

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION
MICKELSON CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER
Pierre, SD
November 23, 2015

The South Dakota Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Training Commission teleconference meeting was called to order at the hour of 1:05 PM on November 23, 2015, in the Commission Conference Room located at the Criminal Justice Training Center in Pierre, South Dakota.

Chairman Gortmaker asked for the roll call. The following Commissioners were present and responded to roll call: Robert Perry, Special Agent, FBI; Steve Allender, City of Rapid City Mayor; Mike Leidholt, Hughes County Sheriff; Tom Wollman, Lincoln County State's Attorney; John Long, SSA BIA OJS; Craig Price, Superintendent, SD Highway Patrol; Matt Burns, Sioux Falls Chief of Police; Bryan Gortmaker, Chairman; Scott Rechtenbaugh, Executive Secretary; and Kim Knecht, Assistant Training Administrator.

Commission Members, Randall Rosenau, Lawrence County Commissioner; Jeff Holcomb, Southeast Technical Institute President; and Marty Jackley, Attorney General were absent.

Chairman Gortmaker declared a quorum present and started the order of business with the request to allow Tiffany Schlotterbeck another opportunity at handgun qualification to obtain certification as a South Dakota law enforcement officer. Schlotterbeck went through the basic certification graduation ceremony and failed the firearms qualification the last day. Schlotterbeck was dismissed from the 159th Basic Training Session for handgun qualification failure. Schlotterbeck has successfully completed all other training requirements. The only requirement to fulfill is the handgun qualification. During the training session, Schlotterbeck improved a great deal and put forth a lot of effort. She starting scoring in the 20's and her final score was a 37. Thirty-eight out of fifty is the passing requirement. Lee McPeck, Watertown Police Department Chief of Police and Schlotterbeck are present via telephone. Chief McPeck advised Schlotterbeck is in a 17-week PTO program at the police department. She has shot qualification scores with the department's firearms instructor and believes she can qualify. She is worth a second chance. Staff recommends she be given one more opportunity and be allowed to work. Her year will be up on January 5, 2016, and request she come in and qualify before that time. Law Enforcement Training will provide remedial training if requested and work with a schedule for her to receive the training. **Motion** by Commission Member Leidholt to allow Schlotterbeck to retake the firearms qualification retest and remain in place until test is completed, **second** by Commission Member Long, motion **approved** by verbal response in the affirmative by all members. **Action: 7-0 Aye** (Wollman, Allender, Perry, Long, Burns, Price, and Leidholt).

The next item for consideration is a request from the SD Highway Patrol to reinstate the law enforcement certification of retired Highway Patrol trooper Randy Hofeldt. Hofeldt retired in 2005 after 23 years of service. This is the same request, to provide a security presence in the legislative chambers during session, which members considered at their November 4th commission meeting. This is an additional officer to be available during the legislative session. Col. Price advised Hofeldt will have the same requirement as the other troopers that were approved at the November 4th meeting, to pass firearms qualification with assigned weapon and attend the SD Highway Patrol in-house training. **Motion** by Commission Member Perry to approve Hofeldt's certification reinstatement and complete training as required by LET, **second** by Commission Member Burns. Motion **approved** by verbal response in the affirmative by all members. **Action: 6-0 Aye** (Wollman, Allender, Perry, Long, Burns, and Leidholt).

Minutes will reflect Commission Member Price abstained from voting. The certification reinstatement is not restricted to any particular job; the officers could go elsewhere and work if so inclined.

There being no further business to come before the meeting body, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. on a **motion** by Commission Member Leidholt, **second** by Commission Member Burns, **motion approved** by verbal response in the affirmative by all members. **Action: 7-0 Aye** (Wollman, Allender, Perry, Long, Burns, Price, and Leidholt).

Approved January 27, 2016

Date


Bryan Gortmaker, Chairman LEOSTC


Scott Rechtenbaugh, Executive Secretary LEOSTC


Submitted By Recording Secretary