



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

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

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

II. ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONER KIM BIRCHFIELD - Absent

COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY - Present

COMMISSIONER MARK DUNBAR - Present

COMMISSIONER RAY FARRIS - Absent

COMMISSIONER DEBORAH FAULKNER: Vice Chair - Present

COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III - Present

COMMISSIONER BUD HULSEY - Absent

COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON - Present

COMMISSIONER CHAD PARTIN Chair - Present

COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL - Absent

COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER - Absent

COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER - Present

COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT - Present

DISCLAIMER – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BRIAN GRISHAM

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 19, 2021 COMMISSION MEETING:

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

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

IV. DECERTIFICATION HEARING HELD THIS MONTH

Decertification hearing held March 18, 2021.

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

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

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

Benton County Sheriff's Office – Request a conviction waiver for **Christopher Scott Nolen (PSID# 34452)** hired, February 8, 2021. On January 26, 2000, Mr. Nolen was arrested in Camden, Tennessee and charged with Driving Under the Influence. On April 12, 2000, Mr. Nolen plead guilty to Driving Under the Influence. Mr. Nolen has since satisfied all court ordered fines and fees.

Appearing

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON**

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

Dyer County Sheriff's Office – Request a military discharge waiver for **Renaldo Bouviea Maiden Jr. (PSID# 3726-3031)** hired, January 18, 2021. Mr. Maiden received an uncharacterized discharge in 2006 but no waiver was requested because the application stated, “Currently serving in Army Reserves”. Mr. Maiden while attending TLETA (Graduated October 08, 2010) was Subsequently discharged from the Army Reserves on September 22, 2010 with a General under honorable conditions discharge for lack of participation to drill.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

Second by: **COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY**

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

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

Chattanooga Police Department – Request a waiver to change academies for **Christopher Shea Cox (PSID# 6557-0397)** hired, March 12, 2021. On October 01, 2020 Mr. Cox withdrew from the Tennessee Highway Patrol Academy. The Chattanooga Police Department request a waiver to change academies be granted for Mr. Cox to attend the Chattanooga Police Department Basic Police Academy.

Appearing

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT**

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

Lawrence County Sheriff's Office– Request a waiver to change academies for **Kimberly LeAnn Barker (PSID# 0491-0388)** hired, December 08, 2020. In 2018, Ms. Barker attended the Tennessee Highway Patrol Academy but was unable to graduate due to a physical injury. The Lawrence County Sheriff's Office request a waiver to change academies be granted for Ms. Barker to attend the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

Second by: **COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III**

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

Walters State Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy – Request a waiver to change academies for **William Harley Nichols (PSID# 8384-1413)**. In January of 2019, Mr. Nichols attended the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy (TLETA) but was unable to graduate due to a physical injury. Walters State Community College Law Enforcement Training Academy request an academy waiver to allow Mr. Nichols to attend their next training academy.

Appearing

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT**

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

VII. 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 **10** 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.

VIII. 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.

Hohenwald Police Department – Request a waiver of In-Service for Robert Allen Fransen (PSID# - 35304) hired, July 06, 2005. Mr. Fransen failed to complete two hours of the required Firearms in-service training for the 2020 calendar year.

Appearing

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER MARK DUNBAR**

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

WAIVERS OF SIX (6) MONTH RULE:

THE TENNESSEE P.O.S.T. COMMISSION HAS RECEIVED AND REVIEWED **1** 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.

Bradford Police Department – Request a six (6) month waiver for Allen Dale Walls (PSID# 21344) hired, December 14, 2020. Mr. Walls is planning to attend the next available Basic Police School.

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY**

Second by: **COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON**

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.

Authorization Number 335472
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:

Franklin Police Department – Request a medical waiver for **Todd Andrew Stamper (PSID# 1565-6991)** hired, February 18, 1997. Due to medical restrictions Mr. Stamper was not able to complete the mandated Firearms qualification for the 2020 calendar year.

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III**
Second by: **COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT**
Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Ripley Police Department – Request a medical waiver for **Timothy Robert Mullen (PSID# 3675-7378)** hired, December 02, 2018. In May of 2019, Mr. Mullen was placed on medical leave and was not able to complete the mandated Firearms in-service training hours for the 2020 calendar year. The waiver will allow both the agency and the officer to remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines.

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER MARK DUNBAR**
Second by: **COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON**
Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

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 **2** 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.

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

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 6 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.

Austin Ross McDaniel (PSID# 0988-6117) Halls Police Department:

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER MARK DUNBAR**

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

APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR – 1110-03-.04

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 23 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:**

None to Report

- The officers listed below **if any** request a waiver of **the one-year training officer requirement:**

Joshua Wesley Wheeler (PSID# 5428-0197) Collierville Police Department
Paul Wayne Pritchard (PSID# 8800-7921) Rogersville Police Department
Lindsey Kate Gardner (PSID# 2412-3468) U. T. Knoxville Police Department

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

Second by: **COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER**

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

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

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved **219** 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 BOBBY WAGGONER**
Second by: **COMMISSIONER MARK DUNBAR**
Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

XI. OLD BUSINESS

NONE TO REPORT

XII. NEW BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Bradford Police Department – Request the Commission to reconsider the conviction waiver for **Allen Dale Walls (PSID# 21344)** hired, December 14, 2020. On November 27, 2015, Mr. Walls was arrested in Fort Walls Indiana and charged with Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated. On March 02, 2016, Mr. Walls plead guilty to Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated. Mr. Walls has since satisfied all court ordered fines and fees.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: **COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY**
Second by: **COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON**
Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Rogersville Police Department – **Wesley Michael Seals (PSID# 9118-5294)** hired, September 01, 2019 as a full-time officer. However, P.O.ST. did not receive the required pre-employment paperwork until February 19, 2021.

Appearing

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