

WASHINGTON STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION 19010 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South, burien, wa 98148

**COMMISSION MEETING** 

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 10 AM

# **COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jeff Myers (Chair), Chief, Hoquiam Police Department De'Sean Quinn (Vice-Chair), Councilman, Tukwila Jeffrey Anaya, Officer, Vancouver Police Department John Batiste, Chief, Washington State Patrol Jared Couch, Sergeant, Upper Skagit Police Department Ryan Dreveskracht, Attorney Presiding over Law Enforcement Practices and Accountability Nickeia Hunter, Citizen at Large Katrina Johnson, Citizen at Large Sonia Joseph, Citizen at Large Walter Kendricks, Citizen at Large Anita Khandelwhal, Public Defender Bart Logue, Civilian Oversight over Law Enforcement Trishandra Pickup, Citizen at Large Tim Reynon, Tribal Representative, Puyallup Tribe Kurtis Robinson, Citizen at Large Penelope Sapp, Chief, Kitsap County Jail Dan Satterberg, Prosecuting Attorney, King County Robert Snaza, Sheriff, Lewis County Mike Webb, Attorney General Designee

## WSCJTC STAFF PRESENT:

Monica Alexander, Executive Director Jerrell Wills, Deputy Director Kevin Zeller. Assistant Director Chad Arceneaux, Assistant Director of Certifications Lacey Ledford, Executive Assistant Marisa Peer, Manager, HR Bart Hayes, Manager, Advanced Training Division Dave Campbell, Commander, Basic Training Division Sean Hendrickson, Manager, Applied Skills Division Megan Saunders, Manager, Communications Jeff Wilcox, Manager, Information Technology Unit Mike Devine, Manager, Certifications Division Dusty Pierpoint, Investigator, Certifications Division Valerie Jenkins-Weaver, Program Manager, Certifications Division Deborah Jacobs, Policy Specialist Renee Berry, Confidential Secretary

Norma Moreno, Confidential Secretary Derek Zable, Records Manager Kayla Wold, Hearings Coordinator Ethan Swenson, Administrative Assistant, Information Technology Unit

#### **GUESTS PRESENT:**

Justin Kato, Assistant Attorney General, WA State Attorney General Teresa Taylor, Executive Director, WACOPS TVW

## **OPENING**

Jeff Myers, Commission Chair

Chair Myers called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

Lacey Ledford conducted a roll call of the Commissioners. A quorum was present.

Chair Myers announced that this meeting was being hosted on Zoom instead of in-person.

**Commissioner Couch** announced to the Commission that while he is serving as interim police chief for his department, he will be recusing himself from any voting that may occur.

### **Open Public Meetings Act and Public Records Act**

**Chair Myers** announced to the Commission that the Governor's orders authorizing electronic meetings to occur in lieu of in person meetings was coming to an end, which would require meetings in person, stating he was not sure if legislation would be changed to allow for electronic meetings.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**Chair Myers** called for review and approval of the meeting minutes from the March 30, 2022; April 27, 2022; May 4, 2022; May 11, 2022; May 18, 2022, and June 1, 2022, Commission Meetings.

**Commissioner Sapp** moved to approve the minutes. **Commissioner Snaza** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Monica Alexander, Executive Director

#### **BLEA Updates**

**Director Alexander** updated the Commission that there are currently eleven classes underway on the Burien campus: nine BLEA classes, one COA class, and one Equivalency class with Spokane BLEA having one class.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Certification WAC changes based on feedback

**Extremist Definition** 

**Deborah Jacobs** shared with the Commission that several groups expressed concerns regarding the definition of *extremism*. **Chair Myers** noted that the definition stands as currently approved.

### WAC 139-05-200 Requirement of basic law enforcement training for officers

**Derek Zable** shared with the Commission concerns made from Washington State Patrol about timing for trooper cadets attending trooper basic, based on RCW 43.101.200, stating there the word *then* was added to alleviate language confusion.

**Commissioner Sapp** moved to approve the WAC with the amended addition. **Commissioner Anaya** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

### WAC 139-06-020 Agency reporting requirements – Force, separation, and investigation

**Deborah Jacobs** stated that Washington State Patrol asked for clarification and timeframe for sections 3 and 4, which are pulled straight from the RCW, adding that language was adjusted to reflect the agency responsible for the investigation is the one who was employing the officer at the time when misconduct occurred. **Chair Myers** stated that if the language comes out of the RCW, then we cannot make changes here. **Derek Zable** stated that the changes recommended in subsection 4 clarify which agency is responsible for investigating misconduct.

