

# ILLINOIS STATE POLICE MERIT BOARD

## MINUTES

### BOARD MEETING – October 15, 2010

Present were John Rednour, Board Chairman; Ken Schloemer, Board Secretary; Arthur J. Smith, Board Member; Ronald Cooley, Executive Director and Julie Jones Webster, Human Resource Specialist. Board Member James Riley joined via telephone conference and Board Member Richard Joutras was unavailable to join the meeting. The meeting was held at the office of the Illinois State Police Merit Board, 531 Sangamon Avenue, E, Springfield.

Also in attendance was Lt. Colonel Brendan Heffner, ISP DII; Deputy Director Patrick Keen, ISP DOA; Captain James Wolf; District 9 Commander, COA; Ms. Suzanne Bond, EEO; Trooper R. Kent James, FOP; Master Sergeant Patrick J. Odriscoll, Teamsters Local 700; and Mr. Nick Kondelis, Legal office.

Chairman Rednour opened the meeting at 11:00 AM.

He reminded everyone that the meeting was being recorded for ease in writing the minutes.

The following minutes were approved:

July 16, 2010 – 3rd Quarter Merit Board Meeting  
August 30, 2010- Special Meeting

Mr. Ron Cooley updated the Board on the applicant process reporting that Cadet Class 118 is in its 3<sup>rd</sup> week at the Academy with 43 cadets remaining. He also mentioned there are no testing dates scheduled at this time. We will not schedule a Recruitment Test until we know there are funds available for Cadet Class 119.

Mr. Cooley also stated 829 troopers and 148 Sergeants participated in written promotional testing in September. He also mentioned the construction project for the lower level of the Merit Board office is finished and 148 Sergeants will participate in Master Sergeant Assessment Exercises next week.

The Board announced the 2011 quarterly Board meetings, which are January 21, 2011, April 15, 2011, July 15, 2011 and October 21, 2011.

The Board asked if there were any questions and then voted to go out of open session and go into closed session to review personnel issues, pending disciplinary matters, lawsuits, and discuss minutes and recording of the meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meeting Act it determine if those minutes are to be kept confidential.

The Board discussed the Joint Motion for a Decision on the Trooper Raymond Kurut matter.

The Board discussed the Trooper Lyle Hicks matter.

The Board discussed the Joint Motion for a Decision in the Trooper Jonathon Randle El matter.

The Board discussed the Petition for Review on Master Sergeant Richard Roscetti.

Julie Jones updated the Board on the current status of the Merit Board Docket, Administrative Reviews and EEOC/Human Rights Cases.

Director Ronald Cooley updated the Board on all current lawsuits and Legislative Matters.

The Board discussed to keep the July 16, 2010 and August 30, 2010 closed meeting minutes closed.

The Board voted unanimously to go out of closed session and return to Open Session.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the Joint Motion for a Decision on the Trooper Raymond Kurut matter and suspended Trooper Kurut for twenty-five (25) days.

The Board voted unanimously to suspend Trooper Lyle Hicks matter for a period of one hundred eight (180) days.

The Board voted unanimously to accept Joint Motion for a Decision in the Trooper Jonathon Randle El matter and suspended Trooper Randle El for a period of one hundred (100) days.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the Petition for Review on Master Sergeant Richard Roscetti.

The Board voted to maintain the confidentiality of the minutes for July 16, 2010 and August 30, 2010.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

After the adjournment, Mr. Nicholas Kondelis from ISP Legal Department advised the Board that he had not had an opportunity to file a response to the Petition for Review on Master Sergeant Richard Roscetti. Therefore the Board reopened the meeting to correct the vote.

The Board made a motion to re-open the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Merit Board Meeting.

The Board voted to resend their decision on the Petition for Review on Master Sergeant Richard Roscetti.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

  
Ken Schloemer, Secretary