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Walt Valentine, Chair


Stuart W Bayne


Alan G Rousseau


Paul David Brown Jr, Vice Chair


Larry T Flair, Sr.


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agenda is approval of the minutes from the last
Education Committee and Commission meeting. Has each
Commission member received and had a time to review a
copy of the minutes, and if so, is there a motion to
adopt these minutes?
    MR. BROWN: Commissioner Brown makes a
motion we adopt the minutes.
    MR. ROUSSEAU: I second. Alan Rousseau.
    CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: It's been moved and
seconded to adopt the minutes. Any discussion?
Hearing none, all -- would you please call the roll?
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MS. VEST: Walt Valentine?
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Aye.
MS. VEST: Ayes have it.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Next on the agenda is the legal report.

MS. VEST: No, next on the agenda is your election of officers, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Okay. I stand corrected.

MS. VEST: That's okay. I do have a
script l'll read off from, if that's okay. It gets a
little complicated. We are calling for nominations
for the Private Investigation and Polygraph
Commission's chair.
Do I have any nominations?
MR. BROWN: I nominate Walt Valentine.
MS. VEST: All right.
MR. BAYNE: Bayne, second.
MS. VEST: Walt's been nominated by David
Brown and it's seconded by Mr. Bayne, correct?

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MR. BAYNE: Correct.
MS. VEST: Are there any other
nominations? Okay. If there's no other nominations, we have a motion and a second, do we vote for election by acclimation?

MR. ROUSSEAU: I so move.
MS. VEST: Okay. By Mr. Rousseau. We'll need tyke a roll call vote for the election.

