### MINUTES OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE COMMISSION MEETING March 14, 2013

The Arkansas State Police Commission met on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at the Arkansas State Police Headquarters, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Commission Chairman Christenson called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Jane Christenson, Chairman Commissioner Woody Futrell, Vice-Chairman Commissioner Wallace Fowler, Secretary

Commissioner Frank Guinn Commissioner Dr. Lewis Shepherd

Commissioner Bob Burns

#### MEMBER ABSENT:

Commissioner John Allison

### STATE POLICE PERSONNEL ATTENDING:

Colonel Stan Witt Major Henry La Mar
Captain Ron Stayton Lieutenant Mike Kennedy
Lieutenant David Lafferty Lieutenant Brant Tosh
Sergeant Scott Woodward Lieutenant Forrest Marks

Captain Jeff Jester S/A Scott Clark

S/A Dennis Morris
S/A Shannon Shepherd
S/A Hays McWhirter
S/A Scotty Dodd
S/A David Rider
S/A Louis Imler

S/A Corwin Battle Corporal Larry Joe Carter Lieutenant Jason Aaron Corporal Vic Coleman

Corporal Robert Alcon Corporal Christopher Goodman

Sergeant Eric Agee Captain Shawn Garner
Captain Leonard Hogg TFC Jason Dooley
TFC Antoine Jack Williams TFC Marcus Daniels
Captain Jeffrey Drew TFC Jarrod Akins
Corporal Chuck Lewis Sergeant Elvis Mull
Captain Keith Eremea Trooper Jacob Farnam

Trooper Jay McAllister Corporal Bryan Doug McAllister

Jenna Castleberry Josh Loy

Sergeant Barry Roy Corporal Alvernon Rogers
Sergeant Brad Lann Sergeant Stuart Woodward

Sergeant Kim Warren
Gary Glisson
Captain Dale Saffold
Lieutenant Joel Mullins
Corporal Jeff Whitlock

TFC Alan Johnson
Sergeant Kim Warren
Sergeant Mark Johnson
Sergeant Paulette Ward
TFC Heath Nelson

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Meredith Rebsamen, Attorney General's Office Randy Couch, Lonoke County Sheriff's Office Lanna Clark

Amanda Marks

### OPENING AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commissioner Wallace Fowler led the pledge of allegiance.

### NOTIFICATION OF MEDIA:

The media was notified of this meeting on March 04, 2013.

#### **RECOGNIZED GUESTS:**

Commission Chairman Christenson introduced the guest in attendance as Mr. Randy Couch of the Lonoke County Sheriff's Office and Meredith Rebsamen of the Attorney General's Office. She stated a lot of the troopers have family with them and they can introduce their families when they come up to receive their awards.

Commission Chairman Christenson introduced the newest commissioner, Bob Burns and asked him to tell about himself. Mr. Burns explained he has spent most of his life in the banking community, higher education and a little bit of time in law enforcement, working with the State Police Foundation for the last two or three years. I know most of the Commissioners and many of you very well. I appreciate the opportunity the Governor has given me to serve on the Commission and look forward to being able to contribute anyway I can.

Commission Chairman Christenson thanked Mr. Burns and stated we look forward to working with you also.

#### MINUTES:

Commissioner Fowler made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2013 Arkansas State Police Commission meeting, Commissioner Futrell seconded and the motion passed.

