

ILLINOIS STATE POLICE MERIT BOARD

MINUTES

1st QUARTER BOARD MEETING – January 7, 2020

Present were Reeve Waud, Chairman; Andrew Berlin, Board Member; Nancy Maldonado, Board Member; Jack S. Garcia, Executive Director; Daniel Dykstra, Chief Legal Counsel; and Emily Fox, Program Administrator. Board Secretary Jim Riley attended the meeting via telephone conference.

Also in attendance were: Matt Davis, ISP First Deputy Director; Colonel Jamal Simington, ISP DII; Colonel Kelly Walter, ISP Statewide 911; Colonel Timothy Tyler, ISP Division of the Academy; Lieutenant Colonel Marcus Gipson, ISP Division of Internal Investigation; Major Robert Meeder, Division of Patrol; Trooper Aldo Schumann, ISP Division of the Academy; Master Sergeant Hector Alejandre, ISP Division of the Academy; Captain Felix Canizares, Chief of Staff, ISP Office of the Director; Master Sergeant Jason Holt, ISP Teamsters; Master Sergeant Anthony Kestner, Teamsters; Attorney Bruce Bialorucki, Trooper's Lodge; Lieutenant John Thompson, ISP Governmental Affairs.

The meeting was held at the Illinois State Police Merit Board Office, 531 Sangamon Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois.

Board Chairman Reeve Waud opened the meeting at 8:15 AM.

Chairman Waud asked the Board Members to introduce themselves.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the following meeting minutes: October 15, 2019 – 4th Quarter Board Meeting, November 22, 2019 – Special Board Meeting.

Emily Fox updated the Board on the Applicant Process. On Thursday, September 12, 128 applicants were certified for Cadet Class 130. A total of 107 cadets reported to the Academy on Sunday, October 27. The class currently has 94 cadets remaining. A total of 123 Fast Track eligible applicants were invited to participate in the PFIT on November 2, or November 3, 2019. There were 96 backgrounds initiated on November 4th with 73 applicants invited to the Oral Interview Process.

A total of 180 applicants successfully completed the Recruitment Exam and have been invited to participate in the PFIT on March 28th or 29th. The application deadline for Cadet Class 132 is January 31, 2020.

Emily Fox updated the Board on the 2019 Promotional Process. Testing for the 2020 Promotional Process to the rank of Sergeant will be held on Tuesday, September 8 – statewide; and testing to the rank of Master Sergeant will Testing will be held the week of September 21-25 at the State Police Merit Board Office.

The Board voted to go into closed session.

The Board discussed the Joint Motion for a Decision of the Board in the Trooper John Renner matter.

The Board discussed personnel matters.

Emily Fox updated the Board on the Discipline Report.

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The Board discussed keeping the October 15, 2019 and November 22, 2019, meeting minutes confidential.

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 in the Trooper John Renner matter.

The Board voted unanimously to suspend Trooper John Renner for 20 days.

The Board voted unanimously to keep the October 15, 2019, closed meeting minutes confidential.

The Board voted unanimously to keep the November 22, 2019, closed meeting minutes confidential.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.



James V. Kiley, Secretary