Stuart Bayne?
MR. BAYNE: Aye.
MS. VEST: David Brown?
MR. BROWN: Aye.
MS. VEST: Larry Flair?
MR. FLAIR: Aye.
MS. VEST: Robin Johnston?
MS. JOHNSTON: Aye.
MS. VEST: Alan Rousseau?
MR. ROUSSEAU: Aye.
MS. VEST: Doug Shanks?
MR. SHANKS: Aye.
MS. VEST: The ayes have it, so we do
have a chair for the Private Investigation and
Polygraph Commission. Congratulations,
Mr . Valentine.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: I'm not sure that's
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\hline & really -- but anyway. Thank you. Page 9 & 1 & Okay. The next thing on the agenda is the adoption \\
\hline 2 & MS. VEST: We have to vote for the & 2 & of Roberts Rules of Order. I need a vote for that. \\
\hline 3 & vice-chair. & 3 & MR. ROUSSEAU: I move we accept the \\
\hline 4 & MR. BAYNE: I nominate David Brown. & 4 & Robert Rules of Order. \\
\hline 5 & MR. ROUSSEAU: I second. & 5 & MS. JOHNSTON: I'll second. \\
\hline 6 & MS. VEST: Mr. Brown just walked out of & 6 & CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: All in -- any \\
\hline 7 & , Commission meeting, but his name has been put in & 7 & discussion? All in favor say aye. \\
\hline 8 & for nomination. David Brown, let me see if I can & 8 & THE COMMISSION: Aye. \\
\hline 9 & write this down, was nominated by Mr. Bayne? & 9 & CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Wait a minute, you \\
\hline 10 & MR. BAYNE: Yes, ma'am. & 10 & need to call the roll on that. \\
\hline 11 & MS. VEST: And it was seconded by & 11 & MS. VEST: Thank you. \\
\hline 12 & Mr. Rousseau. Are there any other nominations? All & 12 & CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Sorry about that. \\
\hline 13 & right. This time we'll call for the -- election by & 13 & MS. VEST: Stuart Bayne? \\
\hline 14 & -- this should be a motion and second and vote for & 14 & MR. BAYNE: Aye. \\
\hline 15 & the election by acclimation. & 15 & MS. VEST: David Brown? \\
\hline 16 & MR. ROUSSEAU: I move that we accept & 16 & MR. BROWN: Aye. \\
\hline 17 & David Brown as the vice-chairman by an calculation. & 17 & MS. VEST: Larry Flair? \\
\hline 18 & MS. VEST: Second. & 18 & MR. FLAIR: Aye. \\
\hline 19 & MR. FLAIR: I'll second that, madam. & 19 & MS. VEST: Robin Johnston? \\
\hline 20 & MS. VEST: Mr. Flair, all right. Roll & 20 & MS. JOHNSTON: Aye. \\
\hline 21 & call for that. Stuart Bayne? & 21 & MS. VEST: Alan Rousseau? \\
\hline 22 & MR. BAYNE: Aye. & 22 & MR. ROUSSEAU: Aye. \\
\hline 23 & MS. VEST: David Brown? & 23 & MS. VEST: Doug Shanks? \\
\hline 24 & MR. BROWN: Aye. & 24 & MR. SHANKS: Aye. \\
\hline 25 & MS. VEST: Larry Flair? & 25 & MS. VEST: Walt Valentine? \\
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\hline 1 & MR. FLAIR: Aye. & 1 & CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Aye. \\
\hline 2 & MS. VEST: Robin Johnston? & 2 & MS. VEST: Ayes have it. \\
\hline 3 & MS. JOHNSTON: Aye. & 3 & CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Next on our agenda \\
\hline 4 & MS. VEST: Did you vote? I'm sorry. I & 4 & is the legal report by staff attorney. \\
\hline 5 & ust knew this was -- okay. Alan Rousseau? & 5 & MR. HUFFMAN: Good morning. There are \\
\hline 6 & MR. ROUSSEAU: Aye. & 6 & two complaints that are related to each other to \\
\hline 7 & MS. VEST: Doug Shanks? & 7 & investigator and the agency. It's 2018082621 and \\
\hline 8 & MR. SHANKS: Aye. & 8 & 2018082661. \\
\hline 9 & MS. VEST: Walt Valentine? & 9 & Complainant alleges Respondent threatened \\
\hline 10 & CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Aye. & 10 & to arrest Complainant while trying to serve a civil \\
\hline 11 & MS. VEST: Ayes have it. & 11 & suit warrant. Respondent states the only \\
\hline 12 & Congratulations, we do have an vice-chair for the & 12 & conversation it had with Complainant was regarding \\
\hline 13 & Private Investigation and Polygraph Commission as & 13 & serving a civil warrant for general sessions. \\
\hline 14 & David Brown. So we do have the chair as Walt & 14 & Respondent states that conversation was pleasant and \\
\hline 15 & Valentine and the vice-chair is David Brown. Very & 15 & there were no threats made. Respondent is a \\
\hline 16 & good. Thank you. I an apologize if I messed that up & 16 & part-time private process server and this complaint \\
\hline 17 & a little bit. & 17 & has nothing to do with her PI license. \\
\hline 18 & MR. ROUSSEAU: We didn't want to mess the & 18 & Recommendation is to close. \\
\hline 19 & signs up after spending money. We were kind of being & 19 & MR. BROWN: I make a motion we accept the \\
\hline 20 & frugal. & 20 & counsel's recommendation. \\
\hline 21 & MS. VEST: That was kind of you, thank & 21 & MR. ROUSSEAU: I second. Alan Rousseau. \\
\hline 22 & you. & 22 & CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Moved and seconded. \\
\hline 23 & MR. BAYNE: We wondered why Mr. Brown & 23 & Any discussion? Would you call the roll? \\
\hline 24 & suddenly got up and walked out of the room. & 24 & MS. VEST: Stuart Bayne? \\
\hline 25 & MS. VEST: That threw me completely off. & 25 & MR. BAYNE: Aye. \\
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    CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Aye.
    MS. VEST: Ayes have it.
    CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Next is appearances.
    Do we have anyone wanting to appear before the
Commission?
MS. VEST: Just a second, Mr. Chairman.
Let me get my paperwork here today. Yes, sir, we do.
If you will go on your i-- should be on the iPads
We do have an appearance this morning, young lady's
in the office -- I mean in the audience and she has
already signed in. I am going to spell her name for
the court reporter. It's Mary A-L-I-M-E-N-T-I. If
that's correct. Yes, ma'am, would you come up,
please?

