ILLINOIS STATE POLICE MERIT BOARD

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING - January 8, 2016

Present were George Pradel, Board Chairman; Earl Hernandez, Board Secretary; John Spring Board Member; Reeve Waud, Board Member; Jim Riley, Board Member; Ronald Cooley, Executive Director; Julie Webster, Human Resource Specialist and Emily Fox, Program Administrator.

Also in attendance were Natalia Delgado, ISP Legal; LTC Isiah Vega, ISP DOA; Col. Tad Williams, ISP DOO; LT. Marcus Gipson, ISP DII; Col. Deb Simental, ISP DII; Chief of Staff Steve Lyddon, ISP Director's Office; First Deputy Director Chad Peterson, ISP Director's Office; M/SGT Jason Bradley, ISP PIO; Jim McGrady, Private citizen.

The meeting was held at the James R. Thompson Center, 100 W Randolph, and Chicago, Illinois.

Board Chairman George Pradel opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Director Ron Cooley reported we have 645 acceptable applicants in our current eligibility pool, but it did not look like there would be a cadet class in fiscal year 2016. Director Cooley also reported that the 2015 Promotional Process has completed and that no appeals were granted during the Post Test Review Process.

The following minutes were approved:
October 15, 2015 – 4th Quarterly Merit Board Meeting

FDD Chad Peterson:

"I just want to thank the Merit Board for their extremely hard work on the promotional process and getting the promotional list to the Director's Office so quickly."

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

The Board discussed the Trooper Brad G. Wilken 14-7 matter.

The Board discussed the Trooper Christopher Currier 14-8 matter.

The Board discussed the Trooper Christopher Currier 15-5 matter.

The Board discussed the Trooper Craig Mihaljevich 15-6 matter.

The Board discussed personnel matters.

Julie updated the Board on the Disciplinary Report.

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

The Board voted to suspend Trooper Brad G. Wilken 14-7 for 30 days.

The Board voted to accept the Joint Motion to Dismiss in the Trooper Christopher Currier 14-8 matter.

The Board voted to accept the Joint Motion to Dismiss in the Trooper Christopher Currier 15-5 matter.

The Board voted to not accept the Joint Motion for Decision in the Trooper Craig Mihaljevich 15-6 matter and send it for a full hearing.

The Board voted to approve the Telecommuting Policy MB11.

The Board voted to keep the October 15, 2015 closed meeting minutes confidential.

Board Chairman George Pradel asked if there were any questions from the audience.

There were no questions.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Earl Hernandez, Secretary