### **OFFICIAL COMMENDATIONS:**

Captain Dale Saffold presented the overview of the nomination of Corporal Christopher Goodman. Captain Saffold stated Corporal Goodman is known around the nation as a demonstrated expert in drug interdiction. During the month of September 2012, Corporal Goodman made stops on two tractor trailers. In one he confiscated over 56 pounds of cocaine, one pound of marijuana with a total value of those drugs at \$2.3 million dollars and two suspects arrested. From the other stop he made his largest single seizure of cocaine at 96 pounds that was bound for North Carolina, with a total street value of just under \$4 million. As a result of his efforts, a controlled delivery was made and over \$420,000 was seized in North Carolina with four suspects being arrested as a direct result of his police work. Earlier in 2012 on July 11, he seized 5.5 pounds of heroin bound for Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. This amount of heroin is enough for thousands of hits. Then on August 3, he seized approximately 2 pounds of cocaine. In summary, for the months of July, August and September, Corporal Goodman seized 154 pounds of cocaine, 5.5 pounds of heroin, and 176 pounds of marijuana with a total street value of \$6.75 million in addition to the \$420,000 in drug monies seized. Corporal Goodman is known as one of those rare individuals who is so unselfish in his devotion to duty that he would rather work than eat. Rain or shine, night or day, Corporal Goodman is making traffic stops and looking for the next criminal arrests. Dedicated interdiction officers seem to be overlooked many times unless there is some record-setting amount of dope or money seized. Even then it falls into the category of a trooper just making a traffic stop and hitting the jackpot. I have learned it is much, much more than that, you never see or hear of all the many probable cause stops that take place to converse with a motorist and using their skills trying to determine if something "just isn't right" about the situation. Even more telling in his successful practices which enhance the mission of the ASP, are all of the stops which result in a search where nothing is found. Digging around in filthy vehicles, lying on the ground to look under vehicles, unloading luggage and other personal items just to check the trunk and this doesn't take into account the recreational vehicles, rental vans or large truck tractors. Climbing around in the back of a truck's van on a hot summer day just to inspect a load to see if anything is out of place, takes something many troopers do not possess: hard core dedication. His cumulative acts of meritorious service far exceed service that is outstanding.

Corporal Goodman's dedication not only benefits the Arkansas State Police, but the citizens of Arkansas and even the citizens of the country as he makes the extra effort toward the removal of dangerous narcotics and criminals from our communities. Corporal Goodman has been recognized on a national level by the Department of Transportation through the Drug Interdiction Assistance Program for his outstanding commitment to law enforcement and public safety and extraordinary professional achievements in the field of highway criminal interdiction and national security. Last year he taught a class to approximately 500 interdiction officers from around the country at the annual Drug Interdiction Assistance Program Conference held in Little Rock. There are many troopers who perform extraordinary acts of service and heroism, there are very few, if any, who perform at a level of dedication and devotion to the job more than Corporal Goodman.

An Official Commendation was presented to Corporal Christopher Goodman.

Captain Keith Eremea presented the overview of the nomination of Sergeant Mark Johnson. Captain Eremea stated on October 18, 2012 at approximately 4:50 p.m. Sergeant Johnson was assigned to Troop A and heard a BOLO for an attempted murder suspect involved in a pursuit coming down State Highway 107 toward Interstate 40. Sergeant Johnson started toward the area and saw the pursuit at JFK Boulevard and Interstate 40; he joined the pursuit at the request of the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office and stayed in the 4th car position and at one point realized a Pulaski County Sheriff's Office unit was lagging behind and so he passed and stayed as the third unit. After that Sergeant Johnson heard the suspect still had a shotgun in his vehicle and was pointing the shotgun at the officers and he knew the suspect was wanted for shooting a man with a shotgun, kidnapping two teens and stealing their car. Sergeant Johnson asked a Pulaski County Sheriff's Office if they could terminate the pursuit by force, which they said no. Sergeant Johnson realizing the pursuit was getting too dangerous and innocent citizens would be injured or killed, he decided to take over the pursuit. Once he got in the lead position of the pursuit he realized the speeds were approximately 90 miles per hour on the two lane highway. Sergeant Johnson who has done EVOC training and numerous PIT maneuvers realized he needed to get in position to try to stop the suspect. The suspect had been raising the shotgun several times at the deputies, so he knew he was still armed. But he stayed that close so he could do the PIT maneuver, which meant Sergeant Johnson had to put the right front of his vehicle against the left rear of the suspect vehicle. Sergeant Johnson was watching for all of these things and did not see the suspect fire, but on the video you clearly see where the suspect fired a shotgun at Sergeant Johnson, blowing out the back seat and right taillight assembly, and just missing his car. Sergeant Johnson got beside the suspect vehicle, at approximately 90 miles per hour, maintained his speed and gently moved into position and pushed the vehicle off the roadway. The suspect spun out of control went approximately 200 feet crashing into two parked cars. The suspect was injured and was transported to UAMS Hospital. The suspect was charged with shooting the victim in the shotgun shooting earlier, theft of the car and kidnapping the two teens, another carjacking four days earlier where the car was recovered in Conway and another shooting in Woodson a week earlier. The suspect had 18 felony charges from those incidents. Sergeant Johnson was on patrol that day and received a call to assist another agency. He decided to take the initiative and join the dangerous pursuit, because it was the fact that the Sheriff's Office could not use PIT, so he took over for them. Sergeant Johnson had a very difficult task to perform the PIT maneuver at 90 miles per hour. At 90 miles per hour a vehicle travels 132 feet every second and trying to calculate the path once he spun the vehicle out of control was very hard to do. He had to make sure there were no pedestrians, oncoming cars or someone else who could get hurt. The suspect was using desperate attempts to avoid capture, swerving into Sergeant Johnson and in fact shot at Sergeant Johnson. Sergeant Johnson could have been shot that day, injured by the shotgun blast or involved in an accident where he would have gone out of control, thus injuring or possibly killing him. Sergeant Johnson did a great job in stopping a fleeing armed felon who had committed at least one other grave act that day and numerous others the week before.

