



**PEACE OFFICERS STANDARD AND TRAINING  
COMMISSION COMMITTEE MEETING  
JULY 16, 2021  
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**I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion to Approve by: Commissioner Lowell Russell  
Second Commissioner Mark Dunbar  
Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

**II. ADMINISTRATION MATTERS**

**ROLL CALL**

**COMMISSIONER KIM BIRCHFIELD - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY – Present**  
**COMMISSIONER MARK DUNBAR - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER RAY FARRIS - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER DEBORAH FAULKNER - Vice Chair – Absent**  
**COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER BUD HULSEY - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER CHAD PARTIN – Chair - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER - Present**  
**COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT - Present**

**DISCLAIMER – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BRIAN GRISHAM**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 18, 2021 COMMISSION MEETING:**

Motion to Approve by: Commissioner Brian Wright  
Second Commissioner Tom Spangler  
Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

**IV. DECERTIFICATION HEARING HELD THIS MONTH**

Decertification hearing held July 15, 2021.

Motion to Approve by: Commissioner Tom Spangler  
Second Commissioner Brian Wright  
Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

**V. APPEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION/WAIVERS FOR PRE-EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-9-.04**

**Anderson County Sheriff's Office** - Request two conviction waivers for **John Colt Jennings (PSID# 1177-7045)** hired, August 02, 2021. On June 12, 2004, Mr. Jennings was arrested in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina and charged with Public Disorderly Conduct. On July 15, 2004, Mr. Jennings plead guilty to Public Disorderly Conduct.

On February 07, 2013, Mr. Jennings was arrested in Snowshoe, West Virginia and charged with Public Intoxication. On March 07, 2013, Mr. Jennings plead guilty to Public Intoxication. Mr. Jennings has since satisfied all court ordered fines and fees.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Brent Cherry**

Second **Commissioner Brian Wright**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

**Washington County Sheriff's Department** - Request a conviction waiver for **Edwin Melvin Graybeal III (PSID# 9816-4436)** hired, June 07, 2021. On November 06, 2019, Mr. Graybeal was arrested in Jonesborough, Tennessee and charged with Assault. On May 18, 2020, Mr. Graybeal plead guilty to Assault. Mr. Graybeal has since satisfied all court ordered fines and fees.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Disapprove** by: **Commissioner Lowell Russell**

Second **Commissioner Ed Jackson**

Remarks: **The Motion to Disapprove Carried.**

**VI. WAIVER TO ATTEND ANOTHER ACADEMY – P.O.S.T. Rule 1110-02-.03(3)**

**Tennessee Highway Patrol** – Request a waiver to change academies for **Brandon Douglas McGowan (PSID# 8440-4462)** hired, June 27, 2021. In August of 2020, Mr. McGowan attended the Metro Nashville Police Department Training Academy. Due to a prior injury, Mr. McGowan was unable to complete the training.

**Appearing**

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Bobby Waggoner**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Authorization Number 335472

**Tennessee Highway Patrol** – Request a waiver to change academies for **Bradley Austin Keeton (PSID# 8195-5833)** hired, June 27, 2021. In December of 2019, Mr. Keeton attended the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy. Mr. Keeton was unable to complete the training due to being administratively withdrawn.

**Appearing**

Motion to Approve by: **Commissioner Mark Dunbar**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

**Tennessee Highway Patrol** – Request a waiver to change academies for **Christian Josiah Beauregard (PSID# 7320-2657)** hired, June 27, 2021. In January of 2021, Mr. Beauregard attended the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy. On February 21, 2021, Mr. Beauregard departed from TLETA to pursue a career with the Tennessee Highway Patrol.

**Appearing**

Motion to Approve by: **Commissioner Brian Wright**

Second **Commissioner Lowell Russell**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

**VII. WAIVER OF BASIC TRAINING/SPECIALIZED SUBSTITUTIONS FOR IN SERVICE TRAINING – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-9-.02**

**The following requests for Waiver/Substitution of Basic Training have been reviewed and appear to meet P.O.S.T. requirements:**

P.O.S.T. Assistant Director reviewed and administratively approved **6** P.O.S.T. Transition School Waivers and all corresponding supporting documents. The reported documents appear to be in order and meet or exceed the minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements.

In addition, P.O.S.T. Assistant Director reviewed and administratively approved **9** solo waiver requests based on the recently expired Governor's orders. Due to the recent expiration of the orders, the P.O.S.T. Commission has approved for solo waiver requests to be administratively approved until the virtual P.O.S.T. Transition School is completed.

**VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE WAIVERS**

**WAIVER OF IN-SERVICE – RULE 1110-09-.05**

**Request for a waiver have been received for the following officers so that they as well as their departments will remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines. They are not eligible for a Salary Supplement.**

NONE TO REPORT

**WAIVERS OF SIX (6) MONTH RULE:**

THE TENNESSEE P.O.S.T. COMMISSION HAS RECEIVED AND REVIEWED 0 SIX-MONTH WAIVER WHICH FALL UNDER THE PROVISIONS OUTLINED IN THE GOVERNOR’S EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15.30.

“The provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 38-8-107 and 38-8-111, requiring completion of basic training and in-service credits are suspended to the extent necessary to give the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission discretion to reasonably extend the deadline for meeting such requirements as necessary to respond to the effects of COVID-19.”

**THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUESTING A WAIVER OF THE SIX (6) MONTH RULE TO KEEP THEIR OFFICER(S) AND THE DEPARTMENT IN COMPLIANCE.**

NONE TO REPORT

**WAIVERS OF EIGHT (8) MONTH RULE:**

**The following officer(s) are requesting a waiver of the eight-month rule. They will receive the 2020 Salary Supplement payment if they completed 2020 In-Service requirements.**

NONE TO REPORT

**WAIVER FOR MEDICAL – RULE 1110-09-.06**

**The following departments are requesting a waiver for medical reasons for the 2020 calendar year, so the departments will also remain in compliance. Officers did not complete in-service training and are not eligible for Salary Supplement:**

NONE TO REPORT

**WAIVERS FOR MILITARY LEAVE – RULE 1110-09-.06(5)**

**The following departments are requesting a waiver for military service for the 2020 calendar year. Military orders are included along with change of status. These officers will be eligible to receive salary supplements, and the departments will remain in compliance.**

P.O.S.T. Assistant Director has reviewed and administratively approved **0** Military Waivers and corresponding supporting documents. All the reported documents appear to be in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements.

**IX. APPLICATIONS FOR TRAINING OFFICER – 1110-04-.03**

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved **3** application(s) for Training Officer, and they appear to meet criteria for approval.

The officer(s) listed below **if any** will be informed, they have one year to complete the Instructor Development course or approved substitute.

**X. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR – 1110-03-.04**

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved **9** application(s) for Certified Instructor, and they appear to be in order and meet minimum standards, and they have completed the minimum hours in attendance of required courses.

- The instructors listed below **if any** will be notified, they have **one year to complete Instructor Development or approved substitute:**
- The officers listed below **if any** request a waiver of **the one-year training officer requirement:**

**Austin Ross McDaniel (PSID# 0988-6117)**  
**James Cody Dean Owens (PSID# 2207-0261)**  
**Ean Jared Reed (PSID# 3361-8921)**  
**Eric Morgan Craddock (PSID# 1964-6823)**

**Halls Police Department**  
**Oliver Springs Police Department**  
**Paris Police Department**  
**Sumner County Sheriff's Office**

Motion to Approve by: **Commissioner Tom Spangler**  
Second **Commissioner Brian Wright**  
Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

**XI. CURRICULUM AND TESTS – 1110-04 and SPECIALIZED TRAINING CURRICULUM – 1110-04-.09**

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved **113** in-service and specialized training classes this month as they appear to be in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements. They have made note if these training offerings meet the P.O.S.T. requirements for Firearms, EVOC, Mental Illness and CSA.

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

NONE TO REPORT

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**The 2021 audit/inspection report of the Crockett County Sheriff's Office was conducted on May 27, 2021.**

**Findings:**

None to Report

**Recommendations:**

None to Report

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Brian Wright**

Second **Commissioner Lowell Russell**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

**The 2021 audit/inspection report of the Christian Brother University Police Department was conducted on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.**

**Findings:**

Two personnel files were missing required documents. One personnel file was missing a birth certificate, the other was missing a high school diploma. Chief Lotrionte was working on obtaining the required documents.

**Recommendations:**

GDI and P.O.S.T. training for agency administration

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Chad Partin**

Second **Commissioner Bud Hulsev**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Authorization Number 335472

**Blount County Sheriff's Office Regional Training Academy** – Request the Commission's approval to host an Internal Lateral School for the 2021 calendar year.

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Second **Commissioner Bobby Waggoner**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

**Tellico Plains Police Department – David Eugene Bookout (PSID# 2241-5543)** was hired May 4, 2020. However, P.O.S.T. did not receive the required pre-employment paperwork until June 10, 2021.

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Bobby Waggoner**

Second **Commissioner Tom Spangler**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**