206
Tangipahoa Parish SO	48,212
St. Martin Parish SO	24,286
St. Landry Parish SO	46,292
Union Parish SO	21,646
Lafourche Parish SO	85,912
Concordia Parish SO	44,026
City of Opelousas	46,838
LaSalle Parish SO	23,026
Lincoln Parish SO	105,347
City of Covington	24,502
City of Crowley	9,375
East Carroll Parish SO	20,860
City of Rayne	9,159
St. Charles Parish SO	67,824
City of Ferriday	15,916

Webster Parish SO	21,916
Town of Madisonville	22,536
Claiborne Parish SO	23,736
Livingston Parish SO	81,588
Cameron Parish SO	18,074
Franklin Parish SO	22,162
Bossier Parish SO	61,324
Rapides Parish SO	97,878
City of Pineville	23,848
Sabine Parish SO	22,954
Calcasieu Parish SO (DTC)	300,000
West Baton Rouge Parish SO	21,946
City of Alexandria	24,232
Plaquemines Parish SO	65,478
Avoyelles Parish SO	35,734
City of DeRidder	22,756
Morehouse Parish SO	25,516
City of Minden	23,872
Vernon Parish SO	43,532
Assumption Parish SO	67,035
Caddo Parish SO	47,894
St. Bernard Parish SO	44,066
St. John Parish SO	33,782
City of Kenner	48,602
Acadia Parish SO	24,388
Tensas Parish SO	13,626
Vermilion Parish SO	24,376
City of Monroe	23,530
Town of Basile	20,670
Winn Parish SO	16,711
Terrebonne Parish SO	50,366
City of Abbeville	6,721
Richland Parish SO	23,926
Ouachita Parish SO	51,710
Natchitoches Parish SO	111,558
East Baton Rouge Parish SO	98,018
Allen Parish SO	40,499
City of Baker	23,044
City of Shreveport	121,047
Baton Rouge City Constable's Office	68,880
City of Baton Rouge	53,752
Calcasieu Parish SO	141,021
West Feliciana Parish SO	27,348
East Feliciana Parish SO	14,363
St. James Parish SO	29,020
Grant Parish SO	24,048
St. Helena Parish SO	24,168
Beauregard Parish SO	23,602

City of Morgan City	22,606
City of Leesville	20,040
Pointe Coupee Parish SO	23,818
Red River Parish SO	16,757
Bienville Parish SO	15,957
Catahoula Parish SO	21,826
City of Ville Platte	16,207
DeSoto Parish SO	25,570
City of Mandeville	26,596
	3,138,167

Doyle Dempsey, proxy for Julian Whittington, abstained from the application for Bossier Parish SO; Sheriff J. Austin Daniel abstained from the application for West Feliciana Parish SO; Gary Guillory abstained from the two applications for Calcasieu Parish SO; and Chief Mike Knaps abstained from the application for Baker Police Department.

**Next Meeting Date**

The next DARE Advisory Board Meeting has a tentative date of Summer, 2016.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board Adjourned.