An Official Commendation was presented to Sergeant Mark Johnson.

Sergeant Brad Lann presented the overview of the nomination of Corporal Vic Coleman. Sergeant Lann stated the week of August 12, 2012, Arkansas hosted the Drug Interdiction Assistance Program National Conference at the Peabody in Little Rock. The conference teaches criminal interdiction to local law enforcement throughout Arkansas. This was the twenty-second year for the conference, which was attended by 550 local, state, and federal agencies and was chaired by Corporal Vic Coleman. Corporal Coleman arranged the hotel/convention center, prepared classes for four days, lined up instructors, located door prizes, planned a formal dinner, provided entertainment for the attendees and their significant others. Corporal Coleman began working on the conference in August of 2011 and traveled state wide on his own time selling tickets and promoting the conference, single handedly raising thousands of dollars to fund the conference. Corporal Coleman continued working hard on the highway seizing several pounds of illegal drugs and currency. For the year 2012, he seized 2,003 pounds of marijuana, 10,451.4 grams of cocaine, and \$148,860 in drug currency. Corporal Coleman represented the Arkansas State Police in a manner that exceeded the expectations of the conference and the ASP. Corporal Coleman is a mentor to fellow officers, troopers, and deputies who often call upon him for advice and search techniques. He is well known nationally throughout the Criminal Interdiction Community and consistently shares information with other agencies and law enforcement officers around the United States that depend his knowledge of current trafficking trends to assist them while on traffic stops or in furthering their investigations. Coleman's seizures in 2012 were featured in the Blue Lighting/Gulf Coast HIDTA News Release and in May 2012, Corporal Coleman received the 2011 RWIN Networker of the Year Award from the Road Warrior Interdiction Networks. In October, 2012 Corporal Coleman was selected by Tennessee Highway Patrol Headquarters to go to Tennessee and teach approximately 30 Tennessee troopers Criminal Interdiction. Corporal Coleman put in long stressful hours making sure the Drug Interdiction Assistance Program National Conference was a success and continuing his dedication to drug interdiction.

An Official Commendation was presented to Corporal Vic Coleman.

Sergeant Brad Lann presented the overview of the nomination of TFC Marcus Daniels. Sergeant Lann stated TFC Marcus Daniels has been assigned to Post 5 in Pulaski County for the past several years and is a leader by example each month. He makes it his mission to take as many criminals and impaired drivers off the roadway as possible in Pulaski County. For the year 2012, TFC Daniels recorded 429 criminal arrests, 63 DWI arrests, 548 hazardous arrests, 692 non-hazardous arrests for a total of 1,669 arrests. He investigated 94 collisions, wrote 960 warnings, and had an average of 1.68 officer/violator contacts per hour which is well above the standard of 1 officer/violator contact per hour. TFC Daniels has made a name for himself among his fellow troopers, prosecutors, judges, and defense attorneys and is a mentor to the younger troopers. TFC Daniels has been involved in many vehicle and foot pursuits throughout the year. No matter what the situation, you can count on TFC Daniels to make sound decisions.

