

MINUTES OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE COMMISSION MEETING
March 10, 2016

The Arkansas State Police Commission met on Thursday, March 10, 2016 at the Arkansas State Police Headquarters, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Commission Chairman Guinn called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Frank Guinn, Chairman
Commissioner Dr. Lewis Shepherd, Vice-Chairman
Commissioner Jane Christenson
Commissioner Bob Burns
Commissioner Neff Basore
Commissioner Bill Benton

MEMBER ABSENT:

Commissioner John Allison, Secretary

STATE POLICE PERSONNEL ATTENDING:

Colonel Bill Bryant	Donna Humphries
Lieutenant Colonel Tim K’Nuckles	Lieutenant Colonel Shawn Garner
Major Henry LaMar	Major Ron Stayton
Captain David Sims	Major Mike Foster
Major Lindsey Williams	Jenna Castleberry
Captain Mike Kennedy	Lieutenant David Lafferty
Major Forrest Marks	Captain Charles Hubbard
Captain Bryan Davis	Harmony Daniels
Sherry Woods	Jackie Baker
Captain Steve Coppinger	Robin Gifford
Captain Wesley Smithee	Captain Jeff Drew
Sergeant Matthew Toon	Sergeant Matthew Sheley
Sergeant Michael Exum	Bridget White
Sergeant Stuart Woodward	J. R. Hankins
Captain John Carter	Lieutenant Stacie Rhoads
Lieutenant Scott Woodward	Sergeant Jeff Whitlock
Captain Dale Saffold	Lieutenant Paulette Ward
Lieutenant David Cooper	Tammy Dulaney
Lieutenant Brant Tosh	Lieutenant Darran Austin
Sergeant Mike Moyer	Lieutenant Jason Aaron
Elaine Lee	Mary Claire McLaurin
Greg Downs	Bill Sadler
Lieutenant Todd Shaw	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Retired Major Stan Witt - ASPF	Michael Krenn – DFA Budget
James Mullenax	Randy Lann - ASPF
Major General Mark Berry – TAG	Joe Thielke - ASPF
Retiree Janet Chappelle – ASPF	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commissioner Basore led the pledge of allegiance.

NOTIFICATION OF MEDIA:

The media was notified of this meeting on March 01, 2016.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Christenson made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2016 monthly Commission Meeting. Commissioner Burns seconded and the motion passed.

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Commissioner Basore made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2016 Special Conference Call Commission Meeting. Commissioner Benton seconded and the motion passed.

OFFICIAL COMMENDATIONS:

Captain Dale Saffold gave an overview for the nominations of Lieutenant Dennis Overton, S/A Kevin Webb, S/A Philip Hydron, and Tammy Dulaney for Official commendations.

Captain Saffold stated the reason we are here this morning is to recognize four people with the Arkansas State Police. The Department of Justice estimates each year over 300,000 young people are sexually trafficked in the United States of America. And in this particular case that occurred last year, Lieutenant Dennis Overton received some information and it would have been very easy once he got that information to say, somebody else will take care of that, but he didn't he took the ball, he ran with it and showing what our department can do when we work together. You have Lieutenant Overton in Highway Patrol, Interstate Criminal Patrol, you have a couple of our CID people, you have one of our CACD people and the FBI even got involved. As a result of their combined efforts, a 15 year-old female, who was being sexual prostituted by a family member was rescued, along with the 2 and 3 year-old daughters of the person who was sexual prostituting a family member. And that is why we are here today to recognize them working together, working together to help rescue one of the thousands of juveniles that is being sexually trafficked in our country each year. I mentioned Lieutenant Dennis Overton, but you also have Special Agent Kevin Webb with CID, Special Agent Philip Hydron with CID, and CACD Area Manager Tammy Dulaney and I would like for you to recognize them. Also on a side note, when Special Agents Hydron and Webb recovered the 15 year-old and the 2 and 3 year-olds finding out that they had not eaten in a couple days, what did those guys do, they took them to a restaurant and out of their own pocket bought food so that these children could eat. So please recognize those 4 members of the Arkansas State Police who have gone above and beyond the call of duty.

