

**MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND  
STANDARDS COMMISSION  
REDACTED Minutes – 9th Meeting – October 3, 2018**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Colonel William Pallozzi, Secretary, Department of State Police (Chair)  
Mr. Wes Adams, Maryland State's Attorneys' Association  
Sheriff Timothy Cameron, representing the President, Maryland Sheriff's Association  
Mr. Clyde Boatwright, representing the Maryland State Fraternal Order of Police  
Captain W. Michael Crabbs, Community Policing Expert  
Mr. Miguel Dennis, Policing Standards Expert  
Sergeant Allison Ehart, Howard County Police Department, Regional Representative  
Dr. Michael Finegan, Mental Health Expert  
Chief Edward Hargis, President, Maryland Chiefs of Police Association  
Chief David Spencer, representing the Chair, Maryland Municipal League Police Executive Association  
Chief Michael Wynnyk, representing the President of the Police Chiefs Association of P.G. County  
Sheriff Troy Berry, Charles County Sheriff's Office, Regional Representative (Vice-Chair)  
Sheriff Joseph Gamble, Wor-Wic Program Advisory Committee – Criminal Justice  
Ms. Gwendolyn Smith, representing the President of the Maryland Law Enforcement Officers, Inc.  
Mr. Matthew Alonsozana, Citizen of the State  
Mr. Marcus Pollock, Citizen of the State

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Chief Barbara Duncan, Salisbury Police Department, Regional Representative  
Mr. Gordon Johnson, Special Agent in Charge, Baltimore Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Mr. Stuart Nathan, Assistant Attorney General, representing the Office of the Attorney General  
Interim Commissioner Gary Tuggle, Baltimore Police Department  
Mr. Michael A. Jackson, State Delegate  
Mr. Curt Anderson, State Delegate  
Mr. Michael Hough, State Senator  
Mr. Victor Ramirez, State Senator

**STAFF PRESENT**

Jama Acuff, Compliance Officer  
Tracey Hyatt, Compliance Specialist  
Kate Gossard, Director of Support Services  
Maryann Foxwell, LDI Director  
Robert Wagner, Director of Police Training  
Jennifer Beskid, Grants Coordinator  
Katie Johnson, Registrar  
Karen J. Kruger, Executive Director, Public Safety Education and Training Center  
Albert L. Liebno, Jr., Deputy Director  
Lewis Pindell, Media Specialist  
Michelle Wilson, Assistant Attorney General  
Jeanne Chenoweth, Recorder

**GUESTS**

Keith Hicks, Training Directors Association  
Jim Phillips, Anne Arundel County Police Department

Wesley Forchion, Maryland State Police  
April Fullwood, Baltimore City Community College  
Leonard Willis, Baltimore City Community College  
Jessica Williams, Office of the Attorney General  
Laura Jessick, MCASA  
Colonel Ken Ziegler, Natural Resources Police  
Lt. Perry Standfield, Baltimore Police Department  
Lt. Col. Dave McDowell, Calvert County Sheriff's Office  
T.D. Reese, Calvert County Sheriff's Office

Colonel William Pallozzi called the 9th meeting of the Police Training and Standards Commission (PTSC) at the Public Safety Education and Training Center to order at 10:04 a.m. A quorum was present. Colonel Pallozzi welcomed everyone and asked those present to introduce themselves. He expressed his sympathy to Chief Barbara Duncan on her recent loss and mentioned that Chief Michael Wynnyk would be retiring in the near future and that this would be his last meeting.