An Official Commendation was presented to TFC Marcus Daniels.

Sergeant Eric Agee presented the overview of the nomination of TFC Antoine "Jack" Williams. Sergeant Agee stated TFC Antoine "Jack" Williams went above and beyond the call of duty with the number of DWI/DUI arrests in calendar year 2012. He had 80 DWI/DUI arrests which made him number two in Troop A. He also had 255 hazardous arrests, 198 non-hazardous arrests, 157 criminal arrests and worked 109 accidents. TFC Williams' work ethic and unswerving devotion to duty brought great credit upon himself and is of the highest standards of the Arkansas State Police.

An Official Commendation was presented to TFC Antoine "Jack" Williams.

Sergeant Eric Agee presented the overview of the nomination of TFC Heath Nelson. Sergeant Agee stated TFC Heath Nelson transferred to Troop A, Pulaski County in December 2007 and was assigned to Post 3.

During the year of 2012, TFC Nelson went above and beyond the call of duty by vastly exceeding any other Troop A trooper with the number of DWI/DUI arrest he made. He made 138 DWI/DUI arrests for the year and exceeded the next closest Troop A trooper by 58. TFC Nelson had 465 hazardous arrests, 454 non-hazardous arrests, 170 criminal arrests and worked 94 accidents. TFC Nelson pursues impaired drivers with a tenacity that I have never seen and his work ethic brings great credit to himself and is of the highest standards of the Arkansas State Police.

An Official Commendation was presented to TFC Heath Nelson.

Sergeant Eric Agee presented the overview of the nomination of TFC Alan Johnson. Sergeant Agee stated during the year of 2012, TFC Alan Johnson went above and beyond the call of duty by vastly exceeding any other Troop A trooper in the number of stolen vehicles recovered. TFC Johnson recovered 20 stolen vehicles, which exceeded the next highest Troop A trooper by 12 and many of those were occupied at the time. TFC Johnson was also the third highest Troop A trooper in DWI/DUI arrests with 70 arrests; he had 251 hazardous arrests, 249 non-hazardous arrests, 131 criminal arrests, and worked 97 accidents. TFC Johnson's dedication to duty reflects upon himself and his work ethic exemplifies that of an Arkansas State Trooper.

An Official Commendation was presented to TFC Alan Johnson.

Lieutenant David Lafferty presented the overview of the nominations of Company C Special Agents Scott Clark, Shannon Shepherd, Scotty Dodd, Hays McWhirter, Corwin Battle, David Rider, Dennis Morris, and Louis Imler. Lieutenant Lafferty stated on Thursday, December 6, 2012 around 8:15 p.m. the Clark County Sheriff's Office contacted Company C and requested Company C work a triple homicide investigation in Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Special Agent Michael Scott Clark received the first call from Clark County Sheriff Jason Watson. An adult male and two juvenile females were found deceased inside a residence. All three victims suffered significant trauma, there were no known witnesses and no suspects. Special Agent Clark requested additional Company C agents come and assist with the investigation. Special Agent Shannon Shepherd, Special Agent David Rider and Special Agent Corwin Battle responded and began an extensive crime scene search that continued for two days at the residence. Special Agent Scotty Dodd received the unpleasant assignment of contacting and making notification to the victims' family, advising of their family member's death and conducting interviews to see what information might be obtained about the victims. Special Agent Dennis Morris, Special Agent Hays McWhirter, and Special Agent Louis Imler responded to the crime scene to continue to search for evidence. Although it was unknown to the agents at the time, crucial evidence was recovered during that crime scene search that ultimately led to the identification of the suspect. As the crime scene processing continued, the agents began pursuing leads and conducting interviews in an attempt to locate any witnesses. These agents worked day and night on the investigation, 18-21 hours, one agent came in from vacation and two agents were sick but they did not want to go home. After a suspect was identified, it took a little less than 48 hours, going from a complete mystery to having an arrest warrant for three counts of Capital Murder. The suspect was very effectively arrested by the State Police SWAT Team, but these investigators' jobs were not over, as several additional witnesses had to be interviewed and several search warrants had to be executed to search for additional evidence. The agents involved in this investigation not only had the difficult task of solving this crime, but frankly had the challenge with dealing with what was a highly emotional and somewhat traumatizing crime scene. All these agents displayed extreme professionalism in the performance of their duties, no matter what the challenges were. Clark County Sheriff Jason Watson told me the work of the agents was invaluable and literally the case would not have been solved without these guys' work and efforts. Commissioner Lewis Shepherd spoke at the December 2012 Commission Meeting about the effects to the community of Arkadelphia from this homicide and the many gracious comments from community members made to him concerning the work and effort.