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Give them just a minute -- she's already
signed in. She's making application for a private investigator company. You can look at the entire ed -- application, but what it -- what I was looking at was the education. It was her education is somewhat different from what I had seen. So I did want to ask her to come in. I could have presented the application to you, but if you had said you wanted to see the lady or have more questions, she would have had to wait another two months. So I do appreciate her taking the time on such short notice to come in this morning.

THE COMMISSION: (Commission viewing iPads.)

MS. VEST: Would you like to have a copy of your application in case they ask you any questions about it?

MS. ALIMENTI: Sure.
MS. VEST: If I'm not mistaken, you haven't taken the exam yet, have you?

MS. ALIMENTI: No, I have not.
MS. VEST: Okay. She wanted to have
everything reviewed by the commission before she did the exam.

MR. BAYNE: Curiosity question, where is

Huron, Tennessee.
MS. ALIMENTI: It's in between Lexington and Jackson. It's mainly in Lexington -- they don't know to be honest with you because I'm out by Jack's Creek and Lexington and towards the bluff. They have got us kind of squashed. Huron where I live is here, but actually Huron is over here (indicating). I'm in no man's land.

MR. BAYNE: Two academic credentials that I can see. University of South Florida System, Page 32, shows a picture of the Certificate of Achievement awarded by University of South Florida, Department of Secondary Ed, to you, introduction to computers and education. Was that a single semester course or what?

MS. ALIMENTI: That was in with my -- in with all my other courses. I just put that in there so that you could see that I have computer skills.

MR. BAYNE: I see. So the -- where do I find the academic record of the University of South Florida?

MS. ALIMENTI: The transcripts are in there.

MR. BAYNE: Okay. So that's all University of South Florida?

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MS. ALIMENTI: Yes.
MR. BAYNE: Page 30 --
MS. VEST: Page 34?
MR. BAYNE: All right.
MS. VEST: They won't be the same for you.

MS. ALIMENTI: I'm finding that out.
Would you like me to tell you what --
MR. BAYNE: Why don't you do the 5000-foot level on academic background.

MS. ALIMENTI: Okay. At USF I took a
degree in ISS, which is interdisciplinary social
sciences. It goes three different ways. Social
sciences, criminal justice, is what I choose, and sociology is what I choose. Then later on I went out of my degree and was going for special ed, but I changed it.

MR. BAYNE: And moved toward a master of science?

MS. ALIMENTI: Yes.
MR. BAYNE: In?
MS. ALIMENTI: Actually it started out mental health, and then I decided to go to human services, general human services.

MR. BAYNE: So I read, yes.

MS. ALIMENTI: And I have a master certificate in addiction and counseling, plus I went up towards my PhD.

MR. BAYNE: Yeah, just read that. You are engaged in your PhD work.

MS. ALIMENTI: No, I'm not. I had to quit because my husband had a major heart attack and we didn't know if he was going make it, and then I ran out of student loans.

MR. BAYNE: Makes sense.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Is Capella
University an online school.
MS. ALIMENTI: Yes, it is. It's very accredited, very good school.

MR. BAYNE: Top shelf grades. How close are you with the PhD and do you think to continue it?

MS. ALIMENTI: The only thing with the PhD is I have to do the dissertation. Everything else is done. And that could cost up to \(\$ 20,000\), and right now -- l'd have to start all over again. They give you a seven-year period and...

MR. BAYNE: On Page 30 -- and are you -you and Mary Barrett are one and the same, correct.

MS. ALIMENTI: Barrett is my maiden name.
MR. BAYNE: Okay.