The agenda was as follows:

1. Approval of Minutes – July 18, 2018
2. Facility Report
3. Legal Issues
4. Annual Election of Chair & Vice-Chair – Effective January 1, 2019
5. Old Business
  - a) Update on Job Task Analysis
  - b) Update on Amendment to COMAR 12.04.01.01 and 12.04.01.04, Mental Health Professional Definition and Interview Requirements and COMAR 12.04.07, SWAT Regulations
  - c) Trial Board – Civilian Training
  - d) Update on HB1016 Activities
6. New Business
  - a) Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Subcommittee
  - b) Proposed 2019 Meeting Schedule
7. Request for Waiver of Entry Level Training Requirements for Recertification
8. Request for Dual Certification and Waiver of Entry Level Training Requirements for Recertification
9. Request for Waiver of Prior Drug Use Standards for Certification

**1. Approval of Minutes – July 18, 2018**

Colonel William Pallozzi asked the Members to review the minutes of the 8th meeting of the Police Training and Standards Commission.

**A MOTION to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2018 meeting of the Police Training and Standards Commission was made by Sheriff Joseph Gamble: SECONDED: Sheriff Timothy Cameron. The MOTION carried.**

**2. Facility Report**

Ms. Karen Kruger, Executive Director of the Public Safety Education and Training Center (PSETC) directed the Members to the report included in the binder which reviewed the activities at the Center during the past quarter. Ms. Kruger reviewed with the members the organizational setup and functions of the Police Training and Standards Commission, the Correctional Training Commission and the agency, the Police and Correctional Training Commissions. She further informed the members that a Strategic Plan was in the works to clarify the duties of each unit of the agency. Ms. Kruger presented a document with background

information on many of the staff that the members work with. She also gave an update on the Driver Training Facility and Physical Training Center renovations as well as the future plans for the pool. Colonel Pallozzi commented on the challenges of the upkeep on the Public Safety Education and Training Center facility and grounds.

*Recorders Note: Mr. Wes Adams joined the meeting at 10:11 a.m.*

**3. Legal Issues**

Assistant Attorney General Michelle Wilson stated there were no legal updates.

**4. Annual Election of Chair & Vice-Chair – Effective January 1, 2019**

Colonel William Pallozzi explained that the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Police Training and Standards Commission are elected annually and opened the floor for nominations.

**A MOTION to re-elect Colonel William Pallozzi as Chair was made by Mr. Miguel Dennis: SECONDED: Chief Michael Wynnyk. There were no further nominations. The MOTION carried.**

Members were informed that a person representing a member of the Commission was not eligible to hold the position of Vice-Chair.

**A MOTION to re-elect Sherriff Troy Berry as Vice-Chair was made by Sheriff Timothy Cameron: SECONDED: Chief Michael Wynnyk. There were no further nominations. The MOTION carried.**

**5. Old Business**

**a) Update on Job Task Analysis**

Colonel Pallozzi stated that he had a conversation with DPSCS Secretary Stephen Moyer regarding funding for the Job Task Analysis while waiting for the two million dollars provided by House Bill 24. He explained that he hoped to have more information regarding the analysis and the funding at the January meeting.

*Recorders Note: Mr. Clyde Boatwright, representing Mr. Vince Canales joined the meeting at 10:25 a.m.*

**b) Update on Amendment to COMAR 12.04.01.01 and 12.04.01.04, Mental Health Professional Definition and Interview Requirements and COMAR 12.04.07, SWAT Regulations**  
Mr. Liebno stated that the Mental Health Professional Definition and Interview Requirements amendments were recently published in the Maryland Register. He explained that there was an error in the publication stating that the Commission would be considering the amendment for final adoption at this meeting. Mr. Liebno stated that a correction will be published stating the request for final approval will occur at the January 2019 meeting after the mandatory publication period.

Additionally, Mr. Liebno referred the members to the updated draft documents regarding the SWAT Regulations which were originally presented at the July meeting. Jim Phillips from the Anne Arundel County Police Department and Wesley Forchion from Maryland State Police reviewed the document and the most recent changes that were made. They addressed questions and concerns from the Members and explained the rationalization behind the changes that were made.

