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C.O.P.T. MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 18, 2017

9:00 a.m.

Delaware State Police Academy
Route 13, Dover, Delaware State Police

- I. Meeting called to order by Chairman Coupe at 9:00 a.m.
- II. Those in attendance were:

MEMBERS

Secretary Robert M. Coupe, Chairman – Council on Police Training
Jeffrey Horvath – Delaware Police Chiefs' Council
Major Robert A. Hudson II – Proxy for Colonel Nathaniel McQueen, Delaware State Police
Captain James Gestwicki – Proxy for Chief Robert Tracy, Wilmington Police Department
Captain Laura O'Sullivan – Proxy for Colonel Vaughn Bond Jr., New Castle County Police Department
Chief Marvin Mailey Jr. – Dover Police Department
Sergeant Christopher Jones – Proxy for Chief Paul Tiernan, Newark Police Department
Dr. Susan Bunting – Secretary of Education
Mr. Jermaine Hatton – President, Delaware League of Local Governments
Mayor Robin R. Christiansen – Mayor of the City of Dover
Mayor William West – Mayor of the Town of Georgetown

ADMINISTRATOR

Captain Jennifer D. Griffin – Delaware State Police

LEGAL COUNSEL

DAG Rae M. Mims – Department of Justice

GUESTS

Colonel Richard Arroyo – Delaware River & Bay Authority
Major Sean E. Moriarty – Delaware State Police
Captain Diane Smith – NCCPD
Chris Foraker – Wilmington University Safety

- III. Review and approval of April 25, 2017, C.O.P.T. meeting minutes
Chairman Coupe entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2017, meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2017, meeting; approved unanimously.

IV. Certification of Officers

- A. 43rd NCCPD Academy Class, graduated June 29, 2017

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>COPT #</u> | <u>DEPARTMENT</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Belk, Corey E. | 5320 | New Castle County PD |
| Calhoun, Sara N. | 5321 | New Castle County PD |
| Cavanaugh, Ashleigh M. | 5322 | New Castle City PD |
| Clough, Shane H. | 5323 | New Castle County PD |
| Cronin, Steven E. | 5324 | New Castle County PD |
| DiPrima, Dylan J. | 5325 | New Castle County PD |
| Dreher, Arthur W. | 5326 | New Castle County PD |
| Dunn, Shawn M. | 5327 | New Castle County PD |
| Faulk, Donte J. | 5328 | Newark PD |
| Gaytan-Lemus, Cesar | 5329 | New Castle County PD |
| Granas, Matthew V. | 5330 | New Castle County PD |
| Guarino, Michael J. | 5331 | New Castle County PD |
| Hamory, Matthew Q. | 5332 | New Castle County PD |
| Hanna, Philopatier S. | 5333 | New Castle County PD |
| Hanna, Rimoun K. | 5334 | New Castle County PD |
| Jardine, Myasia E. | 5335 | Middletown PD |
| Knotts, Tyler L. | 5336 | New Castle County PD |
| Lange, Emily E. | 5337 | New Castle County PD |
| Lankenau, Brett S. | 5338 | Middletown PD |
| Long, Elijah T. | 5339 | New Castle County PD |
| Madariaga-Azocar, Javier A. | 5340 | New Castle County PD |
| Makuch, Zachary B. | 5341 | New Castle County PD |
| Manucci, Nicholas R. | 5342 | New Castle County PD |
| Marchesani, Thomas A. | 5343 | New Castle County PD |
| Merrill, Michael P. | 5344 | New Castle County PD |

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| Mulford, Corey A. | 5345 | New Castle County PD |
| Pala, Anthony L. | 5346 | New Castle County PD |
| Prettyman, Robert J. | 5347 | New Castle County PD |
| Roberts, Justin M. | 5348 | Newark PD |
| Starratt, Ashlee E. | 5349 | New Castle County PD |
| Willey, Dalton C. | 5350 | Harrington PD |
| Williams, Mark A. | 5351 | New Castle County PD |
| Wolfe, Tyler R. | 5352 | New Castle County PD |
| Wozniak, Ted A. | 5353 | New Castle County PD |

Chairman Coupe entertained a motion to approve the certification of officers in the 43rd NCCPD Academy Class named above. A motion was made and seconded to approve the certification of officers named above; approved unanimously.

