

**Missouri Department of Public Safety  
Peace Officers Standards and Training (P.O.S.T) Commission  
October 4, 2011  
Harry S Truman Building, Room 400  
Jefferson City, Missouri**

***Commissioners Present:***

Detective Mark Edwards, Jefferson City Police Department (Acting Chairperson)  
Sheriff Stephen Cox, Livingston County Sheriff's Office  
Chief Lane Roberts, Joplin Police Department  
Captain Diane Scanga, Jefferson College Law Enforcement Academy  
Sergeant Greg Wheelen, Springfield Police Department  
Sheriff Dwight Diehl, Cass County Sheriff's Office  
Chief Daniel Isom, St. Louis Police Department

***Commissioners Not Present:***

Captain Ronald Johnson, Missouri State Highway Patrol (Chairperson)  
Sheriff Glenn Boyer, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office  
Reverend David Ballenger, Public Member

***DPS/POST Staff Present:***

John Britt, DPS Director  
Andrea Spillars, DPS Deputy Director  
Andy Briscoe, DPS General Counsel  
Jeremy Spratt, POST Program Manager  
Kim Haddix, POST Program Licensing Supervisor  
Nena Snodgrass, POST Program Investigator

***Visitors:***

Chief Carl Kinnison, Cape Girardeau Police Department  
Ron Neubauer, Eastern Missouri Police Academy  
Ron Carroll, Missouri Sheriffs' Training Academy  
Michael Brown, Southeast Missouri State University Law Enforcement  
Training Academy  
Tony Bowers, Drury University Law Enforcement Academy  
Brian Wright, University of Central Missouri Law Enforcement Academy  
Kevin Ahlbrand, Missouri Fraternal Order of Police  
Robert Clark, Missouri Fraternal Order of Police  
Les Kerr, U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District  
Eldon Wulf, Missouri State Highway Patrol Law Enforcement Academy  
Sheila Pearson, St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department  
Michael Muxo, St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department  
Sean McCarthy, St. Louis Police Department Academy  
Angela Taylor, St. Louis Police Department Academy  
Kevin Lawson, St. Louis County Municipal Police Academy

### ***Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance***

Detective Mark Edwards called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Oath of Honor.

### ***Introduction of Commissioners and Guests***

Detective Edwards welcomed everyone to the meeting and proceeded to have each Commissioner and visitor introduce themselves.

### ***Introduction of new POST Commissioner***

Introduction of new POST Commissioner, Stephen Cox was made. Commissioner Cox gave a brief history of his career in law enforcement.

### ***Recognition of Outgoing Commissioner Carl Kinnison***

A plaque was awarded to outgoing Commissioner Carl Kinnison. Chief Kinnison was thanked for his service on the POST Commission. Chief Kinnison then thanked those whom he had worked with while serving on the commission.

### ***Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2011 Meeting***

A motion was made by Detective Edwards to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2011 meeting. Motion was accepted, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the minutes as written.

### ***Application for Approved Provider of Continuing Education U.S. Attorney, Western District of Missouri***

On April 12, 2011, the Missouri POST Commission granted preliminary approval for the U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Missouri to become an approved provider of continuing law enforcement education. On May 11, 2011, Mr. Jeremy Spratt and Ms. Gayla Kempker met with Mr. Les Kerr and completed a site visit of the training center. Mr. Kerr's attendance policy, record storage facility, and large conference room that will be used for training was reviewed. During the visit, Mr. Kerr did not have any courses prepared for review however, he has submitted multiple continuing education courses to POST for review and approval, all which were awarded POST control numbers. No concerns were found with his policy and procedures or his training facility and resources. Recommendation was made to the POST Commission that the provider be issued a one year license to become a POST approved provider to issue continuing education. Motion was made by Commissioner Scanga, all were in favor, motion passed.

Director Britt confirmed that the license for the U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Missouri was granted. Mr. Spratt indicated that the license will be signed by Director Britt and sent to their office.

### ***October 2011 Disciplinary Report***

The following actions were taken by the POST Program from April 2, 2011 through September 27, 2011:

#### **Peace Officers:**

Cases initiated: 37  
Licenses revoked: 15  
Licenses probated: 2  
Voluntary surrender (permanent): 0  
No action after investigation: 0

#### **Basic Training/License Applicants:**

Application questionnaires reviewed: 115  
Pending final review: 17  
Denied entry: 5  
Allowed entry after investigation/hearing: 20  
Denied application for a license: 0

#### **Current Caseload:**

Active cases at POST: 72  
Active cases at the AG's office: 30

### ***Training Center Audits***

Audits were completed of the following training centers:

Eastern Missouri Law Enforcement Center (Approved)  
Southeast Missouri State University (Approved)  
MCC-Blue River Academy (Pending Audit Report)  
Jefferson College Law Enforcement Academy (Pending Audit Report)  
Missouri State University (Approved)  
Missouri Division of Fire Safety (Approved)

### ***2011 POST Commission Training Funds***

\$1,253,617.89            Amount Distributed  
Over \$500 Agencies Received 91.92%

15 Non-Compliant Agencies  
12 were for Racial Profiling  
3 were for Uniform Crime Reports

### ***Questions or Comments***

Deputy Chief Brad Halsey and Sergeant John Bullard from the Independence Police Department spoke with the commission on the issue of approved provider hours for continuing education. They stated that research was done by them and they determined that other similar sized agencies were having the same difficulties as they were in obtaining approved provider training credit for their officers. They stated that major cities have an academy that they can use to obtain approved provider hours, so it is not an issue for them. Even though they don't have their own training center, their training is done from lesson plans that already approved by POST, with a POST control number. The issue that they have is that they have three officers that are driving instructors at MCC Blue River Academy, and if they send their people to the academy to take an eight hour driving course, they get approved provider credit. If they use the same three instructors at their department, using the same lesson plan, it doesn't count as approved provider training. They stated that they are not looking to change the rules or regulations, but are looking for a way to save funds.

Mr. Neubauer recommended that a committee be established to review this and make recommendations. Detective Edwards asked for volunteers. Mr. Spratt indicated that normally an email is sent to all of the academy directors asking for volunteers. However, he feels that the Police Chiefs Association and Sheriff's Associations should be included on the committee to ensure law enforcement agency representation. Mr. Spratt stated that an e-mail will be sent out seeking volunteers to serve on this committee. Commissioners Isom and Wheelen agreed to chair this committee.

### ***April 2012 Meeting Date***

The date for the April 2012 Commission meet was set for Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 1 pm.

### ***Comments***

In closing, Detective Edwards reminded us to remember those officers who have been killed in the line of duty and to keep them in our thoughts in prayers.

### ***Adjournment***

Since there were no further items to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 pm.