Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards

Commission Meeting Minutes

December 10, 2014 Lansing, Michigan

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Sheriff Jerry Clayton, representing the Michigan Sheriffs' Association 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

Mr. Fred Timpner, representing the Michigan Association of Police

Mr. Richard Weiler, representing the Police Officers Labor Council

Ms. Laura Moody, representing Attorney General Bill Schuette

Chief Doreen Olko, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police

Mr. Michael Wendling, representing the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan

COMMISSION MEMBERS EXCUSED

D/Sgt. Chris Luty, representing the Michigan State Police Troopers Association Sheriff Leo Mioduszewski, representing the Michigan Sheriffs' Association Professor Ron Bretz, representing the Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan Chief Donald Mawer, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police

OTHERS PRESENT

- Mr. David Harvey, MCOLES Executive Director
- Ms. Hermina Kramp, MCOLES Deputy Executive Director
- Mr. John Szczubelek, Assistant Attorney General and Commission Counsel
- 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

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Ms. Gina Rosendall-Saucedo, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Sandi Luther, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Holly Baer, MCOLES Staff

Mr. Wayne Carlson, MCOLES Staff

Mr. Lynn Ried, MCOLES Staff

Ms. Deb Thelen, MCOLES Staff

OTHERS SIGNED-IN

Sgt. John Meka, DRN Law Enforcement Division

Mr. Fred Stanton, Schoolcraft College

Ms. Marla McCowen, State Appellate Defender's Office

Acting Chief Todd Opperman, Village of Dundee Police Department

Sgt. Tim Garbo, Monroe County Sheriff's Office

Sgt. David Buchko, Monroe County Sheriff's Office

Mr. Larry Burdick, Prosecuting Attorneys Coordinating Council

CALL TO ORDER

The Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Jerry Clayton on December 10, 2014 at 10:35 AM. The meeting was held at the MCOLES Office in Lansing, Michigan.

Chair Clayton asked for a moment of silence to honor Deputy Grant Whitaker of the Ingham County Sheriff's Office who was killed in the line of duty on December 7, 2014.

INTRODUCTIONS

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

ACCEPTANCE OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2014 COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Olko and supported by Commissioner Buczek to approve the November 5, 2014 Commission Meeting Minutes as written.

A VOTE was taken. The MOTION carried.

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

CHAIR'S REPORT

<u>Law Enforcement Officer Position Report</u>—Chair Clayton advised the electronic distribution contained the LEO population report for the month of November. The decrease in agency count is due to the closure of the Cedar Springs Police Department. While the officer and position counts increased by 56/58 respectively, this is partly due to the licensing of 80 MSP troopers. Otherwise, the results would have shown a continued downturn.

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

<u>Grant Adjustments</u> –Chair Clayton advised that the Commissioners received an electronic copy of this report. Again there were no questions or comments.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

<u>Ingham County Sheriff's Office</u>: Executive Director Harvey advised that MCOLES had personally delivered the PSOB paperwork to Ingham County regarding the death of Deputy Whitaker.

<u>Annual Registration</u>: Director Harvey stated that Annual Registration would begin on January 5, 2015 and extend through March 6, 2015. He added that this is a very stressful time for staff. If any Commissioners receive questions regarding the process, have them contact MCOLES staff.

Office Issues – Director Harvey said that he had advised the Commissioners about the environmental/mold issues we were having in the office. He told the Commissioners that Boji brought in a professional company to remediate the situation. He stated that he worked with MSP and Lt. Col. Arnold to get the process started and he greatly appreciated their assistance. The work has started and he is optimistic that Boji will follow through with the clean-up.

SB 411 and 412 – Executive Director Harvey advised that HB 411 and 412 were not taken up by the Judiciary Committee. He stated that he had done everything possible and doesn't understand why they did not look at the Bills. He stated that he asked Senator Schuitmaker to reintroduce the Bills in 2015 and we will start the process over.

Commissioner Olko expressed her disappointment that with the current climate concerning police that the State House refused to look at the Bills.

Oakley Police Department – Commissioner Buczek asked Director Harvey if he had any update on the Village of Oakley Police Department. Executive Director Harvey stated that as of today they had reactivated Oakley as an agency and reactivated their licensed officers. John

Szczubelek added that there are five lawsuits pending in Saginaw. Most of the lawsuits were brought by village council members. One of the lawsuits is requesting a ban of village council members from releasing the name of the reserve officers in the Village of Oakley. Per Mr. Szczubelek any law enforcement officer remaining anonymous is unprecedented. He stated he asked the Attorney General to intervene and declare that the use of these reserve officers is illegal.

