



MINUTES/ACTIONS
AGENDA

John Bel Edwards
Governor

LOUISIANA STATE POLICE COMMISSION
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017
9:00 A.M.

Jason Hannaman
Executive Director

*STATE POLICE COMMISSION, SUITE 208, SECOND FLOOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT,
FINANCE & OMV BUILDING, 7979 INDEPENDENCE BLVD., BATON ROUGE, LA 70806*

I. Call to Order

THE STATE POLICE COMMISSION CONVENEED ITS MONTHLY GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING AT 9:06 A.M. ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017. PRESENT WERE TROOPER CHAIRMAN THOMAS DOSS, VICE-CHAIRMAN MONICA J. MANZELLA, JARED CARUSO-RIECKE, DR. MICHAEL W. NEUSTROM, HAROLD PIERITE, SR., AND EULIS SIMIEN, JR. ADDITIONALLY, COMMISSION REFEREE LENORE FEENEY AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JASON HANNAMAN WERE PRESENT.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

CHAIRMAN DOSS LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

IV. Business

1. Consideration of the July 13, 2017 minutes.

ON MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY PASSED; THE COMMISSION VOTED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 13, 2017 MEETING.

2. Discussion of proposed rule changes to Chapter 11, per General Circular 184:

THE COMMISSION CONDUCTED A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTING PROPOSED CHANGES TO CHAPTER 11 OF THE STATE POLICE COMMISSION RULES AS DETAILED IN GENERAL CIRCULAR 184.

Chapter 11

- Consideration of rule adoptions

ON MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY PASSED; THE COMMISSION APPROVED AMENDING THE PROPOSED NEW STATE POLICE COMMISSION RULE 11.29(k). THE AMENDED PROPOSED RULE 11.29(k) NOW READS AS FOLLOWS:

*Rule 11.29 Compensatory Leave**(a) ...**(b) ...**(c) ...**(k) An agency may pay the balance of an employee's compensatory time at any time. The rate of pay shall be calculated in accordance with the rules.*

- Public Comment – NO PUBLIC COMMENTS. COMMISSIONER SIMIEN ADVISED THAT SOME OF HIS PRIOR CONCERNS REGARDING THIS RULE WERE ALLAYED SINCE THE LAST MEETING; HOWEVER, HE CONTINUES TO HAVE CONCERNS THAT DISPARITY COULD OCCUR AND ADVISES CLOSE MONITORING. CHAIRMAN DOSS RECOMMENDED IMPLEMENTING AN ANNUAL REPORT OF USAGE OF THE RULE AND ANY COMPLAINTS MADE REGARDING THIS RULE.

ON MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY PASSED; THE COMMISSION APPROVED THE ADOPTION OF STATE POLICE COMMISSION RULE 11.29(k), AS AMENDED ON THE FLOOR.

3. In the matter of Burnell Thompson, III (Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police), Docket No. 17-230.

- a. Discussion of proposed settlement agreement and presentations by parties. MICHELLE GIROIR, DPS ATTORNEY, APPEARED ON BEHALF OF THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY; MR. THOMPSON WAS NOT REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL. MS. GIROIR ADVISED THAT THE PARTIES HAVE AGREED TO SETTLE THE MATTER.

- b. Executive session to discuss litigation in the appeal of Burnell Thompson, III, Docket No. 17-230.

ON MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY PASSED; THE COMMISSION VOTED TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

CHAIRMAN DOSS CALLED THE MEETING BACK TO ORDER AT 9:40 A.M.

- c. Consideration and vote on whether to accept proposed settlement agreement.

ON MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND PASSED; THE COMMISSION VOTED TO REJECT THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR BURNELL THOMPSON, III, AND DOCKET NO. 17- 230.

4. Discussion of response to SPC request that T. Taylor Townsend produce SPC documents that were obtained or generated by him in his role as legal counsel for SPC, and of the report that he should have prepared in connection with the summary disposition of Docket #16-221-I, Investigation of LSTA Political Contributions.

DIRECTOR HANNAMAN ADVISED THAT THE BOX OF DOCUMENTS RECEIVED FROM T. TAYLOR TOWNSEND CONTAINED NO REPORT RELATING TO DOCKET #16-221-I. COMMISSIONER SIMIEN ADVISED THAT MR. TOWNSEND HAS COMMUNICATED TO HIM PERSONALLY THAT A REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED FOR THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER.

5. Other Commission Business

COMMISSIONER RIECKE COMMENTED ON THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE OFFICE OF RISK MANAGEMENT (ORM) INSURANCE PREMIUM INVOICE RECEIVED BY THE COMMISSION. THE DIRECTOR REVIEWED THE INVOICE, CONTACTED THE RELEVANT PARTIES, AND CALLED ATTENTION TO THE MATTER; THE PREMIUM INCREASE WAS AN ERROR AND AN AMENDED INVOICE FROM ORM WILL BE GENERATED FOR THE SPC.

V. Director's Report

DIRECTOR JASON HANNAMAN ADVISED THE COMMISSION THAT NOTICE WAS RECEIVED FROM CENTENARY COLLEGE OF THREE NOMINATIONS FOR THE COMMISSION VACANCY IN THE 4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT. THE NOMINATIONS HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND A FOLLOW-UP WILL BE COMPLETED WITH THE DIRECTOR FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. THE GOVERNOR MUST MAKE HIS DECISION WITHIN 30 DAYS.

VI. Adjourn

ON MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY PASSED; THE COMMISSION VOTED TO ADJOURN AT 9:51 A.M. ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,


JASON HANNAMAN, EXEC. DIRECTOR