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Commission Meeting
MINUTES

West Baton Rouge Conference Center
2750 North Westport Drive
Port Allen, Louisiana 70767

June 22, 2023
10:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A quarterly meeting of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice was held on Thursday, June 22, 2023, at the West Baton Rouge Conference Center. Sheriff Sid J. Gautreaux, III, Commission Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Chairman Gautreaux recognized Marshal Reginald Thomas, President of the Louisiana City Marshals and City Constables Association, as a new Commission member.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Bill Landry, and Invocation was led by Col. Lamar Davis.

II. ROLL CALL

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

The following Commission members or their representatives were present: Chief Ricky Anderson; Sheriff Jason Ard; Representative Tony Bacala; Chief Darrell Basco; Chief Barry Bonner; Chief Rickey Boudreaux; Chief Deputy Harold Jean Batiste, Jr., proxy for Sheriff Becket Breaux; Mr. Otha "Curtis" Nelson, proxy for Judge Michelle Breaux; Sheriff Jason Ard, proxy for Sheriff Mike Cazes; Mr. Bill Hendrix, III, proxy for Sheriff Kevin Cobb; Ms. Cynthia Austin, proxy for Mr. Paul D. Connick, Jr.; Mr. Gregory Davies, proxy for Lt. Robert Davidson; Mr. Gregory Davies; Col. Lamar Davis; Mr. J. Reed Walters, proxy for Ms. Bridget A. Dinvaute; Chief Carl K. Dunn; Mr. James McGee, proxy for Mr. Stephen C. Dwight; Col. Carlos Stout, proxy for Sheriff Mark Garber; Sheriff Sid J. Gautreaux, III; Chief Judge John M. Guidry; Mr. J. Reed Walters,

proxy for Mr. Billy Joe Harrington; Chief Bill Landry; Mr. Jeff Bergeron, proxy for Attorney General Jeff Landry; Chief Bry Layrisson; Mr. Malcolm G. Myer, proxy for Secretary James LeBlanc; Sheriff Sid Gautreaux, III, proxy for Mr. Jay Lemoine; Chief Deputy Gary “Stitch” Guillory, proxy for Sheriff Tony Mancuso; Sheriff Brett Stassi, proxy for Sheriff Willy J. Martin, Jr.; Mr. Otha “Curtis” Nelson; Mr. Michael Nicolini, proxy for Mr. Jay O’Quinn; Sheriff Jason Parker; Mr. Michael Williams, proxy for Chief Judge Elizabeth A. Pickett; Sheriff Brett Stassi; Col. Carlos Stout; Marshal Reginald Thomas; Chief Genoria D. Tilley; 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.; Mr. Bill Hendrix, III, District 2 – North Delta Law Enforcement Planning District, Inc.; Ms. Dawn Hawkins, District 5 – Capital District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Ms. Calli Peloquin, District 6 – Southwest District Law Enforcement Planning Council, Inc.; Chief Jim Craft, District 8 – State Level; and Ms. Jenny Alber, District 9 – City of New Orleans, Office of Criminal Justice Coordination.

LCLE staff present included: Ms. Autumn Blache, Mr. Steven Brailsford, Ms. Rutha Chatwood, Mr. Christian Colarines Ms. Stephanie Conerly, Chief Jim Craft, Ms. Lisa Dreher, Ms. Fredia Dunn, Ms. LaShinna Gauthier, Ms. Shelita Henry; Mr. Demetrius Joubert, Mr. Marshall Menou, Ms. Brittany Onezine, Ms. Kelly Parks, Ms. Donna Ritchie, Ms. Hope Russo, Ms. LaShunda Sullivan, Ms. Rebekah Taylor-Hill,, Mr. Raymond Vincent, Mr. Bob Wertz, and Ms. Shawn Walker, and Ms. Whitley Williams.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was made by Chief Bonner, seconded by Col. Stout, and the motion passed without opposition.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Minutes

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on March 30, 2023. A motion was made by Mr. Myer, seconded by Sheriff Stassi, and the motion passed without opposition.

