

ILLINOIS STATE POLICE MERIT BOARD

MINUTES

3rd QUARTER BOARD MEETING – April 13, 2021

Due to the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation issued by Governor Pritzker on April 2, 2021, and in accordance with Executive Orders 2020-07, 2020-33, 2020-44, 2021-06, and section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act (as amended by Public Act 101-0640), Chairman Reeve Waud has determined that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent due to the public health disaster caused by Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). The meeting will be held by video/audio conference in accordance with the provisions of Executive Orders 2020-07, 2020-33, 2020-44, 2021-06, and section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act (as amended by Public Act 101-0640).

Guests were invited to attend the meeting in person at the office of the Illinois State Police Merit Board, 531 Sangamon Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois, or via telephone conference at: +1 312 626 6799, Meeting ID: 850 0278 8495

Illinois State Police Merit Board Secretary James Riley; Board Member Andrew Berlin; Board Member Nancy Maldonado, and Board Member E.L. Warren attended the meeting via video phone conference. Executive Director Jack S. Garcia, Chief Legal Counsel Daniel Dykstra, and Program Director Emily Fox attended the meeting at the State Police Merit Board Office.

Also in attendance by telephone conference were: First Deputy Director Matthew Davis, ISP; Colonel Jamal Simington, ISP Division of Academy and Training; Colonel Kelly Walter, ISP State-wide 9-1-1; Lieutenant Colonel Marcus Gibson, ISP Division of Academy and Training; Colonel Akil Smith, ISP Division of Internal Investigation; Lieutenant Colonel Chris Campbell, ISP Division of Internal Investigation; Yvette Loizon, ISP Chief Legal Counsel; Lieutenant Sean Brannon, FOP Command Council; Attorney Bruce Bialorucki, Trooper's Lodge; and Lieutenant Juan Valenzuela, HISLEA.

The meeting was held at the Illinois State Police Merit Board Office, 531 Sangamon Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois.

Board Member Andrew Berlin acted in Chairman Waud's absence and opened the meeting at 9:00 AM.

Mr. Berlin asked the Board Members to introduce themselves.

The Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to approve the following meeting minutes: January 1, 2021, 1st Quarter Board Meeting; February 3, 2021, Special Board Meeting and March 12, 2021, Special Board Meeting.

Emily Fox updated the Board on the Applicant Process. Cadet Class 132 began on Sunday, October 2, 2020. A total of 45 cadets reported to check-in day. Seven cadets have withdrawn and were replaced by alternates, 41 cadets remain in the class. Cadet Class 132 is set to graduate on Friday, April 23.

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Cadet Class 133 was tentatively scheduled to begin during in June of 2021. A total of 128 applicants were certified to CC133. At this time, we have not been notified by the ISP regarding when the class will begin.

Emily Fox updated the Board on the 2021 Promotional Process The 2021 Promotional Process Reading Lists for the rank of Lieutenant and Captain have been posted. Testing will be held the week of September 20-24 at the State Police Merit Board Office.

The Board voted unanimously to go into closed session by roll call vote.

Board Secretary James Riley, Board Member Andrew Berlin, Board Member Nancy Maldonado, Board Member E.L. Warren, Executive Director Jack Garcia, Chief Legal Counsel Daniel Dykstra, and Program Director Emily Fox attended the closed session portion of the meeting.

The Board discussed personnel matters.

Emily Fox updated the Board on the Discipline Report.

Dan Dykstra updated the Board on Administrative Reviews.

The Board discussed keeping the January 19, 2021, closed meeting minutes confidential.

The Board discussed keeping the February 3, 2021, closed meeting minutes confidential.

The Board discussed keeping the March 12, 2021, closed meeting minutes confidential.

The Board voted unanimously to go out of closed session and return to open session by roll call vote.

The Board voted unanimously to keep the January 19, 2021, closed meeting minutes confidential by roll call vote.

The Board voted unanimously to keep the February 3, 2021, closed meeting minutes confidential by roll call vote.

The Board voted unanimously to keep the March 12, 2021, closed meeting minutes confidential by roll call vote.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting by roll call vote.



James V. Riley, Secretary