

State of Maine
Maine Criminal Justice Academy Board of Trustees

Complaint Review Committee
Minutes of August 31, 2018 Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas Peters II, Esq., Public Member, Chairman
Detective Seth Blodgett, Office of the Attorney General
Deputy Chief Amy Berry, South Portland Police Department in lieu of Chief Charles J. Rumsey, IV, Cumberland Police Department

STAFF PRESENT

Andrew Black, AAG, Legal Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Peters called the meeting to order at 0831.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the CRC Meeting of April 4, 2018, were reviewed and approved by a vote of 2-0, with Berry abstaining.

INFORMAL CONFERENCES

The CRC voted unanimously to go into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 405(6)(F) for the purpose of discussing information pertaining to allegations of certificate holder misconduct, which information and records are expressly made confidential under 25 M.R.S. § 2806-A(10).

The CRC went into executive session beginning at 0834 and held conferences in the following matters:

- Case No. 2018-002
- Case No. 2018-019
- Case No. 2018-017
- Case No. 2018-023

From 1135 to 1215 the CRC recessed for lunch and at 1215 reconvened in executive session to discuss open cases.

CASE DISCUSSIONS

The CRC discussed resolutions for the following matters:

- Case No. 2018-002
- Case No. 2018-019
- Case No. 2018-017

- Case No. 2018-023
- Case No. 2018-021

The CRC came out of executive session at 1256.

CASE RECOMMENDATIONS

Case No. 2018-002. On a motion by Peters seconded by Blodgett, the CRC voted 3-0 to offer this full-time law enforcement officer a consent agreement pursuant to 25 M.R.S. § 2806-A(5)(H) for engaging in conduct in another state that would constitute a Class C or D crime (assault and resisting arrest) which consent agreement would impose a warning and probation for a period of 3 years.

Case No. 2018-019. On a motion by Peters seconded by Berry, the CRC voted 3-0 to present this case to the Board with a recommendation that the Board take no disciplinary action but issue this full-time law enforcement officer a letter of guidance referencing 29-A M.R.S. § 2601(5), which makes it unlawful to dispose of a violation summons in a manner other than as required by law.

Case No. 2018-017. On a motion by Peters seconded by Berry, the CRC voted 3-0 to table this case pending completion of the DEEP evaluation of this corrections officer.

Case No. 2018-023. On a motion by Blodgett seconded by Peters, the CRC voted 3-0 to present this case to the Board and recommend that the Board take no further action against this full-time law enforcement officer.

Case No. 2018-021. On a motion by Peters seconded by Berry, the CRC voted 3-0 to offer this part-time law enforcement officer a consent agreement pursuant to 25 M.R.S. § 2806-A(5)(J) for engaging in conduct that violates mandatory standards. The consent agreement would impose a reprimand and a 2-year suspension, which would require recertification.

FURTHER CASE DISCUSSIONS

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The CRC went into executive session beginning at 1331 and discussed anonymous allegations in an un-docketed matter.

The CRC came out of executive session at 1402.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the CRC adjourned at 1410.