

**LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS BOARD (LESB)
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (EC) MEETING**

MINUTES – MAY 12, 2020

ATTENDANCE:

LESB EC MEMBERS

Chris Domagalski
Scott Parks
Anna Ruzinski
Tina Virgil
Michelle Viste

ABSENT MEMBERS:

STAFF

Stacy Lenz
Katie Maule
Jerry Mullen
Thessa Phillips
Frank Sullivan
Dana Vike
Steve Wagner

1. **Call the Meeting to Order** – Chris Domagalski called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.
2. **Introductions**
3. **Proof of Posting of Meeting Notices**
The meeting notice publication procedures were followed in compliance with Wis. Stat. §19.84.
4. **Requests for Waiver of Training & Education Requirements for Officers, Civilians & Instructors.**

Preparatory Training Waiver Requests

- a. Ahles, Kyle M – Pre-employed
Staff recommends successful completion of the Reciprocity Examination. Successful completion will result in certifiability as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin for one year from the date of the exam. The applicant shall complete the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination by June 2021.
- b. Compton, Matthew H – Pre-employed
Staff recommends successful completion of the Reciprocity Examination. Successful completion will result in certifiability as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin for one year from the date of the exam. The applicant shall complete the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination by June 2021.
- c. Davis, Patrick C – Pre-employed
Staff recommends successful completion of the Reciprocity Examination. Successful completion will result in certifiability as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin for one year from the date of the exam. The applicant shall complete the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination by June 2021.
- d. Fletcher, Justin E – Pre-employed
Staff recommends successful completion of the Reciprocity Examination. Successful completion will result in certifiability as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin for one year from the date of the exam. The applicant shall complete the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination by June 2021.

- e. Reynolds, James A – Pre-employed
Staff recommends successful completion of the Reciprocity Examination. Successful completion will result in certifiability as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin for one year from the date of the exam. The applicant shall complete the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination by June 2021.
- f. Schultz, Michael B – Pre-employed
Staff recommends successful completion of the Reciprocity Examination. Successful completion will result in certifiability as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin for one year from the date of the exam. The applicant shall complete the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination by June 2021.
- g. Shawanokasic, Joshua M – Pre-employed
Staff recommends successful completion of the Reciprocity Examination. Successful completion will result in certifiability as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin for one year from the date of the exam. The applicant shall successfully complete the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination by June 2021.
- h. Trabler, JR R – Pre-employed
Staff recommends successful completion of the Reciprocity Examination. Successful completion will result in certifiability as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin for one year from the date of the exam. The applicant shall successfully complete the Law Reciprocity Examination by June 2021.
- i. Goodin, Benjamin M – Appleton Police Department
Staff recommends successful completion of the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination. The applicant shall successfully complete the Reciprocity Examination within their probationary period of employment and no later than 10/16/2020.
- j. Juanez, Baudelio – Division of Criminal Investigation
Staff recommends successful completion of the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination. The applicant shall successfully complete the Reciprocity Examination within their probationary period of employment and no later than 3/16/2021.
- k. Mason, Jeffrey D – Waupaca Police Department
Staff recommends successful completion of the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination. The applicant shall successfully complete the Reciprocity Examination within their probationary period of employment and no later than 2/9/2021.
- l. Thayer, Richard A – Twin Lakes Police Department
Staff recommends successful completion of the Law Enforcement Reciprocity Examination. The applicant shall successfully complete the Reciprocity Examination within their probationary period of employment and no later than 2/17/2021.

Motion to accept staff recommendations for preparatory training waivers. Move by Anna Ruzinski, second by Michelle Viste. Motion carried unanimously.

College Credit Waiver Requests

- a. Arneson, Zachary – Military
Staff recommends Mr. Arneson receive a waiver for 30 college credits.
- b. Fletcher, Justin – Military/Law Enforcement Academy
Staff recommends Mr. Fletcher receive a waiver for 30 college credits.
- c. Haskins, Breanna – Military
Staff recommends Ms. Haskins receive a waiver for 19 college credits.
- d. Kilcoyne, Haden – Law Enforcement Academy
Staff recommends Mr. Kilcoyne receive a waiver for 20 college credits.
- e. Kvacik, Robert – Military
Staff recommends Mr. Kvacik receive a waiver for 21 college credits.
- f. Moehling, Richard – Military
Staff recommends Mr. Moehling receive a waiver for 30 college credits.
- g. Much, Beau – Military
Staff recommends Mr. Musch receive a waiver for 30 college credits.
- h. Niles, Stacy – Military
Staff recommends Ms. Niles receive a waiver for 28 college credits.

