

MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

****Teleconference** Minutes – 43rd Meeting – September 21, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sheriff Troy Berry, Charles County Sheriff's Office, Regional Representative (Chair)
Sheriff Scott Adams President, Maryland Sheriff's Association
Matthew Alonsozana, Citizen of the State
Clyde Boatwright, Maryland State Fraternal Order of Police
Miguel Dennis, Policing Standards Expert
Chief Arnold Downing, MD Municipal League Police Executive Association
Chief Barbara Duncan, Salisbury Police Department, Regional Representative
Dr. Michael Finegan, Mental Health Expert
Richard Gibson, Maryland State's Attorneys' Association
Chief Russell Hamill, President, Maryland Chiefs of Police Association
Chief Robert Liberati, President, Police Chiefs Association of Prince George's County
Major Derek Loeffler, representing Police Commissioner Michael Harrison, Baltimore Police Department
John Moses, Wor-Wic Program Advisory Committee – Criminal Justice

MEMBERS ABSENT

Colonel Woodrow (Jerry) Jones, Secretary, Department of State Police (Vice-Chair)
W. Michael Crabbs, Community Policing Expert
Zenita Hurley, representing the Office of the Attorney General
Marcus Pollock, Citizen of the State
Thomas Sobocinski Special Agent in Charge, Baltimore Office, FBI
Vacancy, Citizen of the State
Vacancy, Regional Representative

STAFF PRESENT

Wayne Silver, Executive Director, PTSC
Albert L. Liebno, Jr., Executive Director, PCTC
Sarah Chatfield, Technical Services
Jeanne Chenoweth, Recorder
Katie Johnson, Recorder
Gary Gardner, Policy Director
Matthew Mellady, Assistant Attorney General

GUESTS

Dave Morris, Anne Arundel County Police
Helen Hoover

Sheriff Troy Berry, Chair, called the 43rd meeting of the Police Training and Standards Commission (PTSC) held remotely from the Public Safety Education and Training Center to order at 10:02 a.m. The recorder took a roll call for members and a quorum was present. Sheriff Berry welcomed everyone.

The agenda was as follows:

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Mr. Wayne Silver, Executive Director of the Police Training and Standards Commission, informed the members that the emergency regulations 12.04.09 are set to expire on December 27, 2022. In order to keep them from expiring, the regulations must be submitted for processing by this Friday, September 30th. Mr. Silver explained the recommendation from the legislative committee regarding the definition of “good moral character.”

Mr. Silver presented three options. The Commission members discussed the option of removing the definition of “good moral character” versus rewriting the definition or taking out the reference altogether.

A MOTION to remove the definition of “good moral character” from the regulation was made by Mr. John Moses: SECONDED: Mr. Miguel Dennis. Members were polled and the MOTION carried.

Assistant Attorney General Matthew Mellady asked members to review the section of the regulation under Complaints for Eligible Mediation (12.04.09.06). He recommended two changes to the section, to include a reference to “by regulation” in A(1) and to draw distinction between eligibility in B. Mr. Silver asked that the text adopted in these two sections also be updated to match in the Uniform Disciplinary Matrix regulations.

A MOTION to accept the language for the PAB/ACC regulations and include the same in the disciplinary matrix was made by Mr. John Moses: SECONDED: Mr. Matthew Alonsozana. Members were polled and the MOTION carried.

Mr. Silver welcomed new members, Sheriff Adams and Chief Hamill. He also provided an update on the ACC training programs being scheduled regionally in the State. Mr. Silver stated that the need for Trial Board training is more immediate than anticipated, and said that staff is working to schedule training dates. Mr. Silver said he will give an update on the trial board member training at the October meeting.

Sheriff Berry asked Mr. Silver to provide an update on the briefing with the General Assembly. Mr. Silver stated that he and Sheriff Berry are set to meet with the House of Delegates and Senate Judiciary Committees in December.

A MOTION to adjourn was made by Mr. Richard Gibson: SECONDED: Mr. Miguel Dennis. The MOTION carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

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