V. Certified Instructors

A. Certified Instructors course hosted by Capitol PD on June 5 – 9, 2017, held at Smyrna PD

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Troop/Department</u> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Adkins, Brock A. | Troop 5 |
| Argo V, Alexander | Troop 3 Patrol |
| Macauley, Thomas J. Jr. | Troop 3 Patrol |
| Castro, Maria | Capitol PD |
| Austin, Tyler W. | DNRP ECU |
| Hamlett, Timothy E. | DNRP ECU |
| Boesenberg, Joshua | Dover PD |
| Griffin, Anthony E. Sr. | Dover PD |
| Knight, Terrence M. | Dover PD |
| Kerin, Jennifer M. | Fenwick Island PD |
| Parsons, Brian K. | Fenwick Island PD |
| Cooper, R. Eric | Smyran PD |
| Fox, Kevin A. | Smyrna PD |
| Evans, Neil J. | Wilmington PD |
| Flores, Ricardo | Wilmington PD |
| O'Neill, Joseph | Wilmington PD |
| Rosaio, Matthew M. | Wilmington PD |
| Sibbaluca, Nicholas J. | Wilmington PD |

Chairman Coupe entertained a motion to approve the certified instructors named above. A motion was made by Dr. Bunting to approve the certified instructors named above; no second; approved unanimously.

B. Certified Firearms Instructors

1. Donald R. Boulerice (Retired) ~ DRBA
2. Christopher Foraker (Retired) ~ DRBA
3. James P. Warwick (Retired) ~ DRBA

Chairman Coupe entertained a motion to approve the certified firearms instructors named above. A motion was made by Mr. Horvath and seconded by Chief Mailey to approve the certified instructors named above; approved unanimously.

VI. Old Business

- A. Mr. Horvath said the Sussex County Police Chiefs Council voted to support Sussex Tech to train seasonal police officers. Steve Rust will be invited to the next meeting to present. Chiefs from those departments who have seasonal officers should also be notified.
- B. The loophole where departments release an officer and do not notify the COPT and then another department will pick an officer up, not realizing there was a history that should have been brought to their attention was discussed. The attorneys are making a deal that the officer will resign in lieu of not being decertified. The town does not own the certification; the COPT does. The chiefs need to be educated on the bigger picture and the importance of checking the appropriate box on the form.
- C. Vision and hearing requirements ~ What is normal? Do we want a standard written into the regulations for new recruits/reactivations/reciprocity on what the hearing standard is? Should a hearing test be conducted by an audiologist rather than by a medical doctor? Do we still think 20/200 is an acceptable rating for vision? It was suggested to have Joel Halpern come in to give us some guidance. Also, Health and Social Services has an audiologist that we can invite to a future meeting.

VII. New Business

- A. An e-mail was forwarded to Major Moriarty, Chief Bryson and Secretary Coupe from the Safety National Service Intersection Analysis On-line Training Program can be utilized by agencies for Council on Police Training continuing education credit hours with your chief's approval from Scott Stower at Compliance Place.com. Chief Scott Collins endorsed it for 2.5 hours of continuing education credits towards COPT-mandated training. We do not get in the habit, or have not in the past, of sponsoring courses. However, we have offered to look at the curriculum and say what is the course in and what is the content? Chiefs can approve courses for their officers if they feel the courses are relevant, but they should not say they are COPT-approved.
- B. COPT model is an unfunded council. The code says that it should be funded to operate. Should the COPT be more independent with its own staff?

VIII. Adjournment

Chairman Coupe entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Major Hudson and seconded by Chief Mailey to adjourn; approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:50 a.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 16, 2017, at 1000 hours at the DSP Training Academy in Dover