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MS. ALIMENTI: It's easier than Alimenti.
MR. BAYNE: Alimenti is an interesting
name. Page 30 indicates on August 2011 a spiritual
company. Could you give us a sense of that?
MS. ALIMENTI: Well, what I do is I go by my intuitive, basically, called psychic medium, a lot of people call that, or messenger or spiritual advisor. What I do in there, I also am an ordained minister. I'm also a master -- certified master hypnotist, certified life coach. And what I do is I help people with what they need help with when I'm qualified for it. And I have masters in all of that.

MR. BAYNE: And who offered those certifications?

MS. ALIMENTI: Steve Jones is the master hypnotist and -- they are basically online courses.

MR. BAYNE: I have no further questions.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Does anyone else have a question for Ms. Alimenti.

MR. SHANKS: Commissioner Shanks. What will be your main focus on your investigations with your company, if you get licensed?

MS. ALIMENTI: What I would like to do is look for missing children, missing adults, people of Alzheimer's that disappear. I have also helped a
police officer and bounty hunter locate a child in Oklahoma, and that's what I would continue to do is look for children who need to be brought home and adults, also.

MR. SHANKS: Okay. Thank you.
MR. FLAIR: Mr. Chairman, I have got a question, please. Do you have any, if you will, I guess the best way to say is, on-the-street training or actual experience in any type of investigations, other than the location of a missing person?

MS. ALIMENTI: Not really, no, I do not.
MR. FLAIR: Okay.
MS. ALIMENTI: I did do surveillance with that case, I did work on it for a few days. And we went out on surveillance and --

MR. FLAIR: I don't want the names of the people involved by any means, but what time era was that, please? How long ago was that?

MS. ALIMENTI: Year or two ago. I'm not exactly sure of the date. It wasn't too long ago.

MS. VEST: Within the last two years.
Yeah, '16.
MS. ALIMENTI: And I have recommendations from the bounty hunter and also from the police officer, chief of police, who was in charge of the

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investigation.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Any further comments or questions?

MS. VEST: So what we are looking at, she does not have the 2,000 hours of experience, that's why she's here today for you to look at her education, substitute it for the 2,000 hours.

MR. BROWN: Mr. Chairman, according to the documents, her degree and hours, GPA, time, would satisfy our requirements for education versus the 2,000 hours. So if I'm in order, I'd like to make a motion that we accept.

MR. BAYNE: Bayne seconds.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Okay. It's been moved and seconded to approve her education report to qualify for the 2,000 hours. Any discussion?

MS. VEST: Mr. Chairman, before I do the roll call, we are still in discussion, once -- when I do the roll call and it gets approved, I would like to make sure that the entire application will be approved. Are there any other questions on the application? I am going take a vote and then we would approve the application and then she'd be eligible to take the exam. We'd move right on, I won't have to bring her back to the floor.

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    MR. BAYNE: I just have a question.
    MS. VEST: Yes, sir.
    MR. BAYNE: If their terms have expired
    and they can be renewed --
MS. VEST: They have to be asked to be
reappointed. You have to tell me yes --
Mr. Rousseau, of course, has been with us since 2014,
yes, sir. Until he chooses not to or someone else
would like -- he's our public member. So if you have
someone else that you would like for me to look at or
give me a name, we'd be glad to vet that individual.
MR. BROWN: }2014\mathrm{ was a good year.
MS. VEST: Yes, sir, it was an excellent
year and we certainly appreciate that.
MR. BAYNE:So it's up to Mr. Rousseau to
ask to be reappointed?
MS. VEST: Yes. And he's asked over the
years. He likes to be -- to come to our commission
meetings, I'm sure.
MR. BAYNE: Great. So why is it still expired 2014?
MS. VEST: He hasn't been reappointed.
MR. BAYNE: He has not been reappointed.
MS. VEST: That's right. I have to send the names up when you get close to your expiration

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date, and I have sent that name --
MR. BAYNE: With the reappointment request.

MS. VEST: Yes, sir, with the reappointment -- yes, sir, I don't have an answer as to why he has not been reappointed. But you serve until you are either reappointed or someone else is appointed in your place, and Mr. Rousseau has been kind enough to do that.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Could we send that up again to the new governor?

