

MINUTES
STATE POLICE
COMMISSION

Date: February 09, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: State Police Commission
Office of Management Finance & OMV Building
7979 Independence Boulevard, Suite 208
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

Present: Donald Breaux
Eulis Simien, Jr.
Thomas "T.J." Doss
Jared Riecke
Monica J. Manzella
Calvin Braxton, Sr
W. Lloyd Grafton

Lenore Feeney, Referee

Scribe: Christy Cephus

Absent: T. Taylor Townsend

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order: Trooper TJ Doss, Chairman
- II. Pledge of Allegiance – Trooper TJ Doss, Chairman
- Roll Call of the Members – Lenore Feeney, Referee
- III. Business
 1. Consideration of the December 8, 2016 Minutes
 2. Consideration of the January 12, 2017 Minutes
 3. Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others
 4. Continued discussion of the C.A.O. position at LSP
 5. Executive session for discussion of the appeal of William R. Woodward, III Docket NO. 16-229, (strategy session/ negotiations with respect to litigation).
 6. In the matter of William R. Woodward, III Docket No. 16-229; discussion/ vote regarding whether the appeal may proceed.
 7. Formation of subcommittees (review of applications for E.D. position; research and continuing education; testing support; and budget analysis and improvements
 8. Consideration of whether to schedule special meeting for hiring of executive director.
 9. Other Commission Business
 10. Adjourn.

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- I. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Trooper TJ Doss, Chairman
 - II. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Chairman Doss led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - Roll Call.** Ms. Feeney called the roll. Seven members were present, and there was a quorum.
 - III. **Business**
 1. **Consideration of the December 8, 2016 Minutes**

Mr. Riecke made a motion to add to the records for January 12, 2017 minutes "my understanding through Cathy". Then Mr. Braxton made a request to amend the minutes to

change the date from December 8, 2016 to January 12, 2017. Mr. Riecke made a motion again that those two corrections be made. Mr. Braxton seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

Consideration of the January 12, 2017

Mr. Braxton made a motion to add on the January 12th minutes under "opportunity to address the commission by employees or others" to reflect that the date January 12, 2017 should be "February 9, 2017". The motion was seconded by Mr. Riecke and was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

2. Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others

Mr. Leon Millet discussed and wanted to add to the record a copy of the consent order from the Louisiana Board of Ethics and signed by the Board of Ethics.

Mr. Grafton asked Mr. Millet concerning the percentage collected by the Board of Ethics.

Mr. Simien explained the conclusion on the matter.

3. Continued discussion of the C.A.O position at LSP

Mr. Riecke asked for Ms. Krieg to discuss details of the C.A.O position

Ms. Ginger Krieg, Human Resources Director for Department of Public Safety discussed the C.A.O. position. She explained the pay scale, date filled, and date created.

Mr. Simien stated he was under the impression, that that C.A.O. position would not get a raise.

Mr. Grafton addressed the Commission and publicly gave his resignation during the meeting. He left the meeting following his resignation.

Mr. Braxton addressed the Commission and advised that he would not to attend the Executive Session. Mr. Braxton left the meeting before Executive Session began.

4. Executive session for discussion of the appeal of William R. Woodward, III Docket No. 16-229, (strategy session/negotiation with respect to litigation).

Mr. Riecke made a motion to go into Executive Session, and the motion was seconded by Chairman Doss and the motion passed without opposition.

Call to Order. The public meeting was again called to order at 9:45 a.m. by Chairman Doss.

5. In the matter of William R. Woodard, III, Docket No. 16-229; discussion/vote regarding whether the appeal may proceed.

Mr. Simien requested to move the matter to the Summary Docket at the next meeting, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Riecke the motion was approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

6. Formation of subcommittees (review of applications for E.D. position; research and continuing education; testing support; and budget analysis and improvements)

Mr. Riecke discussed having subcommittees, continuing education, testing support, budget analysis, and improvements. Mr. Riecke explained that 75 applicants applied for the Executive Director position. Mr. Riecke stated that only 7 final applicants will be interviewed and given an opportunity for the Executive Director position.

7. Consideration of whether to schedule special meeting for hiring of executive director.

Mr. Simien made a motion to have a special meeting for February 20th and 22nd 2017 and Mr. Riecke seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by unanimous vote of the Members present.

8. Other Commission Business

There was no other business to discuss

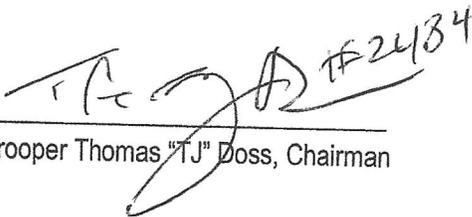
9. **Adjournment**

At the conclusion of the Commission's agenda, Mr. Doss moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Ms. Manzella, and passed with no opposition. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Next meeting: The next special business meeting of the State Police Commission will be held on February 20, 2017, at 1:00 p.m., at the Office of Management & Finance & OMV Building, 7979 Independence Blvd, Suite 208, Baton Rouge, La. 70806.

