Commission Meeting Number 338

State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety
Division of Criminal Justice

POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION

Minutes of Commission Meeting

February 1, 2021

Location: Virtual Meeting

Commission Members Present

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New Jersey League of Municipalities  Absent
New Jersey Jail Wardens Association  Oscar Aviles
New Jersey State Police  Christopher Vozzo
Division of Criminal Justice Staff Present

Deputy Attorney General Louis Lester, Counsel to PTC

Deputy Attorney General Stephen Wenger, Prosecution Supervision and Training Bureau

Deputy Attorney General Jeffrey Barile, Deputy Chief, Prosecution Supervision and Training Bureau

Deputy Attorney General Emily Anderson, Prosecution Supervision and Training Bureau

Academy Coordinator Pat Jones, Police Training Commission

Academy Coordinator Forest Kairos, Police Training Commission

Analyst, Tykeria T. Lockhart, Police Training Commission

Field Representative Dion Feltri, Police Training Commission

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Administrator John F. Cunningham called the 338th meeting of the Commission to order at 11:03 am.

Administrator Cunningham led the Commissioners in the flag salute. Commissioner Cunningham asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the Law Enforcement and military personnel who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Analyst Tykeria T. Lockhart announced that “notice of the Commission meeting has been publicized in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law by notification to the Secretary of State and five newspapers. The notifications included a copy of the meeting agenda.”

Administrator Cunningham announced it was the annual Reorganization Meeting and asked Commissioner Carl Carabelli to report on the Appeals and Legislative Committee election. Commissioner Carl Carabelli stated that he was nominated and re-elected as Chairperson of the Appeals and Legislative Committee. Administrator Cunningham asked Commissioner James Sharrock to report on the Standards Committee election. Commissioner Sharrock was nominated and re-elected as Chairperson of the Standards Committee. Administrator Cunningham, asked for nominations to elect a Vice-Chairperson. Commissioner Daniel Colucci nominated Commissioner James Sharrock and Commissioner Oscar Aviles seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, the Commissioners voted to approve the motion. Commissioner Sharrock abstained.

Administrator Cunningham asked the Commissioners to consider the minutes of the December 2, 2020 Commission meeting. Commissioner James Sharrock made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Commissioner Lyon seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted to approve the motion.

Administrator Cunningham asked Chairperson Carabelli to report on the business of the Appeals and Legislation Committee.

1. Commissioner Carabelli reported the following appeals were received since the December 2, 2020 meeting:

   Jeruan McMillan v. Passaic County Police Academy

Recruit appeals from dismissal from the Passaic County Police Academy BCPO for failure to complete 80% of the physical conditioning sessions.
Ryan Elizabeth Finn v. Atlantic County Police Academy

Recruit appeals from dismissal from the Atlantic County Police Academy BCPO for failure to complete 80% of the physical conditioning sessions.

Mary Porter v. Mercer County Police Academy

Recruit appeals from dismissal based on her failure to attend at least 90% of the total instructional time scheduled.

Commissioner Carabelli moved and seconded a motion to uphold the dismissals. The Commissioners voted to approve the motion.

2. Consideration of Extensions of Training Time for County Corrections Officers, Juvenile Detention Officers, and Youth Workers

4A Consideration of a Request for an Extension of Training Time for Twelve Juvenile Detention Officers (Bergen County Juvenile Detention Center).

4B Consideration of a Request for an Extension of Training Time for Six Juvenile Detention Officers (Essex County Juvenile Detention Center).

4C Consideration of a Request for Youth Worker, Oscar Soriano (JJC-AYC Harborfields)

4D Consideration of a Request for an Extension of Training Time for Sixteen County Corrections Officers (Middlesex County Department of Corrections).

4E Consideration of a Request for an Extension of Training Time for Two County Corrections Officers, Victoria M. Nelson (Salem County Correctional Facility).

Commissioner Carabelli, on behalf of the Appeals and Legislation Committee, moved and seconded a motion to combine Agenda Items 4A and 4E as a consent agenda and to approve the extensions of training time requests with the exception of the request for JDO, Joshua Perez, Essex County Juvenile Detention Center, which was denied. Commissioner Erven opposed the motion. The motion carried and was approved.