B. Report of the Priorities Committee

Chief Craft reported that, on June 6, 2023, the Priorities Committee received all allocations, applications, proposed increases, and sole source requests and 48-month waiver requests via electronic mail-out. On June 8, 2024, the Priorities Committee received additional allocations and applications related to the Byrne-JAG Program. The Priorities Committee reviewed these items and recommended approval on June 12, 2023. All items will be considered for final approval at the June 22, 2023 Commission meeting.

This concludes the report of the Priorities Committee.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Mr. Myer, seconded by Chief Deputy Guillory, and the motion passed.

C. Report of the Victim Services Advisory Board

Board Chair Gary “Stitch” Guillory reported that the Victim Services Advisory Committee met at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at the West Baton Rouge Conference Center. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended approval of the following:

- 1 FY 2019 STOP allocation totaling \$56,719
- 3 FY 2020 STOP allocations totaling \$164,535
- 4 FY 2021 STOP allocations totaling \$107,765
- 1 FY 2019 STOP applications totaling \$56,719
- 3 FY 2020 STOP applications totaling \$164,535
- 2 FY 2021 STOP applications totaling \$14,129
- 1 FY 2021 STOP increase totaling \$40,112
- 1 FY 2020 VOCA allocation totaling \$106,358
- 2022-2025 STOP Implementation Plan
- 181 FY 2022 VOCA allocations totaling \$17,147,988
- 2 FY 2020 VOCA applications totaling \$169,385
- 97 FY 2022 VOCA applications totaling \$9,687,474
- 7 FY 2020 VOCA increases totaling \$266,619
- 4 FY 2021 VOCA increases totaling \$49,881
- 1 FY 2020 VOCA sole source request totaling \$1,849

This concludes the report of the Victim Services Advisory Board.

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Col. Stout, seconded by Sheriff Stassi, and the motion carried without opposition.

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

Ms. ViEve Martin-Kohrs, Board Chair, reported that the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Advisory Board met at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at the West Baton Rouge Conference Center. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended approval of the following:

- 11 JJDP allocations for FY 2020 totaling \$574,818
- 6 applications for FY 2020 totaling \$287,478

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

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Sheriff Stassi, seconded by Mr. Myer, and the motion unanimously passed.

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

Col. Carlos Stout, Board Chair, reported that the Drug Control and Violent Crime Policy Board met at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 21, at the West Baton Rouge Conference Center. A membership quorum was present.

The Board recommended approval of the following:

- 11 allocations for FY 2021 totaling \$225,004
- 1 increase for FY 2021 totaling \$11,945 (Grant No. 7001)
- 17 applications for FY 2021 totaling \$280,435
- All waivers requested, received, and reviewed by LCLE staff.

All of this activity is listed in the eGrants system

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

Chairman Gautreaux called for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Chief Deputy Guillory, seconded by Sheriff Stassi, and the motion passed.

F. Approval of LCLE Revised Grant Funding Formula

Sheriff Gautreaux called for a motion to approve the LCLE Revised Grant Funding Formula that was presented for review at the March Commission meeting. A motion was made by Chief Bonner and seconded by Sheriff Parker. The motion unanimously passed without opposition.

V. CALL FOR OTHER OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Gautreaux called for Other Old Business, and there was none to discuss.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Report on POST Collections/Expenses

Chief Craft presented a report on the current budget situation related to POST collections and expenses. LCLE will provide an update and recommend a course of action at the September Commission meeting.

B. Presentation of Grant District Applications

Chairman Gautreaux called for a presentation of the District grant applications. A motion was made by Sheriff Ard to approve all of the District grant applications *in globo*. The motion was seconded by Col. Stout, and the motion carried without opposition.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Next Commission Meeting Date

Chairman Gautreaux announced that the next quarterly Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at the West Baton Rouge Conference Center. The advisory boards will meet on Wednesday, September 27, 2023, at the same venue.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Gautreaux reported that a total of \$11,535,045 was awarded to deserving agencies at today's meeting and called for a motion to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chief Layrisson, seconded by Sheriff Stassi, and the motion unanimously passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.