The actions of the special agents in this investigation reflect the highest standards and professionalism of the Criminal Investigation Division and the Arkansas State Police. I am honored to introduced Special Agent Scott Clark, Special Agent Dennis Morris, Special Agent Hays McWhirter, Special Agent Scotty Dodd, Special Agent David Rider, Special Agent Shannon Shepherd, Special Agent Corwin Battle, and Special Agent Louis Imler.

Official Commendations were presented to S/A Scott Clark, S/A Shannon Shepherd, S/A Scotty Dodd, S/A Hays McWhirter, S/A Corwin Battle, S/A David Rider, S/A Dennis Morris, and S/A Louis Imler.

Lieutenant Jason Aaron presented the overview of the nomination of Special Agent Larry Joe Carter. Lieutenant Aaron stated on April 2012, Arkansas Tech University Department of Public Safety contacted Special Agent Carter in reference to a Tech student being admitted to UAMS with life threatening injuries. This particular weekend wasn't even Special Agent Carter's duty on call. On April 21, Special Agent Carter began the process of attempting to locate witnesses and begin the interview process of potential witnesses and suspects in this case. On April 22 Special Agent Carter made contact with the victim at UAMS and learned that his life threatening injuries were getting worse, he made an attempt to interview the victim and the victim was very non-compliant and about the only information he would give was that he was attacked in Pine Bluff. Special Agent Carter did not have a lot of information at this time and as he was leaving the area of the room, the victim's mother reached out and made contact with Special Agent Carter. She confided in Special Agent Carter that the victim's girlfriend had given some information to her, that her son was injured in a fraternity hazing incident at Arkansas Tech University campus. The type of brotherhood bond, code of silence, which fraternities practice their initiation, it's a code of silence they go through and Special Agent Carter fought through that bond. The victim was placed under a medically-induced coma. At the time Special Agent Carter really didn't have any concrete evidence in this case; he pushed on. Before the doctors were able to put the victim into the medically-induced coma, the victim confided to his mother exactly what had happened. That he had been beaten in an initiation on the Arkansas Tech University campus by fraternity brothers that he was trying to get into. Special Agent Carter made contact with the mother again, she confided with him that the victim had come forward with this information and she provided Special Agent Carter with the victim's phone. After obtaining a search warrant for the phone, Special Agent Carter was able to gather the exact location where the incident occurred, what actually took place in this initiation incident, he was able to identify 4 suspects from the information gathered from the phone. With that information Special Agent Carter pushed on and was able obtain 4 warrants for 2nd degree battery for the 4 suspects and in January this year, all 4 suspects pleaded guilty to this incident. Special Agent Carter possesses a sense of duty that he ascribes to all of his investigations and this case was no exception. This very easily could have been a case that he pushed off to the side, the only victim involved in the case was a subject who was unwilling and uncooperative at the very beginning of it and tried to push the case off to another Company down in Pine Bluff area. Special Agent Carter knew the injuries were not consistent with a random attack, the injuries were to his buttock and legs and he did not believe him and pushed on. Special Agent Carter's actions were exemplary considering the fraternity bonds of brotherhood he had to overcome. He exhibited diligence and perseverance by not taking the case at face value and followed every viable piece of evidence not knowing the jurisdiction of the case.