MS. VEST: Yes, sir, to the new governor, so you need -- the new governor has just been elected, so they may not move quickly on appointments. I do not know. He might have his own people that they want to appoint or they want to look at and be able to look at. Yes, I had to submit all of them.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: And the second question on the monthly report, the two complaints that were opened, we closed today; is that correct?

MS. VEST: I don't believe we closed but one today. Or was it company and the individual?

MR. HUFFMAN: (Nodding head
affirmatively.)

MS. VEST: Then we have zero, that I know of, unless Stuart's got something I'm not familiar with.

MR. HUFFMAN: I believe we have one open. It's been set for investigation.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Okay.
MS. VEST: We don't have anything going to a formal hearing?

MR. HUFFMAN: No, we don't.
MS. VEST: Okay.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Does that conclude our administrative portion?

MS. VEST: No, sir, it does not. This concludes --

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Okay, keep ongoing.
MS. VEST: Okie-dokie. Let's get to
another topic here of interest, your budget review.
Have you found that on your iPads?
MR. FLAIR: Oh, yes.
MS. VEST: All right. Look there, we
come out of the red for the month of October and
November. Overall you are still in the red for $\$ 1,732$, but we are moving in the right direction here, it appears.

MR. BROWN: Have they adjusted their

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figures for pro rata they talked about before in November? I don't think so, I think it's the same numbers.

MR. BAYNE: The Edison expenditures, October/November, are substantially less.

MR. BROWN: I thought they were going to go back and do the --

MR. BAYNE: Yes, the previous months for the FY.

MS. VEST: I'll have to look into that matter. I do not know the answer to that, Commissioner Brown. I know we have reviewed the budget. There have been adjustments made to the budget.

MR. BROWN: Right.
MS. VEST: There's only so many adjustments I can make. What you are seeing there is a reduction in staff, is actually what you are seeing under Edison. I have taken -- as you know, we are just one department, everybody does everything, so to speak. So what I have had to do was sit down and reevaluate. And Tiffany's in the back of the room, Tiffany Hopkins, she's still your employee that does an excellent job, but I did make some changes in personnel, the way we do things in the office. That
apparently has helped your Edison budget.
Only other thing, I am reviewing PSI's contract now. Last year we had to redo the contracts for PSI. You know you have two exams, one is a private investigators and one is a private investigation company. There's a fee for that, and I do not believe it's in this budget yet. We didn't do them both -- I just got the one for November for the Alarm Board and it was actually sent out before Private Investigators, so it might not show up until December or January. I don't know yet, but I'm reviewing that.

But the good thing is for October and November we did come out of the red, and now it's only 1732, so we should be seeing -- coming -- we should see you in the black pretty soon, unless anything else major hits.

Did you have any other questions or any questions on that?

All right. So we did the budget review. Legislative update. I'm going to cross these fingers and say, "We don't have any."

MS. THOMAS: Not yet, because it just started -- session just started.

MS. VEST: I know. Session just started,
but right now you don't have any. So that's pretty good. If you do hear of any bills or anything in any of your profession at any of your meetings or whatever, if you would let me know in advance, I really appreciate that so I can start looking for anything that might be coming from the Hill.

We want to go next to our application review. I don't have one because I was able to approve the individual myself. I thought I was going to have to bring to you.

Correspondence. We don't have any actual correspondence, we have moved it down to new business. The education report this morning, it was reviewed and all courses were approved by the Board, but I do need a vote for the entire Commission to accept it.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Do we have a motion to approve the education report?

MS. JOHNSTON: I'll make the motion to approve the education report. I make the motion to approve the education report.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Do I hear a second?
MR. BROWN: Second, Commissioner Brown.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Moved and seconded.
Any discussion? Hearing none, would you call the
roll?