**A MOTION to publish COMAR 12.04.07, SWAT Regulations as amended in the Maryland Register for comment was made by Chief Michael Wynnyk: SECONDED: Sheriff Timothy Cameron. The MOTION carried.**

*Recorders Note: Mr. Marcus Pollock joined the meeting at 10:45 a.m.*

**c) Trial Board – Civilian Training**

Colonel Pallozzi stated that because there had been no requests for Civilian Trial Board Training at the time of the last meeting, that this issue had been tabled. He stated that correspondence from members of the Montgomery County Council had recently been received expressing their concern regarding the delay in this training. Mr. Liebno explained that as a result of that letter, Ms. Karen Kruger put together a document for the Commission's review which covers a training curriculum and protocols for civilians participating on trial boards. He stated at this time, staff is asking that this process and curriculum be adopted by the Commission. Ms. Kruger reviewed the document and the legislative requirements imposed on the Commission as well as the obstacles faced in the development of the actual training program. The members voiced their concerns regarding the Use of Force component of the training as well as other requirements. A discussion followed on how to proceed. It was decided that MPCTC staff would reply to Montgomery County and Chief Manger and work with them to develop the proper training and protocols in order to comply with the requirements imposed on the Commission.

**d) Update on HB1016 Activities**

Mr. Liebno informed the Members that the Community Policing program documents are being reviewed by staff. He stated that there will likely be recommendations for changes in the process which will be presented at the January meeting.

**Other** - Colonel Pallozzi stated that Wes Adams and Sheriff Berry will be in need of some help with the sub-committee addressing medical marijuana use. A discussion was had on the challenges that will be faced addressing this topic. Colonel Pallozzi said that he would contact Howard County Police Chief Gary Gardner, who is familiar with the issue, for his input and help.

**6. New Business**

**a) Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Policy and Funding Subcommittee**

Mr. Liebno explained that the Sexual Assault Evidence Kit (SAEK) Policy and Funding Subcommittee was established as a result of Senate Bill 734. He stated that the subcommittee has come up with a proposal for training topics and introduced Jessica Williams and Laura Jessick, representatives from the committee. Ms. Williams and Ms. Jessick explained the history and purpose of the committee and reviewed the Preliminary Recommendations document which included the training topics. Mr. Liebno stated that a web-link would be sent to all members to ensure they have the complete document. He further reminded the Members that this training would enhance the training already established under COMAR 12.04.01.12 in the three year cycle of mandatory training established in 2004.

**A MOTION to approve the presented curriculum to enhance the current sexual assault mandated training was made by Chief Michael Wynnyk: SECONDED: Chief Edward Hargis. The MOTION carried.**

**b) Proposed 2019 Meeting Schedule**

Colonel Pallozzi directed the Members to the proposed schedule of Commission meetings for 2019. He clarified that the January meeting was Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> due to the start of the legislative session on January 9<sup>th</sup>. The remaining dates presented were all Wednesdays, April 10<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup> and October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**A MOTION to approve the 2019 Meeting Schedule was made by Sheriff Joseph Gamble: SECONDED: Mr. Wes Adams. The MOTION carried.**

**7. Request for Waiver of Entry Level Training Requirements for Recertification**

Mr. Liebno stated that an Application for Certification was received from Baltimore City Community College Public Safety for the recertification of April Fullwood-Jackson. He explained that Ms. Fullwood-Jackson retired from the Baltimore Police Department in May 2013. After retirement, she worked for Sinai Hospital and Bon Secour Hospital under Allied Universal in their security units. Mr. Liebno stated that in July 2018, Ms. Fullwood-Jackson was hired by the Baltimore City Community College Public Safety Department and currently holds a Provisional police officer certification.

Because the break in service has been more than five years, Mr. Liebno explained that Ms. Fullwood-Jackson is required to attend a full entry-level training academy. At this time, Baltimore City Community College is asking for a waiver of the full academy requirement and asking instead, that she be allowed to attend Comparative Compliance training in order to be recertified.

Chief Willis from the Baltimore City Community College Public Safety Unit reviewed Ms. Fullwood-Jackson's experience as a certified police officer as well as the duties she performed while employed with Sinai and Bon Secour Hospitals in their security division. He explained why he thought she would be an asset to their agency as well as the training she has received.