Motion to accept staff recommendations for college credit waivers. Move by Anna Ruzinski, second by Michelle Viste. Motion carried unanimously.

Instructor Waiver Requests

- a. Swartz, Michael – Blackhawk Technical College
Staff recommends against a waiver.

Discussion:

Chief Ruzinski asks staff if Mr. Swartz is teaching at Blackhawk Technical College and if the college has encouraged him to request a waiver? Thessa Phillips states that Mr. Swartz is currently employed by Blackhawk Technical College as a security officer. He had heard about the LESB instruction and wanted to teach general jail topics and handgun in the academy.

Motion to accept staff recommendations for instructor waiver requests. Move by Anna Ruzinski, second by Michelle Viste. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Requests for Extension of the Time Limits to Gain Employment and Requests for Extension of the Time Limits to Complete Preparatory Training for Officers & Civilians.

- a. Kaufmann, Savannah – Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Office
Staff recommends Savannah Kaufmann receive an extension until December 31, 2020 to allow her to complete preparatory training.

- b. Gottschalk, Michael – Langland County Sheriff's Office
Staff recommends Michael Gottschalk receive an extension until December 31, 2020 to allow him to complete preparatory training.
- c. Vollmar, Logan – Langlade County Sheriff's Office
Staff recommends Logan Vollmar receive an extension until June 1, 2021 to allow him to complete preparatory training.
- d. Franklin, Melissa – UW Madison Police Department
Staff recommends Melissa Franklin receive an extension until June 1, 2020 to allow her to complete preparatory training.

Staff amends the recommendation for Melissa Franklin to receive an extension until June 30, 2020. Jerry Mullen has been informed by the Madison College academy director that they will not be conducting final scenarios and the exit PRT until June.

Discussion:

Chief Ruzinski asks if the Melissa Franklin has requested an extension before this meeting? Jerry Mullen states that this is Ms. Franklin's extension request.

Motion to accept staff recommendations for extension requests of time to complete basic training requirements with the amendment to allow Melissa Franklin until June 30, 2020 to complete basic training. Move by Anna Ruzinski, second by Michelle Viste. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Training & Standards Bureau Update (T&S)

- Steve Wagner has been hired as the new Director of the Training and Standards Bureau. Mr. Wagner started working in Training and Standards on April 13, 2020 after working as a Law Enforcement Officer at Racine Police Department for 29 years.
- Training and Standards is looking at possibly providing an online option to complete the Instructor Updates for fall 2020 and spring 2021 due to COVID-19 and budget restrictions. Staff is working on how to make the different breakout sessions and the legal update work with an online platform.
- The academies continue working with Training and Standards to make sure the Wilenet information shows how they are currently holding their basic training courses. T&S is planning to have a meeting with the academy directors on June 22, 2020.
- Laurie Valley has recorded two podcasts for the Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI). In each podcast Laurie interviews a subject matter expert on a topic to do with sexual assault training. Attorney General Josh Kaul was the subject matter expert on her first podcast and the Crime Lab's Administrator and Deputy Administrator, Nikki Roehm and Jen Naugle, were interviewed on her second podcast. Once the podcasts are approved, they will be posted on Wilenet.
- The Curriculum Advisory Committee (CAC) will meet on May 21, 2020. Training and Standards will present the CAC with updates to the Handgun Qualification curriculum as well as other curriculum updates.
- Chief Ruzinski asks Training and Standards if the academy directors think their online instruction is adequate? T&S cannot say for sure what the academy directors are thinking about online training, but there are some concerns about bringing recruits back into the classroom.

- Some academies have tried to do in-person instruction with smaller groups, but technical colleges are able to put in their own restrictions on the manner of instruction during the pandemic.
- All Training and Standards can do is to provide guidance with how to conduct online training or how to conduct in-person training safely. Online instruction at some academies may have to continue for a while longer.
- Chief Ruzinski is concerned that the academies may want to continue using online instruction following the pandemic.
- Jerry Mullen states that the academy status chart has been updated in Wilenet for all academies except for Chippewa Valley Technical College. Some academies are holding in-person classes with small groups.
- Chief Domagalski asks if online instructor updates will allow for more people to complete the update requirement? Dana Vike states that attendees usually prefer in-person instruction especially for the hand-on topics like handgun or vehicle pursuit. Hopefully, instructors will see the online training as an opportunity to complete the requirement early and not wait to complete it in person.

7. Public Comment/Roundtable

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Anna Ruzinski, second by Michelle Viste. Motion carried unanimously.

s/ Tina R. Virgil

Tina R. Virgil
Secretary

Minutes taken by Katie Maule.