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Respectfully Submitted by:

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Trooper Thomas "TJ" Doss, Chairman

MINUTES
STATE POLICE
COMMISSION

Date: February 20, 2017

Time: 1:20 p.m.

Location: State Police Commission
Office of Management Finance & OMV Building
7979 Independence Boulevard, Suite 208
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

Present: Donald Breaux
Eulis Simien, Jr.
Thomas "T.J." Doss
Jared Riecke
Monica J. Manzella
Calvin Braxton, Sr.

Lenore Feeney, Referee

Vacancies: 1

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Business
 1. Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others
 2. Consideration of employment applications for the position of Executive Director, and determination of which of those applicants to interview.
 3. Adjourn.

I. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 1:20p.m. By Trooper Thomas Doss, Chairman.

II. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Chairman Doss led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call. Ms. Cephus called the roll. Six members were present, and there was a quorum.

III. **Business**

1. **Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others**

Mr. Braxton addresses the Commission on the validation of Mr. Grafton Resignation.

Ms. Feeney discusses the process of the appointing of the board members to the Commission.

Mr. Riecke addresses The Commission and advised that he believed Mr. Grafton's public resignation and departure from meeting thereafter was sufficient notice Mr. Grafton had resignation.

Mr. Simien addressed the Commission about whether the meeting was in violation of the Open Meeting's law based on Mr. Braxton's comments about notification of Mr. Grafton's resignation about the meeting. There were further discussions about Mr. Grafton's resignation. Ms. Manzella noted that all members were notified of the meeting when it was posted on the website.

Mr. Robert Burns discussed and provided examples of problems that arose from someone's resignation in another state agency.

2. **Consideration of employment application for the position of Executive Director, and determination of which of those applicants to interview.**

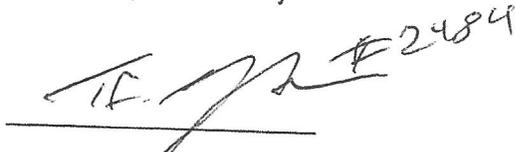
Because of the Commission's concern about whether Mr. Grafton should have been notified of the meeting, it was determined that this meeting should be adjourned, and consideration of employment applications for the position of Executive Director would begin on Wednesday, February 22, 2017. Mr. Doss suggested that each member should choose 5 applicants out of 15 to discuss for interviewing on Wednesday

Next Meeting: The next special business meeting of the State Police Commission will be held on February 22, 2017 at 3:00p.m. at the Office of Management and Finance & OMV Building, 7979 Independence Blvd., Suite 208, Baton Rouge, La. 70805.

3. **Adjournment.** At the conclusion of the Commission's agenda, Mr. Riecke moved to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was seconded by Thomas Doss, and passed with no opposition. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted by:


Trooper Thomas "T.J." Doss

MINUTES
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Date: February 22, 2017

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Location: State Police Commission
Office of Management Finance & OMV Building
7979 Independence Boulevard, Suite 208
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

Present: Donald Breaux
Thomas "T.J." Doss
Jared Riecke
Monica J. Manzella

Lenore Feeney, Referee T.
Taylor Townsend, Referee

Vacancies: 1_(W. Lloyd Grafton)

Absent: Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.
Eulius Simien, Jr

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order: Trooper Thomas TJ Doss, Chairman
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call of the Members – Christy Cephus, Test Analyst
- III. Business
 1. Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others
 2. Consideration of employment applications for the position of Executive Director, and determination of which of those applicants to interview.
 3. Adjourn.

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- I. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 3:00p.m. by Trooper Thomas Doss, Chairman.
 - II. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Chairman Doss led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Roll Call. Ms. Cephus called the roll. Four members were present, which constituted a quorum. Mr. Braxton was absent. Mr. Simien was absent due to a trial.
 - III. **Business**
 1. **Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others**

Mr. Dan Sullivan from Civil Service League explained the procedures for appointing members to the Commission and advised that he previously met with the former Executive Director, Cathy Derbonne, Chairman Doss, and Lenora Feeney to explain the procedure. He advised that he was not present when any phone calls occurred with any other Commission members. Mr. Robert Burns gave his opinion on former Executive Director, Cathy Derbonne, and submitted His opinion regarding the employment of and suggested the Commission rehire her to avoid Litigation.

Chairman Doss asked Ms. Feeney to describe the rules concerning whether a Commissioner must provide a written resignation following a public resignation. Only a commissioner who has been elected to the Commission must provide a written resignation to Secretary of State.

