

MINUTES  
STATE POLICE COMMISSION  
February 17, 2011

The State Police Commission convened its monthly meeting at 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 17, 2011 in Class Room 5, Building A, State Police Training Academy, 7901 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Present were Chairman Mark Oxley, Vice-Chairman Jason Turner, Members Joseph Cage, Jr., Franklin Kyle, and William Norfolk, Attorney. Members William Goldring and Freddie Pitcher Jr. were absent. Ben Adams resigned from the Commission via letter dated February 7, 2011.

On motion duly made and seconded by unanimous vote of the Members present, the Commission voted to approve the Minutes from the January 20, 2011 meeting.

Under Employee Opportunity to Address the Commission, Lt. Jason Starnes appeared in accordance to Commission Rule 6.29 (Other Compensation) to request approval to provide authorized employees a monthly stipend for cellular telephone voice/data service plans. This program will provide a monthly cellular phone/PDA stipend option for employees in lieu of providing a Department issued phone. The allowance option would apply only to those employees that have authorization for the issuance of a Department phone and is not applicable to all employees. The plan would give the employee the option of accepting a monthly allowance equal to the dollar amount the Department currently pays for the employee to have a device, which is currently \$50. The Administration would like to pilot this imitative for four (4) months in order to evaluate the program and in order to address any problems that may arise. David Young, Director of Louisiana State Troopers Association, stated that LSTA has no objection to this proposal other than noting that personal cells phones would then be subject to subpoena and recommending that a plan be in place in order to address this. Allison McLeary, Legal, stated that employees would be notified of this prior to accepting the stipend. Bill Norfolk stated that the Commission would need to see a copy

of the plan before they would be able to vote. Lt. Jason Starnes will provide this at the next meeting.

Regarding Hearing on the Petition by Office of the State Police for extension of time to complete an Administrative Investigation of Trooper Timothy Gray, the Commission granted the sixty (60) day extension.

The public hearing of the appeal of Phillip Belone, (Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of the State Police), Docket No. 10-195-S, was called. The Commission received testimony and evidence until 1:00 P.M. at which time the Commission voted to continue the remainder of the hearing until April 21, 2011.

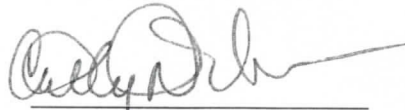
On motion duly made and seconded, by unanimous vote of members present, the Commission voted to enter into executive session to discuss pending appeals.

At the Conclusion of the Commission's agenda, on motion duly made and seconded, by unanimous vote of the members present, the Commission voted to adjourn its meeting at 1:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:



Mark Oxley, Chairman



Cathy Derbonne, Executive Director