MS. VEST: Stuart Bayne?
MR. BAYNE: Aye.
MS. VEST: David Brown?
MR. BROWN: Aye.
MS. VEST: Larry Flair?
MR. FLAIR: Aye.
MS. VEST: Robin Johnston?
MS. JOHNSTON: Aye.
MS. VEST: Alan Rousseau?
MR. ROUSSEAU: Aye.
MS. VEST: Doug Shanks?
MR. SHANKS: Aye.
MS. VEST: Walt Valentine?
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Aye.
MS. VEST: Ayes have it.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Do we have any unfinished business?

MS. VEST: Not that I'm aware of, no, sir.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Hearing none, we'll move onto new business.

MS. VEST: Yes, sir.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: We have new business.

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it iPads. This is just for your information, when I get this information, I do try to share it with all the programs. If you'll look, I have got an -- I believe a brief little report here. It's from the Blade Runner Eye Scanning Lie Detector, may be coming to a D-Y-S-T-O-P-I-A-N, dystopian -- dystopian. It's a futuristic eye scanning lie detector, and we don't have our polygraph individual here today. It's just some information for you. I found it rather interesting. If you read it, it says it was funded by billionaire Mark Cuban, released in 2014 as an eye detect examines things like pupil dilation, blink rate and other eye motions to determine whether a person's lying.

It may be a new wave, instead of the way they do their polygraphs, may be something new coming down the pike. I'm sure the TBI and FBI has already taken a look at all this. But I wanted to bring it to your attention that there's something out there that could affect the Polygraph Commission -- part of the Commission, I should say. Anybody got any questions about that piece?

MR. BAYNE: Yes.

MS. VEST: I did have more, but, like I said, Mr. Richards is it not here and -- for the polygraph --

MR. BAYNE: I look forward to input from Mr. Richards on this.

MS. VEST: You have?
MR. BAYNE: I would look forward to input.

MS. VEST: Okay. Good, good.
MR. BAYNE: I'd lake to hear more about this, whether it's being used in the State of Tennessee, whether it's being used at a state level, a federal level. I know of no such use, but --

MS. VEST: Is anybody else on the Commission a polygrapher examiner?

MR. FLAIR: I deal with them quite often, Madam Chairman -- I'm sorry, Director. Just for the Board from the little information I know about it in law enforcement, it's not been recognized yet. It's the same as the voice technique, it's a tool, but as we all know, the polygraph itself, and General Counsel may correct me, but again it's not -- you know, it's not admissible in court -- in criminal court, that I know of. And neither this nor the voice test either.

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But I have had certain officers that I have dealt with think it's the greatest thing in the world, and I have had numerous tell me that they didn't like it at all. In my tenure in law enforcement, I have never been involved with this. I was involved with the voice part type in the normal polygraph, not as an examiner, but had them done in investigations. I don't know enough about this to really, you know, comment about this, but I think Jerry -- I'm sorry, Mr. Richards -- Chairman Richards would probably help us on a great deal for that, if we can maybe reach out to him. I don't know if he's going to be available.

MS. VEST: That's the voice stress
analysis, I believe is what you are speaking of. Our last polygraph examiner made the statement, and I do have it documented, that that is not the same thing as a lie detector. It's not used in the same sense. It's not acceptable, in other words. I was just trying to relay this is something new that's in the industry that I'm aware of, so it may come back later on and we need to discuss it and whatever. Yes, we'll be checking more into it. And I'll be calling Mr. Richards, see if he has any input on this, knows more about this or whatever. I have not heard of it
used, but then -- basically what I -- individual I talked to would be with the TBI and I haven't heard of any activity using this.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: I think all of us would be interested in what Commissioner Richards would have to say about this, if you could e-mail us.

MS. VEST: Oh, yes, I'll make a note of that.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: His comments.
MR. BAYNE: Thank you for bringing that to our attention.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Any further new business?

MS. VEST: No, sir. I believe everybody back there -- oh, yes, I'm sorry, we do have another that Ms. Williams is going to talk about.

