# ILLINOIS STATE POLICE MERIT BOARD

# **MINUTES**

# **BOARD MEETING – October 19, 2012**

Present were Ken Schloemer, Board Secretary; George Pradel, Board Member; Mr. James Riley, Board Member, Mr. Art Smith, Board Member; Ronald Cooley, Executive Director and Julie Jones Webster, Human Resource Specialist. Board Chairman John Rednour was unable to attend. The meeting was held at the office of the Illinois State Police Merit Board, Springfield, Illinois.

Also in attendance was Mr. John Hosteny, ISP Legal; Ms. Natalia Delgado, ISP Legal; Mr. Nick Kondelis, ISP Legal; Ms. Jennifer Grady Paswater, ISP Legal; Master Sergeant Christy White, ABLE.

Board Secretary Schloemer opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Board Secretary Schloemer reminded everyone that the meeting was being recorded for ease in writing the minutes.

The following minutes were approved:

July 20, 2012 – 3rd<sup>th</sup> Quarter Merit Board Meeting August 24, 2012 – Special Meeting

Mr. Ron Cooley reported Cadet Class 120 had 60 cadets remaining in the class at week 5 and the class has 23 percent minorities. He also reported background reviews were held yesterday and Oral interviews are scheduled for November 7 & 8.

Mr. Cooley also reported the Merit Board application process is open. Emails went out to six thousand two hundred and ninety four awaiting applicants. He also announced the deadline for applications is November 19, 2013. He mentioned the Merit Board will be administering a written exam on December 8 at McCormick Place and a PFIT exam on December 15-16 at Cellular Field. He also mentioned the Merit Board will be administering a Recruitment Test on January 5<sup>th</sup> at the Prairie Capital Convention Center in Springfield IL. These applicants will be in consideration for Cadet Class 122 which is scheduled to begin in June of 2013.

Mr. Cooley mentioned on n September 20, the Sergeant exam was administered to 648 candidates and the week of September 24-28 we administered the Master Sergeant Exam and Assessment Center at the Merit Board office where 150 candidates participated. He also mentioned a Post Test Review was held on October 2-4 and a committee of Subject Matter Experts met on October 10 to review appeals. We made the following allowances to the answer key.

## MASTER SERGEANT

## **SERGEANT**

25	Allow B & C	2	Allow All Answers
41	Allow All Answers	14	Allow A & D
		30	Allow C & D
		63	Allow B & C

Mr. Cooley also mentioned the target date to deliver the 2012 Promotional Certification Lists will be December 1, 2013.

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Mr. Cooley reported we will conduct Promotional Testing to the ranks of Lieutenant and Captain in 2013. The job knowledge exam and assessment center is scheduled for the week of September 23-28, 2013.

Secretary Schloemer announced the Board Meeting dates for 2013 as; January 18, 2013, Chicago; April 19, 2013, Springfield, July 19, 2013, Chicago; October 18, 2013, Springfield.

Secretary Schloemer asked if there were any questions from the group.

The Board went out of Open session and went into closed session.

The Board discussed the Motion to Withdraw Complaint on the Master Sergeant James Drozdz matter.

The Board discussed the Joint Motion for a Decision of the Merit Board on Trooper David Roman.

The Board discussed the Petition for Review on Trooper Zachary Peters.

The Board discussed the Petition for Review on Michael Hogan.

Ron updated the Board on Capitol Business and lawsuits.

Julie updated the Board on the Disciplinary report.

The Board discussed keeping the July 20, 2012 and August 24, 2012 closed meeting minutes confidential.

The Board voted to go out of closed session and to go back into open session.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the Motion to Withdraw Complaint on the Master Sergeant James Drozdz matter due to his resignation.

The Board voted unanimously on the Joint Motion for a Decision of the Merit Board on Trooper David Roman and suspended Trooper Roman for a period of sixty (60) days.

The Board voted unanimously to hear the Petition for Review on Trooper Zachary Peters.

The Board voted unanimously to hear the Petition for Review on Michael Hogan.

The Board voted to keep the July 20, 2012 and the August 24, 2012, closed meeting minutes confidential.

Secretary Schloemer asked if there were any questions from the audience.

There were no questions.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Ken Schloemer, Secretary

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