An Official Commendation was presented to Special Agent Larry Joe Carter.

Sergeant Ron Casey presented the overview of the nomination of Corporal Robert Alcon. Sergeant Casey stated on June 27, 2012 at approximately 9:26 a.m. Corporal Alcon was on patrol in Grant County on U.S. Highway 167 about 5 miles north of Sheridan. At that time Corporal Alcon witnessed a motor vehicle crash of a single vehicle which resulted in injuring a young lady. Corporal Alcon pulled up to the scene and exited his patrol car ran down and noticed a young black female was trapped underneath her overturned SUV.

At that time, Corporal Alcon summoned witnesses that had stopped at the scene to help him try to get the vehicle off of her. Four men including Corporal Alcon attempted to get the vehicle off of her but could not. At that time two truck drivers had pulled up and Corporal Alcon hollered for them to come and assist. Through their efforts they were able to lift the vehicle off of the young lady and get her out of harm's way. She sustained life threatening injuries and Corporal Alcon quickly notified medical personnel and called for the medflight helicopter. The helicopter arrived at the scene and transported her to Baptist Hospital in Little Rock with life threatening injuries where she was treated, did overcome those injuries and is alive today. Corporal Alcon's quick, calm actions, professional demeanor, being able to summons other citizens to help, calling medical attention in a quick manner and taking control of the scene did save this young lady's life.

An Official Commendation was presented to Corporal Robert Alcon.

Sergeant Kim Warren presented the overview of the nomination of Special Agent Bryan Doug McAllister. Sergeant Warren stated Special Agent McAllister has worked narcotics enforcement in Company D, and has made it his mission to work in Scott County area where a lot of activity for narcotics work has not been done. Special Agent McAllister developed an informant in that county and through this informant he began making numerous drug purchases from several known targets in the area. This operation began to grow much bigger than anyone had anticipated and Special Agent McAllister coordinated a drug operation in this small county utilizing local law enforcement and the local DEA. This investigation involved numerous hours of surveillance, several confidential sources, controlled purchases and electronic surveillance. The continued surveillance allowed agents to determine that the main target sources of supply were residing in Dallas, Texas The DEA Field Office in Dallas, Texas was notified and began assisting in surveillance in an attempt to fully identify the source of the supply in that area. Further electronic surveillance revealed that the main target was going to travel to the Dallas area to obtain a large quantity of methamphetamine. Special Agent McAllister along with DEA agents traveled to Dallas and were able to identify the residence of the main target involved and surveillance was conducted on this target as he left the area to begin his journey back to Arkansas. Information was gained that was case-specific enabling them to make contact with the main target and eventually obtaining consent to search his vehicle. The vehicle was taken off site to a location where it was thoroughly searched and yielded over 4 pounds of methamphetamine. The main target later cooperated with Special Agent McAllister and provided significant information regarding his source of supply in Dallas, Texas which led to a search warrant at the residence in Dallas. This search warrant revealed an additional 1 pound of methamphetamine and 15 pounds of marijuana. The agents executed search warrants on multiple locations in Arkansas, belonging to the main target, which resulted in the seizure of 7 ounces of methamphetamine, \$8,000.00 in currency and over 6 firearms. After the conclusion of the actual operation, Special Agent McAllister began to coordinate a drug bust that was conducted in the Scott County area on over 13 different subjects. He planned this event using all the assets that were necessary to ensure that all suspects were arrested. This operation seized 12 pounds of methamphetamine, 70 pounds of marijuana, and 25 weapons. This activity was going on in a small rural town of less than 4,000 people. But that did not deter Special Agent McAllister from looking into this and making it a successful operation. Special Agent McAllister made several trips to Dallas, Texas on the weekends on his days off to ensure that this was conducted and handled properly. To this date this operation has resulted in the indictments of 17 subjects, 23 firearms, and 12 pounds of methamphetamine, 70 pounds of marijuana and over \$50,000 in currency seized. This investigation continues with more arrest as the defendants are continuing to cooperate with authorities. Special Agent McAllister is due to retire from the ASP on June 1, 2013, he will have completed over 33 years of service. Over the past 12 years Special Agent McAllister's efforts in narcotics enforcement has resulted in the seizure of 303,409 pounds of powder cocaine, 2.5 pounds of crack cocaine, 1,238,571 pounds of processed marijuana, 6,786 individual tablets of pharmaceutical drugs, 62,688 pounds of methamphetamine, and 43 functioning clandestine methamphetamine labs, with a street value for these seizures at \$9,076,956.00.

