
Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards
Commission Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2017
Lansing, Michigan

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Michael Wendling, representing the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan
Chief David Molloy, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police
Col. Kriste Kibbey Etue, representing the Michigan State Police
Sheriff Doug Wright, representing the Michigan Sheriffs' Association
Ms. Anica Letica, representing Attorney General Bill Schuette
Mr. Ken Grabowski, representing the Police Officers Association of Michigan
Sheriff Timothy Donnellon, representing the Michigan Sheriff's Association
Mr. Arthur Weiss, representing the Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan
Chief Donald Mawer, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police
Mr. Duane Smith, representing the Police Officers Labor Council
Trooper Nate Johnson, representing the Michigan State Police Troopers Association
Chief Tim Bourgeois, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police
Mr. Richard Heins, representing the Michigan Association of Police
Cpl. Brian Earle, representing the Deputy Sheriff's Association of Michigan

COMMISSION MEMBERS EXCUSED

Sheriff Jerry Clayton, representing the Michigan Sheriffs' Association
Mr. Mark Diaz, representing the Detroit Police Officers Association
Asst. Chief James White, representing the Detroit Police Department
Mr. David Hiller, representing the Michigan Fraternal Order of Police
Mr. Thomas Adams, representing the Public

STAFF PRESENT

Ms. Hermina Kramp, MCOLES Interim Executive Director
Mr. John Szczubelek, Assistant Attorney General and Commission Counsel
Ms. Jacquelyn Beeson, MCOLES Staff
Mr. Danny Rosa, MCOLES Staff
Mr. David Lee, MCOLES Staff
Mr. Ryan Speidel, MCOLES Staff
Mr. Pat Hutting, MCOLES Staff
Ms. Rhonda Hooson, MCOLES Staff
Ms. Sandi Luther, MCOLES Staff
Mr. Greg Kalisz, MCOLES Staff
Ms. Diane Horwath, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Deb Thelen, MCOLES Staff
Mr. Wayne Carlson, MCOLES Staff

GUESTS (SIGNING-IN)

Commander Mark Bliss, Detroit Police Department
Sergeant John Meka, Department of Natural Resources
Mr. Jim Schaefer, Detroit Free Press
Sergeant Carl Billings, Detroit Fire Department

CALL TO ORDER

The Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Michael Wendling on December 6, 2017 at 10:30 AM. The meeting was held at the MCOLES Office in Lansing, Michigan.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Wendling introduced himself and then asked the Commissioners, staff and audience members to do the same.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE NOVEMBER 1, 2017 COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Molloy and supported by Commissioner Donnellon to approve the November 1, 2017 Commission Meeting Minutes as written.

A **VOTE** was taken. The **MOTION** carried.

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - None

CHAIR'S REPORT

LEO Population Report – Chair Wendling advised that the LEO Population Report for the month of October had been provided for the Commissioners' review. He added that there was a slight decline in the number of positions and one fewer officer from the previous month.

Special Use Request - The Special Use Request report was also provided for the Commissioners. There were no questions or comments.

Grant Adjustments – The Commissioners had an opportunity to review this report also. There were no questions or comments.

Selection Committee – Chair Wendling advised that at the November 1 meeting a conditional offer of employment was made to Tim Bourgeois. The conditions included passing a thorough background investigation, drug screen and psychological assessment. He stated that all terms of the conditional offer had been met. He then asked if there were any further questions or if there needed to be any further discussion.

Commissioner Tim Bourgeois asked to recuse himself from the discussion and upcoming vote.

There were no questions and Commissioner Donnellon stated he appreciated the efforts of the committee especially since this turned out to be such a long process

Chair Wendling stated to effectuate Mr. Bourgeois' appointment he would entertain a motion.

A **MOTION** was then made by Commissioner Molloy and supported by Commissioner Grabowski to allow the Commission Chair and the Director of the Michigan State Police to work with Mr. Bourgeois and the Human Resources Division to execute a contract with Mr. Bourgeois governing the terms of this appointment.