Vice-Chair Quinn moved to approve the WAC with the suggested changes. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

#### WAC 139-07-040 Polygraph examination or other truth verification assessment

**Deborah Jacobs** shared comments from Public Safety Testing regarding additional truth verification devices but adding that staff did not recommend adopting the proposed language. **Derek Zable** stated that changes were made to the language where other truth verification devices require rules to establish that these devices could be used just not to satisfy background checks. **Chair Myers** added that since the WAC references the RCW, it is hard for the Commission to say that these devices can be used since they are not defined or included in the RCW.

Vice-Chair Quinn moved to approve the WAC with the suggested changes. Commissioner Reynon seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

#### Certification WAC changes based on previous meeting

#### WAC 139-06-010 Certification

For section 1, subsection a(ii), **Deborah Jacobs** stated that changes were made based on suggestions by legal counsel where the Commission granted itself authority.

**Commissioner Robinson** moved to approve the recommended changes. **Vice-Chair Quinn** seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.** 

For section 3, subsection b(iii), **Deborah Jacobs** stated that changes were made based on the previous recommendation from legal counsel.

**Commissioner Snaza** moved to approve the recommended changes. **Commissioner Sapp** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

WAC 139-06-020 Agency reporting requirements – Force, separation, and investigation

**Deborah Jacobs** noted that in Section 7, staff added the inclusion *Officer* and reference to the RCW, as directed by the Commissioners.

Commissioner Robinson moved to approve the recommended changes. Commissioner Reynon seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

## WAC 139-07-040 Polygraph Examination or Other Truth Verification Assessment

**Deborah Jacobs** indicated that due to issues being raised about eliminating reference to approved polygraph associations, reference to the APA recommended language was added.

**Commissioner Reynon** moved to approve the recommended changes. **Commissioner Snaza** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

### WAC 139-17-010 Complaint submission and investigation

**Commissioner Snaza** moved to approve the recommended changes with an amendment to remove "*and prosecutor*" from section 2. **Commissioner Robinson** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

### WAC 139-01 General Administration and Definition

**Commissioner Robinson** moved to approve the entire WAC. **Commissioner Logue** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

#### **Public Comment**

Teresa Taylor, WACOPS

**Teresa Taylor** thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to speak and to the agency for the work done establishing this uncharted territory, sharing ongoing concerns but that she was heartened by the Commission's anticipation of concerns and a willingness to address them in the future. She added that WACOPS asks and hopes that this WAC will be reviewed as it moves forward, and new information is provided, especially regarding a concern shared regarding suspension of a certification and what it means.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Variance Request

Valerie Jenkins-Weaver, Corrections Certification Manager

**Valerie Jenkins-Weaver** provided the Commissioners with a packet containing variance request for Aggie Barnwell of the Lynnwood Police Department.

**Commissioner Snaza** moved to approve the variance request. **Vice-Chair Quinn** seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.** 

#### K9 Applications

Valerie Jenkins-Weaver, Certification Manager

**Valerie Jenkins-Weaver** provided the Commissioners with a packet containing K9 evaluator applications for James Syler – Lakewood Police Department and Theron Hardesty – Pierce County Sheriff's Office.

**Commissioner Anaya** moved to approve the applicants. **Commissioner Sapp** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

# Hearing Panel Applications

Kayla Wold, Hearing Coordinator

**Kayla Wold** provided the Commissioners with a packet containing the applications for Hearing Panel Members. Included in these applications are three applicants for Peace Officer decertification, four applications for Correction Officer decertification, one applicant for Tribal Officer decertification, and two members of the public.

**Commissioner Sapp** moved to approve the peace officer applicants. **Vice-Chair Quinn** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u> Commissioner Robinson abstained.

Commissioner Snaza moved to approve the correction officer applicants. Commissioner Sapp seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

**Commissioner Snaza** moved to approve the tribal officer applicant. **Commissioner Reynon** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed unanimously.</u>

**Commissioner Snaza** moved to approve both members of the public applicants. **Commissioner Sapp** seconded the motion. <u>The motion passed</u>. **Commissioner Robinson** abstained.

# EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Chair Myers** announced that there would be no executive session. **Chair Myers** asked if anyone had anything further. Hearing none, he thanked the Commissioners and adjourned the meeting at 12:47 PM.

Next Meeting: June 15, 2022, 10 AM, WSCJTC		
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