



DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS & TRAINING

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POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS and TRAINING COUNCIL ACCREDITATION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

9:00 A.M.

Zoom Meet

<https://ctdespp.zoom.us/j/83528299526>

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE:

Subcommittee Members Present: Chief Paul Melanson (Committee Chairman), Johnathan Slifka, Florencia Cotto Jr.

Subcommittee Members Not Present: Chief Roberto Rosado, David Kosciuk

Other Attendees: Chief Thomas Wydra, Karen Boisvert, Carrie Jo McGuffey, Jennie Rivera, Brian Budd, Attorney Jessica Gouveia

CALL TO ORDER:

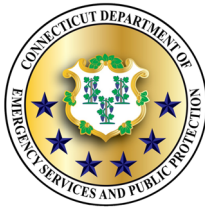
The meeting was called to order at 0902 hours by Chief Melanson.

ACTION ITEMS:

Tier I (1-4)

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| 1. Beacon Falls Police Department | Tier I |
| 2. New Fairfield Police Department | Tier I |
| 3. Prospect Police Department | Tier I |
| 4. Washington Police Department | Tier I |

A motion was made by Chief Melanson to accept items 1-4 and award Tier I Accreditation, seconded by Jonathan Slifka. The motion passes unanimously.



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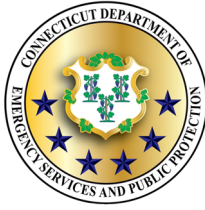
Tier II (1-8)

1. Bridgewater Police Department	Tier II
2. Colchester Police Department	Tier II
3. Deep River Police Department	Tier II
4. DMV Commercial Vehicle Safety Division	Tier II
5. Hebron Police Department	Tier II
6. Old Lyme Police Department	Tier II
7. Regional Water Authority Police Department	Tier II
8. Washington Police Department	Tier II

A motion was made by Chief Melanson to accept items 1-8 and award Tier II Accreditation, seconded by Florencia Cotto Jr. The motion passes unanimously.

Tier III (1- 26)

1. Amtrak Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
2. Avon Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
3. Berlin Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
4. Bloomfield Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
5. Branford Police Department (CALEA LE1)	Tiers II and III
6. Bristol Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
7. Central CT State University Police Department (CALEA LE1)	Tiers II and III
8. Clinton Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
9. CT State Community College Police Department	Tiers II and III
10. CT State Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
11. Coventry Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
12. Eastern CT State University Police Department	Tier III
13. Groton City Police Department	Tier III
14. Ledyard Police Department	Tiers II and III
15. Montville Police Department	Tiers II and III
16. New London Police Department	Tier III
17. Orange Police Department	Tier III
18. Plainfield Police Department	Tier II and III
19. South Windsor Police Department (CALEA LE1)	Tiers II and III
20. Southern CT State University Police Department	Tier III
21. State Capitol Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
22. UConn Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
23. Waterford Police Department	Tier III



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24. Wethersfield Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III
25. Wilton Police Department	Tier III
26. Winchester Police Department (CALEA ADV)	Tier III

A motion was made by Chief Melanson to accept items 1-26 and award Tier III Accreditation, seconded by Florencia Cotto Jr. The motion passes.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Resident Trooper Town update:
 - a. Extension Requests:
 1. Barkhamsted Police Department, Tier I, 12/31/2024
 2. Bethlehem Police Department, Tier I, 12/31/2024
 3. New Hartford Police Department, Tier I, 12/31/2024

Brian Budd provided an update on the Resident Trooper Towns requesting extension requests.

A motion was made by Chief Melanson to accept the extension requests, seconded by Jonathan Slifka. The motion passes unanimously.

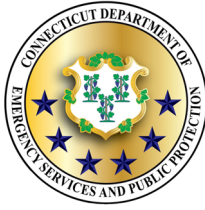
OLD BUSINESS:

1. Agencies in Non-Compliance Status Report:
 - a. Department of Social Services, Capias Unit
 - b. Portland Police Department – in progress

Jennie Rivera provided an update on two agencies previously provided with formal notice of non-compliance status.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. CALEA Advanced and LE1 standards discussion
 - a. Brian Budd discussed need for POSTC to clarify the POST Accreditation review process as it relates to CALEA Advanced and CALEA LE1 agencies. Attorney Jessica Gouveia shares her interpretation of the accreditation statute, and opines that if CALEA LE1 does not achieve the goals set forth in State accreditation Tiers 2 and 3, CALEA LE1 agencies must either attain State Tier 2 and Tier 3 accreditation or CALEA Advanced accreditation to satisfy the statute. The subcommittee members agreed that the current process needs clarity, which should be formally provided. Chief Melanson suggested adding it as an



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action item to the agenda for the upcoming POST Council Meeting scheduled for March 13, 2025.

2. Tolland Police Department

- a. Brian Budd provided a status update on the Tolland Police Department. Following a brief discussion, subcommittee members agreed that the next step will be for staff to draft a letter informing the agency of its status. The letter will note that the agency currently employs no sworn members.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chief Melanson adjourned the meeting at 0928 hours.

Key

* CALEA – Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies

* CALEA ADV - Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. Advanced includes all 461 standards

* CALEA LE1 - Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. Law Enforcement (LE1) 1 includes 183 standards.

JR:jr