

LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA TASK FORCE

June 11, 2020

A meeting of the Law Enforcement Data Task Force was held Thursday, June 11, 2020, at the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office Headquarters in Baton Rouge, LA. Capt. Boudreaux called the meeting to order.

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS/ROLL CALL AND QUORUM DETERMINATION

Capt. Boudreaux requested Ms. Rebekah Taylor conduct the roll call. The following members were present (either in-person or by phone): Capt. Denise Boudreaux (LA Commission on Law Enforcement – Task Force President), Sgt. Matthew Cowden (LA POST Council), Chief Tommy Clark (LA Association of Chiefs of Police), Mr. Chris Stewart (LA American Federation of Labor – Congress of Industrial Organizations), Lt. Robert Burns (LA State Police), Mr. Norman Govert (LA Supreme Court), Mr. Terry C. Landry, Jr. (Southern Poverty Law Center), Ms. Airzola Cleaves (Sexual Trauma Awareness and Response), and Ms. Linda Lightfoot (Public Affairs Research Council). Capt. Boudreaux determined a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Chief Clark made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. After some discussion, Mr. Landry seconded the motion and the motion passed.

TASK FORCE DUTIES

Capt. Boudreaux requested task force members to volunteer for duties listed in Act 165. Mr. Stewart stated he would email agencies to get the "current methods of data collection in the State of Louisiana." Mr. Stewart stated he would email other states to get "current methods of data collection outside of the State of Louisiana" and "current methods of reporting data outside the State of Louisiana." Mr. Landry recommended this inquiry also include regional results. Capt. Boudreaux and Mr. Landry recommended the "methods of utilizing data collection and reporting to improve public safety, community engagement, and public confidence in law enforcement" be tabled until other tasks are completed. Mr. Stewart stated he would collect "the manner in which rural and small law enforcement agencies currently comply with data collection requirements in other states" while emailing other states. Capt. Boudreaux recommended the "recommendations on the expansion of data collection and reporting" be tabled until other tasks are completed. Capt. Boudreaux addressed "possible methods of transmitting collected data by law enforcement agencies for aggregated presentation" by explaining Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) and Louisiana Incident Based Reporting System (LIBRS). Mr. Govert stated he would research other methods of data transmission. Capt. Boudreaux informed the task force members she has requested the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement to begin "a cost analysis for the collection of extensive data...", and the LCLE will report back to the task force once the analysis is complete. Ms. Taylor volunteered the POST Staff (at LCLE) to begin collection of Louisiana law enforcement agencies' racial profiling policies and staff will review for compliance with R.S. 32:398.10(E). Ms. Taylor will also make report to the task force at the next scheduled meeting on the collection of the policies.

CALL FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Capt. Boudreaux made a call for public testimony, and none was heard.

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NEXT TASK FORCE MEETING DATE

Capt. Boudreaux informed the task force members of the next scheduled meeting on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 1:00pm. This meeting will be held at the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office Headquarters, and call in capabilities will be available.

OTHER BUSINESS

Capt. Boudreaux made a call for other business, and none was heard.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Lightfoot made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Landry seconded the motion and the motion passed..