

MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL TRAINING COMMISSION

***TELECONFERENCE* Minutes – 203rd Meeting – June 8, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT

LaMonte E. Cooke, Director of Correctional Services, Queen Anne’s County Department of Corrections (Vice-Chair)

Secretary Sam Abed, Department of Juvenile Services

Symphar R. Charles, Chief, Learning and Career Development, Federal Bureau of Prisons

Lieutenant Christopher Duffy, Correctional Officer of the State of Maryland

Brandon Foster, representing Sheriff Troy Berry, President, Maryland Sheriff’s Association

Melinda Grenier, President, Maryland Criminal Justice Association

Annie Harvey, Deputy Commissioner of Corrections, Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services

Wayne Hill, Deputy Secretary of Operations, Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services

Lynette Holmes, Deputy Director, Department of Juvenile Services

Zenita Hurley, Assistant Attorney General representing Brian E. Frosh, Attorney General

Captain Daniel Lasher, Allegany County Detention Center

Wallis Q. Norman, Deputy Secretary of Operations, Department of Juvenile Services

MEMBERS ABSENT

Secretary Robert L. Green, Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Chair)

Dr. Beverly O’Bryant, representing Dr. Maria Thompson, President, Coppin State University

Demetrius Page, Division of Parole and Probation

Thomas Reece, President, Maryland Correctional Administrators Association

STAFF PRESENT

Albert L. Liebno, Jr., Executive Director, Police & Correctional Training Commissions

Jennifer Beskid, Director of Policy, Process & Grants

Sarah Chatfield, Media Specialist

Jeanne Chenoweth, Recorder

Katie Johnson, Recorder

Matthew Mellady, Assistant Attorney General

GUESTS

None

The 203rd meeting of the Correctional Training Commission (CTC) was held via teleconference, and called to order by the Vice-Chair, Mr. LaMonte Cooke, at 1:32 p.m. A quorum was present.

The agenda was as follows:

1. Announce Outcome of Closed Session Issue from April 8, 2021
2. Approval of Minutes – April 8, 2021
3. Old Business
 - a. Final Approval of Amendments to COMAR 12.10.01.01 and 12.10.01.22 – Prior Substance Abuse by Applicants for Certification
4. New Business

A roll call was taken of all members, staff and guests on the call.

1. Announce Outcome of Closed Session Issue from April 8, 2021

Mr. Cooke announced the outcome of the issue discussed during April's closed session.

2. Approval of Minutes – April 8, 2021

Mr. Cooke asked the members to review the minutes.

A MOTION to approve the minutes from the April 8, 2021 meeting was made by Ms. Melinda Grenier: SECONDED: Lt. Christopher Duffy. The MOTION carried.

3. Old Business

a) Final Approval of Amendments to COMAR 12.10.01.01 and 12.10.01.22 – Prior Substance Abuse by Applicants for Certification

Mr. Albert Liebno, Executive Director of the MD Police & Correctional Training Commissions (MPCTC), stated that proposed amendments were published in the Maryland Register in April and received no comments. The amendments can go into effect as of July 1, 2021 if final approval is granted by the members.

A MOTION to approve the proposed amendment was made by Capt. Daniel Lasher: SECONDED: Mr. Brandon Foster. The MOTION carried.

It was noted that the legislature passed a bill this year in regards to police agencies consideration of marijuana use as a factor in hiring. This does not affect the hiring standards of correctional positions at this time.

4. New Business

Ms. Jennifer Beskid noted that the Professional Development Funds will be available as of July 1, 2021. Information will be announced on MDLE.net.

Mr. Cooke stated the next meeting will be held in-person in Sykesville on July 15.

A MOTION to adjourn was made by Lt. Christopher Duffy: SECONDED: Mr. Brandon Foster. The MOTION carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

<p>These “minutes” are a synopsis of the Commission’s discussion and decisions and <u>not</u> a verbatim rendering of the proceedings.</p>
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