

ILLINOIS STATE POLICE MERIT BOARD

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING – April 11, 2014

Present were Art Smith, Board Chairman, George Pradel, Board Secretary; Earl Hernandez, Board Member; Ronald Cooley, Executive Director; Julie Jones Webster, Human Resource Specialist. Board Member Jim Riley attended the meeting via teleconference. The meeting was held at the office of the Illinois State Police Merit Board, 531 Sangamon Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois.

Also in attendance was Ms. Meredith Jamison, State Police Merit Board staff; Lieutenant Steve Lyddon, ISP Legal; Mr. Joshua Meyer, private citizen and Mr. Tom Hendrickson, private citizen.

Board Chairman Art Smith opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Board Chairman Art Smith introduced the Board members and asked guests to introduce themselves.

Board Chairman Art Smith reminded everyone that the meeting was being recorded for ease in writing the minutes.

The following minutes were approved:

January 3, 2014 – 1st Quarter Merit Board Meeting

Director Ron Cooley reported the applicant process; Cadet Class 123 currently has 42 cadets remaining and they are scheduled to graduate on May 2, 2014. He reported Cadet Class 124 reported on February 2 and currently has 38 cadets remaining and they are scheduled to graduate in August. He reported Oral interviews were conducted On April 9 & 10 for Cadet Class 125 and the certified list of candidates will be delivered to the director of the Illinois State Police on Monday, April 14. He also reported backgrounds for 190 cadets were initiated for a Cadet Class 126 which will begin in October of 2014.

Mr. Cooley reported the 2014 Promotional Process had a kick off meeting on February 25 where critical issues were discussed and the Reading list materials were determined. The reading list will be published on April 21, 2014.

Chairman Smith asked if there were any questions from our guests.

The Board went out of Open session and went into closed session.

The Board discussed the Trooper Travis Jackson matter.

The Board discussed the Motion to Dismiss in the Special Agent Pete Goodman matter.

The Board discussed the Joint Motion for a Decision in the Master Sergeant Chadd Brody matter.

Julie updated the Board on the Disciplinary report.

Ron updated the Board on Capitol Business and lawsuits.

The Board discussed keeping the January 3, 2014 closed meeting minutes confidential.

The Board voted to go out of closed session and to go back into open session.

In the matter of Trooper Travis Jackson, The Board unanimously voted to deny the motion for Judgement on the Pleadings and the case is remanded back to the Hearing Officer for further proceedings.

The Board unanimously voted to accept the Motion to Dismiss in the Pete Goodman matter due to his resignation.

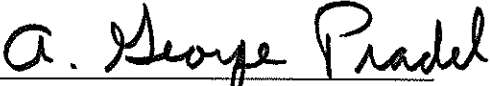
The Board unanimously voted to accept the Joint Motion for a Decision in the Master Sergeant Chadd Brody matter and suspended Master Sergeant Brody for 90 days.

The Board voted to keep the January 3, 2014 closed meeting minutes confidential.

Chairman Art Smith asked if there were any questions from the audience.

There were no questions.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.


George Pradel, Secretary