



North Carolina Department of Public Safety

Governor's Crime Commission

Roy Cooper, Governor
Eddie M. Buffaloe, Jr., Secretary

Robert A. Evans, Chairman
Caroline Farmer, Executive Director

Governor's Crime Commission Quarterly Meeting

Date: 9/1/2022

Location: Virtual Meeting via WebEx and in-person at 1201 Front Street

In Attendance

Members: Chief Phillip Berger Jr., Sheriff Clarence Birkhead, Sheriff Charles Blackwood, Judge Charlie Brown, Secretary Eddie Buffaloe Jr. (Caroline Valand), Commissioner Matthew Cooper, Judge Mary Covington, Commissioner Benjamin Curtis, Chairman Robert Evans, Mayor Don Hardy, Commissioner Brandeshawn Harris, Commissioner Andrew Hendry, Chief Dan House, Commissioner Karen Howard, Commissioner Virginia Lee Jicha, Colonel Freddy Johnson, The Honorable Monika Johnson-Hostler, Deputy Secretary William Lassiter, Commissioner Jasmine McGhee, Commissioner Susan Osborne, Commissioner Richard (Ricky) Parks, Director Angela Smith, The Honorable Rebecca Spragins, Councilman Christopher Suggs, Commissioner Pamela Thompson, Commissioner James Williams, Sheriff Calvin Woodard, Chief Michael Yaniero.

Staff and Guests: Pat McDonald, Bria Wortham, Grace Clougherty, Betty Harrington, Lindsay Bohan, Dawn Brown, Nickisha Livingston, Navin Puri, Diane Barber-Whitaker, Sandy Dixon, Tonishia Lockley, Allen J Wimmer, WRAL, Casandra Hoekstra, Angela Smith, Karen Howard, Starr Jones, WTVD,, Kelan Lyons, Megan, Theresa Starling. Daisha Thorpe. WGHP, Paris, Fox Charlotte, Botella, Natalia, Kem Braden, Sharon Lewis, Adonicca McAllister, Mary McCray-Okey, Ray Briggs, Christina Scarano, acheek2, Ally Teem, Jane Gilchrist, Kevin Farrell, Leah P, April Burgess-Johnson, Carolyn Locklear, Boyd Ward, Meghan E., Becky Ceartas, Call-in User_3 (919219****), Angel Gray, Call-in User_2 (984233****), Valarie Hunter, Keyon Ashe , Daun Brown, butch Williams, Harriet Lunsford, Kem Braden, Ginny Hevener, Carli Brosseau, Sascha, Karen Howard

Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by the Chairman Evans at 9:13 am. After roll call a quorum was established.

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Reminders

The chair provided an ethics reminder from the General Statute, Chapter 138A-35, and other provisions of the State Government Ethics Act. A reminder for recusal was made. No conflicts were raised, and no one recused themselves.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were sent prior to the meeting.

Minutes Vote: Motion to approve the minutes was made by Sheriff Charles Blackwood, seconded by Judge Charlie Brown. The members voted and the minutes of the prior meeting were approved.

Executive Director Update

Executive Director introduced new members Sheriff Clarence Birkhead, Sheriff Calvin Woodard and Andrew Hendry. Executive Director gave an update about federal funding, including that the Juvenile Justice II Funds have been release after the hold at federal level due to all state's compliance manuals.

Action Items

Bylaw Overview of Changes were discussed by Executive Director Caroline Farmer and Chairman Evans.

Article I.

Section 5 - Offices of the Commission Committees Selection and Term- Added Subcommittee chair and vice chairs.

Section 6 - Committee & Subcommittee Officer Duties- Added duties of Committee vice chairs and subcommittee chairs and vice-chairs.

Section 3.1 - Committees and Sub Committees- added current committees and subcommittees to the list.

Section 3.2 - Committee Composition—clarified how committee and subcommittee appointments shall be made.

Section 3.3 - Grant Scoring and Voting- clarified that nonvoting members can score grants and vote in committees and that subcommittees can score and make recommendations.

Section 6 – Quorum- added statute.

Section 7 – Voting Members- corrected number of members.

Article III

Section 1 – Books and Records- clarified which committees.

Article V

Section 1 – Rules and Regulations- added when inconsistent with law language.

Vote #1:

Motion to Approve: Chief Dan House, Second by Mayor Don Hardy. Motion passed.

Overview of NC Data Advisory Committee: Mission and summary of the committee were presented. Questions about authority and concerns about expanding data law enforcement collect was discussed. As this is an advisory committee, the criminal justice data experts on the advisory group would make recommendations to the Commission but do not have authority to expand data that is collected. It was expressed that the hope was to reduce duplicative and unnecessary reporting by collecting only what is helpful for analysis.

Vote #2:

Motion to Approve: The Honorable Monika Johnson-Hostler, Second: Commissioner Jasmine McGhee. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

CVS: Sheriff Blackwood presented to the Commission on CVS. Regarding VOCA Grant Recommendations based upon the additional funding this year. List is in the Executive Director's PowerPoint. VOCA Funding Priorities were discussed. VAWA STOP Funding Priorities was also discussed. Caps were placed by priority area to assist with program funding being reduced during the approval process. These were presented in the Executive director's PowerPoint.

JJPC: Adonicca McAllister presented to the Commission on JJPC. Regarding Title II Award Update and Grants that were approved. JJPC planned to keep funding the same priorities as 2021-2022 fiscal year.

CJI Chief House presented to the Commission on the CJI Committee. Funding priorities were narrowed for block grants to items equipment that protected law enforcement and protected residents. Statewide and regional Infrastructure was also discussed and how to apply for funding for these types of services/grants. Similar to last year's funding priorities were continued for: Statewide accreditation, Crisis Intervention Teams Training & Mental Health/LEO Model Project.

Vote #3:

Chair called for a vote to approve Committee Recommendations. Priority recommendations approved for all Committees.

Presentations

BETA program was presented by three team members of the SBI. They provided updates to the results of the program along with a few case examples.

Sheriff Cloninger reviewed the 2019 report from the school shooting taskforce.

Scott Grantham and Director Allen presented from the Justice Academy about current active shooter training.

Old/New Business

No old or new business was brought before the Commission.

Announcements and Adjournment

Next meeting will be on December 1, 2022.

Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:49 AM

Attachments

- Agenda
- Roll call
- Voting Rolls
- Executive Director PowerPoint