Ms. Fullwood-Jackson addressed the members and thanked them for considering the request. She answered questions from the Members regarding her qualifications.

**A MOTION to waive an entry-level academy but require comparative compliance was made by Sheriff Timothy Cameron: SECONDED: Mr. Wes Adams. The MOTION carried.**

**8. Request for Dual Certification and Waiver of Comparative Compliance Training for Police Officer Recertification**

Mr. Liebno explained that David Roberts was a certified correctional officer with the Calvert County Detention Center August 2009 until September 2012. In October 2012, he was transferred to the Sheriff's Office, completed training and became a certified police officer. In February 2014, Officer Roberts was transferred back to the Detention Center and his police officer certification lapsed. He currently holds correctional officer certification.

Mr. Liebno stated that at this time, Calvert County is asking that Officer Roberts be recertified as a police officer for the purpose of having the authority to make arrests within their Detention Center and to allow him to maintain his correctional officer certification as well. He explained that the first issue was whether or not Officer Roberts could hold dual certification and the second issue being that, if he can, Calvert County is requesting a waiver of the required Comparative Compliance training.

Sheriff Timothy Cameron stated that he has officers with the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office who hold dual certification and that there have been no issues. Upon questioning, Assistant Attorney General Michelle Wilson stated that it was legally permissible for an officer to hold dual certification. The issue of police officer authority outside of the Detention Center was also raised.

Lt. Dave McDowell and Major T.D. Reese addressed the members and explained the duties that would be expected with the dual certification of Officer Roberts and how their agency would handle both certifications. They answered the Members concerns and questions as to how various situations would be handled. Sheriff Cameron described his experience with dual certified officers and how the opportunity works well for his agency.

Mr. Liebno addressed Calvert County's concern regarding the timing issue of Officer Roberts attending a Comparative Compliance program. He explained that Officer Roberts would have a year from the date of Provisional Certification to complete the program.

**A MOTION to postpone the approval of dual certification and a waiver of comparative compliance training was made by Sheriff Timothy Cameron.**

Because no action was being taken, the Motion was not required.

**The MOTION was not seconded.**

Colonel Pallozzi announced that the next item would be heard in Closed Session.

*Recorders Note: Ms. Chenoweth read the COMAR closed session regulation into the record.*

**A MOTION was made by Sheriff Timothy Cameron to adjourn to a Closed Session: SECONDED: Sheriff Joseph Gamble. The Motion carried unanimously.**

*The meeting adjourned to a Closed Session at 11:56 a.m.*

#### **9. Request for Waiver of Prior Drug Use Standards for Certification**

**A MOTION to Grant a Waiver of Prior Drug Abuse Standards for Certification was made and SECONDED: The MOTION carried.**

Colonel Pallozzi invited the parties back into the meeting and informed them of the decision.

**A MOTION was made by Chief Michael Wynnyk to adjourn to an open session: SECONDED: Mr. Wes Adams. The MOTION carried.**

*Recorder's Note: This concluded the closed session. The meeting adjourned to an open session at 12:02 p.m.*

Colonel Pallozzi announced the outcome of the issues voted on during the closed session. He asked if there were any additional comments or concerns before adjournment.

Chief Wynnk questioned Mr. Liebno as to whether or not a certified Chief of Police is covered under LEOBR. Ms. Karen Kruger answered that they are not.

Mr. Wes Adams asked the Members to forward any questions or concerns regarding the medical use of marijuana directly to him so that he can present them to the sub-committee.

Mr. Miquel Dennis advised the Members that agencies are looking to the Commission for guidance and direction regarding new issues such as Extreme Risk Protective Orders and the Citizen Complaint Process and that the Commission needs to be prepared with prompt, accurate responses.

**A MOTION to adjourn was made by Sheriff Timothy Cameron: SECONDED: Chief Michael Wynnyk. The MOTION carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.**

These "minutes" are a synopsis of the Commissions' discussions and decisions and not a verbatim rendering of the proceedings.