



**PEACE OFFICERS STANDARD AND TRAINING
COMMISSION COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2021
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I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion to Approve by: COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

II. ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

III. ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONER KIM BIRCHFIELD – Observing Only

COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY - Present

COMMISSIONER MARK DUNBAR - Present

COMMISSIONER RAY FARRIS - Present

COMMISSIONER DEBORAH FAULKNER - Vice Chair – Absent

COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III - Present

COMMISSIONER BUD HULSEY - Absent

COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON - Present

COMMISSIONER CHAD PARTIN – Chair - Present

COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL - Present

COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER - Present

COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER - Present

COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT - Present

DISCLAIMER – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BRIAN GRISHAM

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 29, 2021 COMMISSION MEETING:

Motion to Approve by: COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER

Second COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

V. DECERTIFICATION HEARING HELD THIS MONTH

NONE TO REPORT

VI. APPEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION/WAIVERS FOR PRE-EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-9-.04

NONE TO REPORT

VII. WAIVER TO ATTEND ANOTHER ACADEMY – P.O.S.T. Rule 1110-02-.03(3)

NONE TO REPORT

VIII. WAIVER OF BASIC TRAINING/SPECIALIZED SUBSTITUTIONS FOR IN SERVICE TRAINING – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-9-.02

The following requests for Waiver/Substitution of Basic Training have been reviewed and appear to meet P.O.S.T. requirements:

P.O.S.T. Assistant Director reviewed and administratively approved **8** P.O.S.T. Transition School Waivers and all corresponding supporting documents. The reported documents appear to be in order and meet or exceed the minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements.

In addition, P.O.S.T. Assistant Director reviewed and administratively approved **4** solo waiver requests based on the recently expired Governor's orders. Due to the recent expiration of the orders, the P.O.S.T. Commission has approved for solo waiver requests to be administratively approved until the virtual P.O.S.T. Transition School is completed.

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE WAIVERS

WAIVER OF IN-SERVICE – RULE 1110-09-.05

Request for a waiver have been received for the following officers so that they as well as their departments will remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines. They are not eligible for a Salary Supplement.

NONE TO REPORT

WAIVERS OF SIX (6) MONTH RULE:

THE TENNESSEE P.O.S.T. COMMISSION HAS RECEIVED AND REVIEWED 0 SIX-MONTH WAIVER WHICH FALL UNDER THE PROVISIONS OUTLINED IN THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15.30.

“The provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 38-8-107 and 38-8-111, requiring completion of basic training and in-service credits are suspended to the extent necessary to give the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission discretion to reasonably extend the deadline for meeting such requirements as necessary to respond to the effects of COVID-19.”

THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUESTING A WAIVER OF THE SIX (6) MONTH RULE TO KEEP THEIR OFFICER(S) AND THE DEPARTMENT IN COMPLIANCE.

Murfreesboro Police Department – Request six (6) month waiver for **Mario Alberto Ramirez (PSID# 3938-3376)** hired August 16, 2021. On October 4, 2021, Mr. Ramirez was scheduled to attend the P.O.S.T. Transition School but was unable to attend due to medical reasons. Mr. Ramirez is scheduled to attend the P.O.S.T. Transition Course in March of 2022.

Motion to Approve by: COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III
Second COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL
Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

WAIVERS OF EIGHT (8) MONTH RULE:

The following officer(s) are requesting a waiver of the eight-month rule. They will receive the 2020 Salary Supplement payment if they completed 2020 In-Service requirements.

NONE TO REPORT

WAIVER FOR MEDICAL – RULE 1110-09-.06

The following departments are requesting a waiver for medical reasons for the 2020 calendar year, so the departments will also remain in compliance. Officers did not complete in-service training and are not eligible for Salary Supplement:

NONE TO REPORT

WAIVERS FOR MILITARY LEAVE – RULE 1110-09-.06(5)

The following departments are requesting a waiver for military service for the 2020 calendar year. Military orders are included along with change of status. These officers will be eligible to receive salary supplements, and the departments will remain in compliance.

P.O.S.T. Assistant Director has reviewed and administratively approved **0** Military Waivers and corresponding supporting documents. All the reported documents appear to be in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements.

X. APPLICATIONS FOR TRAINING OFFICER – 1110-04-.03

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved **1** application(s) for Training Officer, and they appear to meet criteria for approval.

The officer(s) listed below **if any** will be informed, they have one year to complete the Instructor Development course or approved substitute.

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III**

Second **COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

XI. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR – 1110-03-.04

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved **20** application(s) for Certified Instructor, and they appear to be in order and meet minimum standards, and they have completed the minimum hours in attendance of required courses.

- The instructors listed below **if any** will be notified, they have **one year to complete Instructor Development or approved substitute:**
- The officers listed below **if any** request a waiver of **the one-year training officer requirement:**

Lynn Mark Lewis	PSID# 1347-6869	Dunlap Police Department
Justin Tyler Edwards	PSID# 3151-1544	Harriman Police Department
Daniel Joseph Smith	PSID# 1992-0588	Greenfield Police Department
Ronnie Edward Blankenship	PSID# 6431-7053	Shelbyville Police Department

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON**

Second **COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

XII. CURRICULUM AND TESTS – 1110-04 and SPECIALIZED TRAINING CURRICULUM – 1110-04-.09

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 68 in-service and specialized training classes this month as they appear to be in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements. They have made note if these training offerings meet the P.O.S.T. requirements for Firearms, EVOC, Mental Illness and CSA.

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

NONE TO REPORT

XIV. NEW BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Jellico Police Department – Request the P.O.S.T. Commission’s approval to reinstate **Adam Thomas Hopper (PSID# 5348-8487)** P.O.S.T. Certification. On July 20, 2018, Mr. Hopper signed an agreed order to surrender his P.O.S.T. Certification for the purpose of avoiding further administrative actions.

Appearing

Motion by: COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: No Action Taken.

Sumner County Sheriff’s Office – Request the P.O.S.T. Commission’s approval to waive the requirement to attend Transition School for **William David Dodds (PSID# 2508-2398)**. On September 1, 2017, Mr. Dodds retired as a full-time officer and began working part-time with Sumner County Sheriff’s Office, without a break in service. Each year Mr. Dodds completed the annual forty-hours of in-service training.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT

Second COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy – Request approval of their 2021 Annual Report.

Motion to Approve by: COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy – Request a waiver of the Rule 1110-07.03(1b) requirement that Basic Law Enforcement Schools be limited to 75 persons. TLETA requests that it be permitted to hold four Basic Law Enforcement Schools of up to 135 persons each during the 2022 calendar year.

Motion to Approve by: COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER

Second COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

Samuel Wayne Ogburn (PSID# 4515-6937) – Acceptance of Agreed order to surrender P.O.S.T. Certification.

Motion to Approve by: COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT

Second COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.