



ACTIONS/MINUTES  
STATE POLICE COMMISSION  
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024  
10:00 A.M.

JEFF LANDRY  
GOVERNOR

JASON HANNAMAN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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STATE POLICE COMMISSION, VETERANS MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM, SUITE 1247,  
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I. Call to Order

The State Police Commission convened its monthly general business meeting at 10:02 A.M. on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

II. Roll Call

Present were Chairman Eulis Simien, Jr., Vice-Chairman Monty Montelongo, Commissioners Ross Bourgeois, Jared Caruso-Riecke, Mark "Aubrey" Cole, Michael Dubos, and James Kowalski. There was a quorum. Commission Referee Lenore Feeney, Deputy Director Aarika Dorsey, and Executive Director Jason Hannaman were also present.

III. Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was observed.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Eulis Simien led the Pledge of Allegiance.

V. Opportunity to Address the Commission by employees or others concerning items on the agenda. (Please submit a speaker request form prior to the meeting being called to order.)

There were no requests by employees or others to address the Commission on matters on the agenda.

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VI. Business

1. Consideration of the meeting minutes from September 19, 2024

On motion duly made by Vice-Chairman Montelongo, seconded, and unanimously passed; the Commission voted to adopt the meeting minutes from September 19, 2024.

In Favor: Commissioners Cole, DuBos, Kowalski, Vice-Chairman Montelongo, and Chairman Simien

Opposed: None

Abstained: Commissioners Riecke and Bourgeois

2. Consideration of a request from the Office of State Police to establish a new unclassified Lieutenant Colonel position in accordance with SPC Rule 4.1(d)2 to serve as the Deputy Superintendent of Special Operations. (Representative of the agency to be available to answer any questions of the Commission.)

Colonel Robert Hodges, State Police Superintendent, appeared on behalf of the Office of State Police to discuss the need to establish the position.

On motion duly made by Vice-Chairman Montelongo, seconded, and unanimously passed; the Commission voted to approve the request.

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

3. Consideration of a request from the Office of State Police to establish a new classified Major position to serve as the Command Inspector of Emergency Response within the Special Operations Division. (Representative of the agency to be available to answer any questions of the Commission.)

Colonel Robert Hodges, State Police Superintendent, appeared on behalf of the Office of State Police to discuss the need to establish this position which will report to the new Deputy Superintendent of Special Operations and supervise Crisis Response, Air Support, and Emergency Services.

On motion duly made by Commissioner Bourgeois, seconded, and unanimously passed; the Commission voted to approve the request.

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

4. Public hearing to consider proposed changes to the State Police Technical Support Series minimum qualifications as detailed in General Circular No. 239.

- Public Comments

Major Robert Burns appeared on behalf of the Office of State Police. Major Burns spoke in favor of the proposed changes as detailed in General Circular No. 239 and provided additional details for the commissioners regarding the organizational needs of the department and the incumbents in the series.

- Consideration of Proposed Changes

On motion duly made by Commissioner Cole, seconded, and unanimously passed; the Commission voted to approve the proposed changes to the State Police Technical Support Series minimum qualifications as detailed in General Circular No. 239.

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

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## VII. Director's Report

- Monthly Expenditures

The Commission's attention was directed to the Commission's Monthly Expenditure Report, which had been provided for review. There were no questions regarding the report.

- Annual Training:

The commissioners were advised that their two annual trainings, Ethics and Preventing Sexual Harassment, are due by the end of the calendar year.

- The next regular business meeting is scheduled for 10 A.M. on December 12, 2024.

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- VIII. Opportunity to Address the Commission by employees or others on matters not on the agenda. (Please submit a speaker request form prior to the meeting being called to order.)  
A request was received from Mr. Robert Burns of Sound Off Louisiana. He appeared and presented a document on behalf of Ms. Belinda Parker Brown to the Commission with terms for a proposed settlement to pending litigation.
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Commissioner DuBos took a moment to recognize the professionalism and the overall great job of the Louisiana State Police Troopers in New Orleans during the Taylor Swift concert weekend.

- IX. Adjourn  
There being no further business on a motion duly made by Chairman Simien, seconded, and unanimously passed; the Commission voted to adjourn at 10:33 A.M. on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Jason Hannaman, Executive Director

  
Eulis Simien, Jr. Chairman