2. Consideration of employment applications for the position

During the Commission meeting, the Commissioners agreed that they would select 7 applicants out of a total of 75 to arrange interviews on Friday, February 24, 2017 at 1:00P.M. The 7 individuals that were selected are:

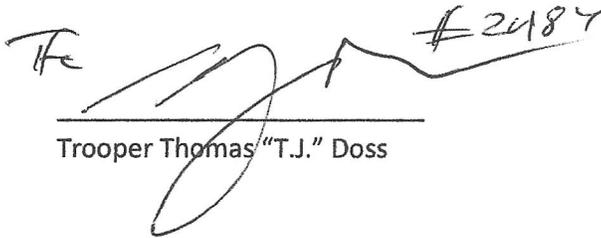
1. Jason Cook
2. Jacqueline Cummings
3. Christy Griffin
4. Jason Hannaman
5. Thomas Jarlock
6. Tara LeBlanc
7. Michael Vogel

Next Meeting: The Special meeting of the State Police Commission will be held on February 24, 2017 at 1:00P.M. at Office of Management Finance & OMV Building, 7979 Independence Blvd., Suite 208, Baton Rouge, La. 70806

3. **Adjournment.** At the conclusion of the Commission's agenda, Mr. Riecke moved to adjourn the meeting, And the motion was seconded by Monica Manzella, and passed with no opposition. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted by:



Trooper Thomas "T.J." Doss

MINUTES
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Date: February 24, 2017

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: State Police Commission
Office of Management Finance & OMV Building
7979 Independence Boulevard, Suite 208
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

Present: Donald Breaux
Eulis Simien, Jr.
Thomas "T.J." Doss
Jared Riecke
Monica J. Manzella

Lenore Feeney, Referee

Vacancies: 1

Absent: Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order: Trooper Thomas "TJ" Doss, Chairman
- II. Pledge of Allegiance: Trooper Thomas "TJ" Doss, Chairman
- Roll Call of the Members: Christy Cephus, Test Analyst
- III. Business:
 1. Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others
 2. Executive Session for interviews and discussion of professional competence of applicants for the position of Executive Director.
 3. Consideration of applicants for the position of Executive Director and selection of new Executive Director.
 4. Adjourn.

I. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 1:00p.m. by Trooper Thomas Doss, Chairman

II. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Chairman Doss led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call. Ms. Cephus called the roll. Five members were present, and there was a quorum.

III. **Business**

1. **Opportunity to Address the Commission by Employees or Others.**

Ms. Feeney advised the lawyers in the Ronald Picou appeal stated that they could complete the hearing in one day if the hearing could begin at 8a.m. All Commissioners present agreed to hear the Picou appeal on April 13, 2017 at 8a.m.

2. **Executive Session for interviews and discussion of professional competence of applicants for the position of Executive Director.**

Chairman Doss asked whether there was a motion to go into Executive Session to

Executive Session to interview 7 applicants for Executive Director Position. Mr. Breaux motion was made and seconded by Mr. Riecke and was approved by unanimous vote of all members present.

Meeting called back to order at 5:07p.m.

3. Consideration of applicants for the position of Executive Director and selection of new Executive Director.

Mr. Riecke added to the record, "As a Commission, we are thoroughly impressed with some of the applications that were received".

Mr. Doss was completely impressed by this humbling experience to see the amount of applicants interested in this position.

Ms. Manzella added for the record the professionalism of all the applicant's.

The top two applicants were Jason Hannaman and Jacqueline Cummings.

The votes for the top two applicants:

Eulius Simien: Jacqueline Cummings

Monica Manzella: Jason Hannaman

Chairman Thomas Doss: Jason Hannaman

Donald Breaux: Jason Hannaman

Jared Caruso- Riecke: Jason Hannaman

Mr. Simien made a motion that if Jason Hannaman does not accept the position, an offer would be made to Jacqueline Cummings, and the motion was seconded by Mr. Breaux, and was approved by unanimous vote of all members present.

Mr. Simien motion made a motion that the salary of the E.D. be set for \$120,000 a year, and was seconded by Mr. Riecke. After discussion, Mr. Simien moved to amend his motion to change the salary from 120,000 to \$109,000 a year. Mr. Simien moved to amend the salary to \$109,000 and Mr. Breaux seconded. All Commission voted in favor of the motion as amend.

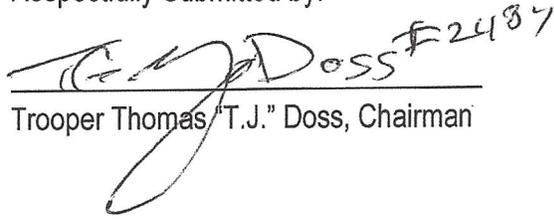
Mr. Doss moved to make a offer to Jason Hannaman of \$109,000 to assume the role of Executive Director, pending his acceptance. If he does not accept, the same offer will be given to Jacqueline Cummings. Mr. Jason Hannaman has 4 business days to accept the offer until March 2, 2017 at noon, after which the offer will be made to Ms. Cummings. Mr. Riecke seconded the motion and was approved by unanimous vote of all members present.

4. Adjournment. At the conclusion of the Commission's agenda, a motion was made by Mr. Breaux to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Riecke and passed with no opposition. The meeting was adjourned at 5:19p.m.

Next Meeting: The next regular business meeting of the State Police Commission will be held on March 9, 2017 at 9:00a.m., at Office of Management and Finance & OMV Building, 7979 Independence Blvd., Suite 208, Baton Rouge, La. 70806.

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Respectfully Submitted by:

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Trooper Thomas "T.J." Doss, Chairman