3. Commissioner Carabelli indicated that Agenda Item 6A was a Re-Certification for Camden County College Police Academy
The Camden County College Police Academy has applied for school recertification and for authorization to conduct the following courses:

- Basic Course for Police Officers
- Basic Course for County Corrections Officers
- Basic Course for Juvenile Detention Officers
- Basic Course for Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers
- Basic Course for Special Waiver Class for Police Officers
- Basic Course for Class I Special Law Enforcement Officers
- Basic Firearms Course
- Methods of Instruction
- Firearms Instructors Course
- Physical Conditioning Instructors Course
- Radar Instructors Course
- Vehicle Operations Instructor Course
- Alternate Route
- School Resource Officer
- Basic Course Humane Law Enforcement Officer

Recertification was also requested to operate satellite facilities:

- Camden County Police Academy RTC Parking Lot, EVOC Training
- Camden County College: Pompiano Gym, Athletic Fields, Perimeter Streets
- Camden County College Blackwood, Parking Lots 14 and I 5, EVOC
- Cooper River Park Running Route
- Ben Franklin Bridge Running Route Bader Field, Atlantic City 1. 2. J. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10 II Camden County Correctional Facility
- Salem County Correctional Facility
- Camden County Police Firearms Range
- Camden County Technical School, Active Shooter Training
- Gloucester Township Community Park, PT

PTC Academy Coordinator, Patricia Jones has examined the application for recertification and confirmed the current validity of all information contained therein. All required attachments were included with the application, and are available for your inspection. School Director Orlando Cuevas certified on the application that the Camden County College Police Academy will be administered and operated in accordance with the Police Training Commission policies, rules and standards. PTC Field Representative Dion Feltri met with Director Orlando Cuevas, inspected the physical facilities at the academy, as well as, at the satellite facilities, and found them to be compliant with the PTC requirements. Glenn Stanton, Firearms Coordinator, inspected the ranges and found them to be compliant with PTC standards. Based upon staff inspection and approval of the recertification documents, as well as inspection and approval of the school facilities, Administrator Cunningham recommended the Camden County College Police Academy
application for re-certification be approved for the three year period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023.

PTC field representative, Dion Feltri was available to answer any question about his inspections, report or findings.

Commissioner Carabelli, on behalf of the Appeals Committee, moved and seconded a motion to approve the re-certification for a period of three years from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023.

**Commissioner Carabelli concluded the Appeals and Legislation Committee Report**

**Administrator Cunningham asked Chairman James Sharrock to report on the business of the Standards Committee.**

1. Commissioner Sharrock indicated that Agenda Item 6B was a Report of a request from Director Eric Mason, John H. Stamler Police Academy, to utilize the Oak Ridge Park Turf Field, Clark, NJ as a satellite location.

Commissioner Sharrock, on behalf of the Standards Committee, moved and seconded a motion to approve the request. The Commissioners approved the motion.

**Commissioner Sharrock concluded the Standards Committee report.**

Administrator Cunningham reported that Agenda Item 8A was a Report of the Law Enforcement Officers Training and Equipment Fund (LEOTEF).

LEOTEF Chairperson, Daniel Colucci quarterly expense reports for the 4th quarter of 2020 are being reviewed and processed. Due to the current situation with COVID-19 and office closures, not all reports have been received if sent through the mail. Technical assistance in preparing quarterly expense reports has been provided. Supplemental academy requests for LEOTEF purchases also have been reviewed and approved. All application/award packages for SFY 2021 LEOTEF Funds (32nd distribution) were distributed in December 2020.

Administrator Cunningham reported that Agenda Item 8B was the Renewal of the LEOTEF Fund.

The regulations contained in the New Jersey Administrative Code regarding the Law Enforcement Officers Training and Equipment Fund ("LEOTEF") - codified at N.J.A.C. 13:1A-1 et. seq. - zue set to expire on July 14, 2021. Therefore, the Police Training Commission ("PTC"),
should decide at the February 1, 2021 meeting whether it would like to renew the regulations without changes, renew the regulations with any changes, or let the regulations expire. The penalties assessed under the LEOTEF fund are set by the Legislature in N.J.S.A. 2C:43-3.3. As the amount is set by statute rather than by regulation the PTC is unable to change the amount assessed under the LEOTEF regulations.

Commissioner made a motion to renew the rule as it is. Commissioner Colucci seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted to approve the motion,

**Administrator Cunningham announced the next meeting is Wednesday, April 7, 2021**

Administrator Cunningham asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 a.m. Commissioner Sharrock voted to approve the motion. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.