## ILLINOIS STATE POLICE MERIT BOARD

## **MINUTES**

## **BOARD MEETING - January 3, 2014**

Present were Art Smith, Board Chairman, George Pradel, Board Secretary; Earl Hernandez, Board Member; Jim Riley, Board Member; Ronald Cooley, Executive Director; Julie Jones Webster, Human Resource Specialist. The meeting was held at the James R. Thompson Center, room 2-027, 100 W. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Also in attendance was Lieutenant Isiah Vega, HISLEA, Sergeant Mac Fortson, ABLE and Mr. John Crivolone, private citizen.

Board Chairman Art Smith opened the meeting at 11:00 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:

October 18, 2013 – 4th Quarter Merit Board Meeting

Mr. John Crivolone addressed the Board regarding an issue with his son who was an Illinois State Police applicant.

Director Ron Cooley reported the applicant process; Cadet Class 123 currently has 45 cadets remaining and they are scheduled to graduate on May 2, 2143. He also reported the Academy was holding the orientation today for Cadet Class 124 and those cadets are scheduled to report on February 2, 2013. He also mentioned we have initiated backgrounds for Cadet Class 125 which will begin on June 2, 2014.

Mr. Cooley reported the Promotional Certification List was delivered to the Illinois State Police on December 16, 2013. He also reported the 2014 Promotional Process will have its kickoff meeting in February for the tanks to Sergeant and Master Sergeant.

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 Petition for Review on Trooper Bradley Bastian.

The Board discussed the Petition for Review on Trooper Avrione Martin.

Julie updated the Board on the Disciplinary report.

Ron updated the Board on Capitol Business and lawsuits.

The Board discussed keeping the October 18, 2014 closed meeting minutes confidential.

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

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The Board unanimously voted to accept the Motion to Voluntarily Dismiss the Petition for Review on Trooper Bradley Bastian.

The Board unanimously voted to deny the Petition for Review on Trooper Avrione Martin.

The Board voted to keep the October 18, 2013 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