MS. WILLIAMS: On your travel authorizations, I do have your proxies for the Edison where I can actually enter in all your information and there's going to be some new changes. So what's oh going to happen is when I enter your travel expenses, I am going to have to e-mail you with the totals and break it out for you, and then I am going to need an e-mail back stating that you have approved it. Otherwise I can't get any more travel approved.

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If you all have another e-mail address or anything that you want me to send it to, just let me know, otherwise I'll send it to the ones I have on file. That's it.

MR. FLAIR: It's a matter you are going to send us an e-mail, we approve it, shoot it back to you, and the day is done.

MS. WILLIAMS: And that's it, yes.
MS. VEST: I don't believe I have any
more new business. I think if you looked in the back on your iPads, you do see your new dates, which you already got that in advance. We will be meeting in this room every meeting and we will be meeting on Thursdays now, like we are today. We did change that. That's the only changes that we have made. Everybody seems to be agreeable to that. You know, it's his fault.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Somebody's got to take the blame.

MS. VEST: Going take it.
MR. HUFFMAN: It's always my fault.
MS. VEST: We try to make it anyway. I don't have anything on this, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: The next item is the Continuing Education participation forum. Do we have


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the program. I looked at it, it looks pretty good.
    MS. VEST: All right.
    MR. BAYNE:The only problem I have with
the program is I don't see a breakdown of subjects by
hours taught. And a number of those -- though they
say February }18\mathrm{ through 21, they list a set of 8,10
or }11\mathrm{ topics. What else? And I believe the
Commission has requested when you file a request for
approval, you file it -- you file something that
includes how that program is broken down by topic and
hours. So --
MS. VEST: Correct.
MR. BAYNE: I'm okay with 12 hours, but I'm not okay with 32 in the absence of an explanation.
MS. VEST: Explain to me why we need to know how it's broken down, the hours.
MR. BAYNE: I read that in our course listing. Approved listing states, if you are going provide something for approval you provide it by --
MS. VEST: By hour?
MR. BAYNE: -- hour, topic, background of the speakers, etcetera. While the speaker looks pretty strong on this, I don't see a breakdown of hours. It would be nice to see that. But in the
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absence of that, 12 is good with me.
MS. VEST: It's something we are going to
have to make sure we get complete breakdown because it's not the first time we discussed that.

MR. BAYNE: Right.
MS. VEST: But we are going to approve it for the 12 hours that's needed, or do we need -- if we hold this, they won't get approval.

MR. BAYNE: I'm okay with that.
CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: 12 hours is fine with me.

MR. FLAIR: You need a motion?
MS. VEST: We can do a motion at the end,
if you like, on all of them, if you like, unless we have one that we need to discuss.

Let's go to the next one, it's Black
Swan, S-W-A-N, Digital Forensics. They want
12 hours at -- theirs is a little different. They want continuing education, individual, and initial. So they are using this for somebody else's education as well, besides our programs. Obviously when you are going to be a PI, you got to go take the test at PSI, so it wouldn't be for initial. Only thing we're going to be doing is for continuing education. It's 12 hours.

MR. BAYNE: And this particular
submission is quite detailed. And by hours and topics.

MS. VEST: Somebody paid attention.
MR. BAYNE: Yes.
MS. VEST: Now we just need to, I guess.
Okay. Well, how does everybody feel about that 12 hours?

THE COMMISSION: No problem.
MS. VEST: All right. Well, let's go to the next one, which is Fire Findings, F-I-N-D-I-N-G-S, LLC, Investigation of Glass -- no, Investigation of Gas and Electric Appliances, fire seminar was held November the 6th through the 9th of '18. They did not get this in in advance to be approved. They want those people that went to that to have their -- get their continuing education. They are asking for 30 hours, so we know we are going to do it for 12 , but this seminar has already been held.

CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: Well, I'll ask our fire expert, did those topics seem reasonable to you?

MR. BAYNE: Yes, sir, they do. They are quite thorough in the subject area, yes. The issue I have is after the fact.
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