Special Agent McAllister has recovered and seized \$19,291,512.00 in assets and property over the past 12 years while removing these illegal and dangerous drugs from Western Arkansas communities.

An Official Commendation was presented to Special Agent Bryan Doug McAllister.

Commission Chairman Christenson congratulated everyone who received an official commendation, and stated they are all well deserving and I know your families are very proud of you. It is very hard on the families to watch you leave in the morning, not knowing what will happen during the day and we appreciate everything you do to help keep us all safe.

#### <u>Fiscal Report</u> – Jenna Castleberry

Ms. Castleberry presented an oral summary of the written report distributed to the Commission. She stated we should be operating at about 67% and we are right on track there. As we enter the last four months of our fiscal year, we are watching our appropriations and money closely. Our appropriation act, House Bill 1157, has been sent to Personnel and we will be going there next week for Personnel Committee.

### <u>Administrative Services Division</u> – Lieutenant Mike Kennedy

Lieutenant Kennedy presented an oral summary of the written report distributed to the Commission. Lieutenant Kennedy stated this month in the Human Resource Section we had 6 civilian new hires, 3 civilian voluntary resignations, 1 civilian transfer, and 4 civilian promotions. On the commissioned side we had 2 lateral transfers, 1 commissioned resignation, 1 retirement and 2 promotions. We currently have 7 total people on military deployments.

Lieutenant Kennedy stated the health insurance plan continues to be in very good shape. Our health claims are up, slightly higher than last month by \$9,000.00. Overall our fund balance is higher by \$156,000.00; we continue to track in the upward direction. Our total fund balance is over \$9.7 million. We are \$1.1 million higher than we were this time last year.

We have been working on promotional testing since Wednesday of last week. We brought in 33 outside assessors; they flew in on Wednesday and received one day and a half of training on how we conduct our promotional process. They have been scoring 170 Sergeant Candidates and 46 Lieutenant Candidates and we hope to have those results mailed to our troopers by May 1. Promotional testing concludes today at 3:00 p.m. It has been a long week for everyone in Human Resources over at the hotel assisting with the process.

We have 26 recruits remaining; we have had 3 resignations since last month. They are in week 8 and next week we begin firearms training.

Commission Chairman Christenson stated she believes it is a good thing those three who recently left did it now instead of after they had gone through the process of ordering uniforms.

Lieutenant Kennedy explained uniforms had actually been ordered, but we were able make contact with the vendors and cancel the order for those three. Had it been a week or two later, it would have cost the department tens of thousands of dollars in vests, weapons, uniforms and the list keeps going.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Commission Chairman Christenson asked if any Commissioners had any new business to bring before the Commission.

Commissioner Futrell stated as a Commissioner I sit up here and am very proud to hear what you have done in the overviews. I wish every citizen in the State could listen to what you say, how you work and how you honor the State of Arkansas. You know, not only are you the best, you are the toughest. I know we started out with 40 recruits on the list and are down to 26, but that does not bother me, does not bother this Commission and does not bother the Colonel because we have the best and we want to keep it that way. There are people out there that want to serve like you and we will find them. But you are the best and this Commission and the people of Arkansas are proud of you and I wish the citizens could hear what you do and how you handle yourself in the State of Arkansas.

Commission Chairman Christenson stated there was no further new business.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

Commission Chairman Christenson stated the next regular scheduled meeting of the Arkansas State Police Commission will be held on Thursday, April 11, 2013 at the Arkansas State Police Headquarters, Little Rock at 10:00 a.m.

With no further business, Commissioner Futrell moved to adjourn the Commission Meeting, Commissioner Fowler seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

	Commission Chairman	
Commission Secretary		