<u>Commissioner Appointments</u> – Executive Director Harvey advised that the status of the appointments remains the same. The current expired Commissioners, which there are now 9, can continue to serve.

<u>Budget Sub-Committee</u> – Director Harvey said that the Budget Sub-Committee is going to need to show a direct impact of the lack of money for MCOLES. They need to show that without funding, MCOLES will be unable to provide direct training.

Commissioner Clayton added that he wants to thank the Commissioners who were willing to serve on the sub-committee. He stated that the following Commissioners were appointed:

- 1. Commissioner Calabrese will chair the meeting.
- 2. Commissioner Moody
- 3. Lt. Col. Arnold
- 4. Commissioner Grabowski

The sub-committee will have their first meeting in January and the chair will update the full commission.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating Committee – Commissioner Wendling advised that they had not held a meeting as of today's date. However on behalf of the Committee he would like to nominate Commissioner Clayton as Chair and Commissioner Calabrese as Vice-Chair.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Buczek and supported by Commissioner Bosscher to approve the nomination of Commissioner Clayton as the Chair and Commissioner Calabrese as the Vice-Chair.

A VOTE was taken. The MOTION carried.

CONSENT AGENDA - None

NEW BUSINESS

Commission Resolution 2014-07 – PSOB Patrick Hill – Chair Clayton read into record Commission Resolution 2014-07 honoring Fallen Officer Patrick Hill of the Detroit Police Department.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Weiler and supported by Commissioner Olko to approve Commission Resolution 2014-07 honoring Fallen Officer Patrick Hill and Extend Public Safety Officer Benefit.

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

<u>Commission Resolution 2014-08</u> – PSOB Rodney Jones – Chair Clayton read into record Commission Resolution 2014-08 honoring Fallen Officer Rodney Jones of the Detroit Police Department.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Wendling and supported by Commissioner Weiler to approve Commission Resolution 2014-08 honoring Fallen Officer Rodney Jones and Extend Public Safety Officer Benefit.

A VOTE was taken. The MOTION carried.

<u>Commission Resolution 2014-09</u> – PSOB John Allison – Chair Clayton read into record Commission Resolution 2014-09 honoring Fallen Fire Chief John Allison of the Custer Fire Department.

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Bosscher and supported by Commissioner Olko to approve Commission Resolution 2014-09 honoring Fallen Fire Chief John Allison and Extend Public Safety Officer Benefit.

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

OLD BUSINESS

2015 Competitive Grants – John Szczubelek addressed the Commissioners and explained the Michigan Law Governing Public Officers. He stated that there is statute governing Public Officers that states they shall not use their office for personal gains. With this in mind he advised the Commissioners that to avoid any appearance of violating the statute, he would recommend that the Commissioners who have any connection to the grantees receiving funds for 2015 abstain from voting on that grant.

Gina Rosendall-Saucedo, Grants Manager, spoke to the Commissioners. She wanted to recognize all of the grant and financial officers who submitted the grant requests. She also

thanked the Career Development staff for their program reviews of the applications. She stated with Commission approval they will start funding the grants for 2015. She advised that there were 36 grant applications of which 31 were funded and 5 that were not. The total amount awarded was \$1,628,646.25. The following recommendations were read into record.

Michigan Justice Training Fund 2015 Competitive Grant Applications - Final Recommendation