A **VOTE** was taken. The **MOTION** carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2018 Commission Meeting Dates – Interim Executive Director Kramp advised that at the last meeting the only recommendation was that the February 2018 meeting be changed to February 14. There were no objections so the list of commission meeting dates provided to the Commissioners will be posted on the MCOLES website.

Competitive Grants/Funding Update – Acting Executive Director Kramp advised that at the last meeting she reported that there was no funding available for competitive grants this year. At that time it was requested that she provide continual updates on the budget. Since then there has been no turnaround in the justice training fund. The revenue received for September and October continued to fall and the revenue for November has not yet been posted. With costs continuing to rise and revenue continuing to decline it appears that the funding issues will continue for 2019 which will result in no grants. She advised that she will continue to monitor and report back to the Commission.

Commission Appointments – Six Commissioners have terms expiring on December 31, 2017. The six commissioners are Jerry Clayton, David Hiller, Arthur Weiss, Donald Mawer, Richard Heins and Duane Smith. Ms. Kramp advised that she had spoken with the Governor's Appointments Office and was told that all of the associations had submitted the required paperwork. Hopefully all of the new appointments will be approved by the February Commission meeting.

Job Task Analysis – The bidding process for a vendor to assist us with conducting the new JTA has been completed. A contract was awarded to SPI Services, LLC. This is a vendor we are familiar with and have had a very good working relationship with in the past. Their bid was very reasonable

and therefore will allow us to cover some of the meeting and report expenses related to completing the task.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating Committee – Commissioner Donnellon, chair for the Nominating Committee, was called on to give his report. He stated that the recommendation from the Committee was to keep the current Chair, Mike Wendling, and the current Vice-Chair, David Molloy, in place for another year.

Chair Wendling asked if there were any other nominations that needed considered. There were none.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Etue and supported by Commissioner Wright to close the nominations.

A **VOTE** was taken. The **MOTION** carried.

A **MOTION** was then made by Commissioner Etue and supported by Commissioner Donnellon for Mike Wendling to remain as Chair and David Molloy to remain as Vice-Chair of the Commission.

A **VOTE** was taken. The **MOTION** carried.

CONSENT AGENDA – There was no consent agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Commission Resolution 2017-13 – Honoring Firefighter Kevin Ramsey

Commissioner Wendling asked Sergeant Carl Billings from the Detroit Fire Department to join him at the podium. Chair Wendling read into record Commission Resolution 2017-13 honoring fallen firefighter Kevin Ramsey.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Molloy and supported by Commissioner Bourgeois to approve the resolution and offer the Public Safety Officer Benefits.

A **VOTE** was taken. The **MOTION** carried.

Sergeant Carl Billings from the Detroit Fire Department addressed the group. He stated that he had worked with Kevin his last day. He added they had been busy with several building fires, an elevator rescue and two other fires. He stated that Firefighter Ramsey was a hard worked. He stated that he will be missed and thanked the Commission on behalf of the Ramsey family.

Annual Registration and MITN – Mr. David Lee, Section Manager for the Licensing and Administrative Services unit addressed the Commission. He stated he was going to explain the process used by all agencies to complete the Annual Registration Process. He added that it is a mandatory reporting per Statute and it is done once a year. The process consists of the following steps:

1. Print Instructions
2. Update the Agency Profile (agency head, administrative contact, fiscal officer)
3. Verify the Agency Roster
4. Stipulate to the Active Duty Firearms
5. Complete the hours worked by all officers
 - a. Important because the number of hours worked now determines your eligibility time period.
 - b. The number of hours worked is also used to calculate the Law Enforcement Distribution (LED) amount to each agency.
6. The agency must register for LED for next year.
7. Report expenditures for LED. These can include in-service training, supplies and operating costs, equipment and consortium fees.

Annual registration will be open from January 2, 2018 through March 2, 2018. Notices will be sent out to the agencies and training providers.

OLD BUSINESS – None

MISCELLANEOUS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None


NEXT MEETING

Date: February 14, 2018 @ 10:30 AM

Location: Lansing

ADJOURNMENT:

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Molloy and supported by Commissioner Heins to adjourn the meeting.

APPROVED BY  ON 2/14/18

WITNESSED BY  ON 2.14.18