Colonel Bill Bryant presented Official Commendation Awards to Lieutenant Dennis Overton, Special Agent Kevin Webb, Special Philip Hydron, and CACD Area Manager Tammy Dulaney.

PROMOTION CERTIFICATES:

Colonel Bill Bryant presented a promotion certificate to Captain Mike Kennedy promoting him to Captain in the Administrative Services Division.

Colonel Bill Bryant presented a promotion certificate to Lieutenant Todd Shaw promoting him to Lieutenant in the Highway Patrol Division, Troop B.

Colonel Bill Bryant presented a promotion certificate to Sergeant Matthew Toon promoting him to Sergeant in the Highway Patrol Division, Troop H.

Colonel Bill Bryant presented a promotion certificate to Sergeant Matthew Sheley promoting him to Sergeant in the Highway Patrol Division, Troop B, Jackson and Independence Counties.

DIVISION REPORTS:

Fiscal Report – Jenna Castleberry

Ms. Castleberry gave an overview of the reports which were distributed to the Commission. She stated we are two thirds the way through the fiscal year which means revenue and expenditures should be about 67%. We are right on track with that and we will continue to monitor it closely and will continue to do so for the next 4 months.

Administrative Services – Captain Mike Kennedy

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Captain Mike Kennedy presented an oral summary of the written report distributed to the Commission. He began by reporting the Human Resources/Personnel transactions for the month; the civilian transactions include four new hires, five promotions, one lateral transfer, two voluntary resignations, one demotion, one termination, and one extra help new hire. The commissioned transactions included six promotions, five lateral transfers, one voluntary resignations, two retirements, one disciplinary and one termination. We currently have two department members on military deployments.

Regarding the ASP Health Plan, February paid claims were \$1.3 million that's an increase of \$77,000 from last month. The fund balance is \$397,000 lower than it was this time last month. Our revenue received from Act 1500 drivers license fees is down by \$54,000 this month. Our average discount savings for the month of February was 64%. We will continue to monitor the fund balance, claims and plan utilization on a monthly basis.

Captain Kennedy stated we currently have 123 backgrounds out for investigation with CID for our 2016 Troop School. That is actually up a little over last year so we are hopeful when we get these backgrounds back we will be able to pick a good set of 35 to go through this troop school.

In our social media, we have over 31,000 regular followers on Facebook now. We are close to 2 million people who have seen our Facebook page. With positive messages going out daily for the department.

Commissioner Shepherd asked do you have a tentative date for Troop School for this year? Captain Kennedy stated May 8 is the start date, we will be doing interviews the 6, 7, & 8 of April. Then once Colonel Bryant makes the selection, we will probably do another phone in commission meeting and get those approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Commission Chairman Guinn announced the Commission would go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Shepherd made a motion to go into Executive Session, Commissioner Benton seconded and the motion passed. The Commission went into Executive Session at 10:17 a.m. and the open meeting resumed at 10:52 a.m.

After the open meeting resumed, Commission Chairman Guinn announced the Commission was going to add a new member to the Foundation Board. He asked for a motion to approve Marvin Childers as new member on the Arkansas State Police Foundation Board.

Commissioner Benton made a motion to approve Marvin Childers as a new member of the ASP Foundation Board, Commissioner Burns/Christenson seconded and the motion passed.

NEXT MEETING:

The next monthly meeting of the Commission will be held on Friday, April 15, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. and the Patrick Claggett Appeal Hearing will be at 10:00 a.m.

With no more business, Commission Chairman Guinn asked for motion to adjourn. Commissioner Basore made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Shepherd seconded and the motion passed. Commission Chairman Guinn adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Commission Chairman

Commission Secretary