Comm Number	Applicant	Project Title	December Recommendation
ADJ-01	Michigan Judicial Institute	Court Support Personnel Training Project - Year 20	\$11,477.10
DEF-01	State Appellate Defenders Office	Assigned Appellate Counsel Training	\$7,019.00
DEF-02	State Appellate Defenders Office	Defender Books & Legal Technology Training	\$63,349.60
DEF-03	State Appellate Defenders Office	Defender Training: Colleges and Conferences	\$81,474.00
LE-01	Department of Natural Resources	Active Shooter Instructor-Train the Trainer	\$0.00
LE-02	Department of Natural Resources	Advanced Off Road Patrol Tactics Training	\$0.00
LE-03	Department of Natural Resources	Advanced Search and Rescue	\$12,187.39
LE-04	Department of Natural Resources	Basic Search and Rescue	\$40,385.72
LE-05	Department of Natural Resources	Law Enforcement Responses to Modern Situations	\$0.00
LE-06	Department of Natural Resources	Swiftwater Surface Rescue Level 1	\$0.00
LE-07	Eastern Michigan University	School of Staff & Command	\$0.00
LE-08	Ferris State University	Central West Michigan Law Enforcement Training	\$10,623.20
LE-09	Grand Valley State University	Police Response to Active Shooter, Instructor Certification	\$19,310.00
LE-10	Grand Valley State University	Police Precision Driving	\$84,127.00
LE-11	Ingham County Sheriff's Office	Capital Area Emergency Vehicle Operations Program	\$73,185.90
LE-12	Jackson Police Department	Emergency Vehicle Operations	\$29,322.61
LE-13	Kellogg Community College	Tri-County Law Enforcement Training	\$23,549.89
LE-14	Kirtland Community College	Advanced Law Enforcement Refresher Training (ALERT)	\$69,104.64
LE-15	Lansing Police Department	Emotional Survival for Law Enforcement	\$19,200.00

LE-16	Michigan State Police	Building Forensic and Investigative Capacity in Technology	\$135,223.34
LE-17	Michigan State Police	Firearms Instructor School	\$39,225.40
LE-18	Michigan State Police	Leadership in Police Organizations	\$100,495.50
LE-19	Michigan State University	School of Staff and Command	\$38,485.55
LE-20	Monroe County Sheriff's Office	Regional Training Plan 2015	\$60,820.74
LE-21	Northern Michigan University	Law Enforcement In-Service	\$160,943.40
LE-22	Schoolcraft College	Wayne County Regional Police Training	\$81,274.05
LE-23	Village of Dundee Police Department	2015 Monroe County Municipal Agencies Regional Training	\$5,449.85
LE-24	Washtenaw Community College	Online Active Duty Firearms Training	\$27,728.75
PA-01	Prosecuting Attorney Coordinating Council	Prosecutor Training	\$166,561.85
SPEC-01	Michigan State Police	Biometrics and Identification Division Training	\$73,508.00
SPEC-02	Michigan State Police	Forensic Science Division Training	\$194,613.77

31 GRANT APPLICATIONS

\$1,628,646.25

The following Commissioners recused themselves from voting on the below listed grants:

Commissioner Wendling

PA-01 and LE-08

Commissioner Bosscher

LE-14

Commissioner Clayton

LE-24

Lt. Col. Arnold

LE-16, LE-17, LE-18, SPEC-01 and SPEC-02

A **MOTION** was made by Commissioner Wendling and supported by Commissioner Bosscher to approve funding the 2015 competitive grants.

A VOTE was taken. The MOTION carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

Chair Clayton advised that the most recent updated Strategic Plan was part of the electronic distribution that the Commissioners received.

Deputy Director Kramp pointed out some of the newest updates. They were as follows:

- 1. The new Budget Sub-Committee was added.
- 2. She advised that MITN training had been taken on the road and was very successful.
- 3. Gina Rosendall-Saucedo will be conducting regionalized grant workshops this year. She will be meeting with smaller groups and the workshops will be more specific to each of their agency's grants.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Clayton asked if there was anyone in the audience that wished to address the Commission. The following individuals spoke:

- 1. Fred Stanton from Schoolcraft College addressed the group. He wanted to thank the Commission for the grant they were awarded. He stated that the consortium served thirty-one different departments and over 1,200 officers attended training.
- 2. Sgt. John Meka from the DNR-Law Enforcement Division spoke. He thanked the Commission and the MCOLES staff for their grant. He said they recently hired 44 new officers and all of them will attend the training.
- 3. Larry Burdick from the Prosecuting Attorney Defender's Office stated on behalf of the 825 prosecutors he wanted to thank the Commission.
- 4. Ms. Marla McCowen from State Appellate Defender's Office stated that she works with the defense attorneys and she thanked MCOLES staff and the Commission for funding their grant.
- 5. Sgt. Tim Garbo from the Monroe County Sheriff's Office thanked the Commission and staff for funding the grant. He also wanted to especially thank Gina Rosendall-Saucedo for always being there to assist if they had questions or problems.

Commissioner Olko stated that she was disturbed and disappointed with the dwindling amount of funds that were available for the competitive grants. At one point in the past there was \$11 million to be distributed compared to the \$1.6 million this year.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is: February 11, 2015 at the MCOLES Offices.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Olko made a **MOTION** to adjourn and was supported by Commissioner Bosscher.

APPROVED BY

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