# Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards

# **Commission Meeting Minutes**

September 17, 2014 Lansing, Michigan

## **COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT**

Director John Calabrese, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police Sheriff James Bosscher, representing the Michigan Sheriffs' Association Mr. Ken Grabowski, representing the Police Officers Association of Michigan Lt. Col. Richard Arnold, representing Michigan State Police Mr. John Buczek, representing the Fraternal Order of Police Sheriff Leo Mioduszewski, representing the Michigan Sheriffs' Association Mr. Fred Timpner, representing the Michigan Association of Police Mr. Richard Weiler, representing the Police Officers Labor Council Professor Ron Bretz, representing the Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan Mr. Matthew Schneider, representing Attorney General Bill Schuette

#### **COMMISSION MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Sheriff Jerry Clayton, representing the Michigan Sheriffs' Association
Chief Doreen Olko, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police
Chief Donald Mawer, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police
Mr. Michael Wendling, representing the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan
D/Sgt. Chris Luty, representing the Michigan State Police Troopers Association

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. David Harvey, MCOLES Executive Director

Ms. Hermina Kramp, MCOLES Deputy Executive Director

Ms. Jacquelyn Beeson, MCOLES Staff

Mr. John Steele, MCOLES Staff

Mr. Patrick Hutting, MCOLES Staff

Mr. David Lee, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Diane Horwath, MCOLES Staff

Mr. Danny Rosa, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Joyce Nelson, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Rhonda Miller, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Gina Rosendall-Saucedo, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Sandi Luther, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Holly Baer, MCOLES Staff

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Commission meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair John Calabrese on September 17, 2014 at 10:35 AM. The meeting was held at the MCOLES Office in Lansing, Michigan.

#### INTRODUCTIONS

Vice-Chair Calabrese introduced himself and asked the Commissioners, staff and audience members to do the same. He also advised that Chair Clayton was unable to attend the meeting.

# ACCEPTANCE OF THE JUNE 18, 2014 COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Bosscher and supported by Commissioner Buczek to approve the June 18, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes as written.

A VOTE was taken. The MOTION carried.

#### ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There was one change to the agenda. The Executive Committee meeting was cancelled and therefore no report would be given.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

<u>Law Enforcement Officer Position Report</u> – Vice-Chair Calabrese advised this report was part of the electronic distribution that the Commissioners received. The slight downward trend continued.

<u>Special Use Requests</u> – Vice-Chair Calabrese stated the Special Use Requests report was included in the electronic distribution. There were no questions or comments.

<u>Grant Adjustments</u> – Vice-Chair Calabrese advised this report was included in the Commission documents. Again there were no questions or comments.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

<u>TTL Shortage</u>: Executive Director Harvey advised reimbursement from the Training to Locals Fund was disbursed in September. In the past the reimbursement has been \$1,400.00 for each individual an agency sponsored through a basic training academy. Due to a decrease in collections and an increase in expenses the amount was reduced to \$1,000.00. He also stated that next year it is a possibility that MCOLES will not be able to reimburse any money.

2015 Grant Application Update: Executive Director Harvey reminded the Commissioners that through the audit process there was approximately \$1,000,000.00 found that could be added to the grant funds distributed for FY15. He stated that without this one time addition of funds, there would have been approximately \$500,000.00 to distribute. This year there were 30 applications with a total request of funds being \$2,047,105 in comparison to last year in which there were 36 applications totaling \$2,029,971.

<u>Proposed 2015 Commission Meeting Schedule:</u> Director Harvey stated that the proposed 2015 Commission meeting dates had been part of the electronic distribution. He requested that everyone check their calendars for conflicts and a vote would be taken at the November meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** - There were no Committee reports.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

<u>Revocations</u> – Director Harvey advised that there were a total of seven revocations for consideration. He explained that all of them had been through the administrative process and the recommendation was revocation for all seven cases under consideration. He stated that there can be one vote under a consent agenda for revocation of all seven licenses.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Bosscher and supported by Commissioner Weiler to approve the revocation of licenses for Wilbert Brewer, Mark Armstrong, Steven Keene, Michael S. Smith, Ralph Cierpial, William Rice, and Todd Lewis.

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

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Commission Resolution 2014-06 – Honoring Firefighter Nathaniel Fruin</u>: Vice-Chair Calabrese read into record Commission Resolution 2014-06 honoring fallen Firefighter Nathaniel Fruin and Extending Public Safety Officer's Benefit.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Grabowski and supported by Commissioner Timpner to approve Commission Resolution 2014-06 Honoring Nathaniel Fruin and Extend Public Safety Officer Benefit.

A VOTE was taken. The MOTION carried.

Mental Health Response Training: In 2008, pursuant to an interdepartmental grant from the Michigan Department of Corrections, MCOLES created and administered a mental health response program for active duty law enforcement officers, mental health services workers, corrections officers, and local jailers. The funding for this project ended in 2011, however some independent vendors continue to deliver this program.

Senator Caswell chairs the Mental Health Committee. Director Harvey advised that Senator Caswell approached him and they scheduled a meeting. Senator Caswell wanted mental health to be part of in-service training. Director Harvey advised that he agreed with the Senator and now MCOLES is currently conducting a detailed review of the mental health response training. Today he is asking that the Commission approve the staff's plan to update the mental health training materials, including the agency model policy and make the law enforcement response to those with mental disorders one of the MCOLES advisory in-service training standards. At the November meeting they hope to bring the final training specifications back to the Commission to request approval as an advisory in-service training standard for active duty officers.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Weiler and supported by Commissioner Timpner to approve the MCOLES staff's plan to update the mental health training materials, including the agency model policy and make the law enforcement response to those with mental disorders one of the MCOLES advisory in-service training standards.

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

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

Strategic Plan Update: Deputy Executive Director Hermina Kramp advised the Commission that the Strategic Plan Update report was part of the electronic distribution. She noted that everything in red was new since the last update. She also stated that some dates are coming due and some of the tasks were not completed within the expected time frame. She said that this was directly related to staffing issues. She also added that we moved forward with many of the other tasks.

<u>Fiscal Year End</u>: Ms. Kramp also reminded the Commissioners that any outstanding invoices or travel reimbursement requests needed to be in before September 30, 2014 which is the fiscal year end.

<u>New Travel Rates</u>: Deputy Director Kramp advised the Commissioners that there was an increase in the travel rates with regard to meals. The new rate sheet can be found in their portfolios.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - There was no public comment.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting is: November 5, 2014 at the MCOLES Offices.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM on September 17, 2014.

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