## MINUTES OF DEPUTY SHERIFF MERIT BOARD MEETING October 29, 2019

Board Chair, Denis Spalding called the meeting to order at approximately 12:26 p.m. Other Board Members present were J.B. Lesher, Greg Gitschier and Jim Singhiser. Also present were Sheriff John Aubrey, Colonel Carl Yates, Attorney David Leightty, Attorney Mark Dobbins, FOP President Tim Pike, Administrative Assistant Madonna Barnes and Chief Examiner Jeff Prewitt.

Motion to approve the minutes of the July 31, 2018 Board Meeting was made by Greg Gistchier, seconded by Jim Singhiser and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office numbers and the contact list were both reviewed and corrections were made to the contact list.

The Sheriff updated the Board on several issues: We have at least six deputies retiring December 1 due to changes in the pension system. We have several new recruits scheduled for Recruit School and we are hiring more for later this year. We hosted the Kentucky Sheriff's Association Conference, the National Sheriff's Association Conference and the Major County Sheriff's Association this year.

Mark Dobbins advised the Board that we have zero appeals pending and David Leightty advised that we have zero cases pending except for several lawsuits against the Kentucky Retirement System.

Tim Pike noted that the lack of appeals is a testament to the cooperation between the Sheriff and the FOP. Tim, who is returning from retirement said that the Sheriff is always fair with the FOP and they partner together to look for ways to raise salaries and to make sure everyone is treated fairly.

Carl Yates stated that the Training unit is "hitting the ball out of the park". He mentioned active shooter, stop the bleed, and self-defense as examples of classes benefitting both the JCSO and the community.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jim Singhiser, seconded by J.B. Lesher, and unanimously approved by the Board. Denis Spalding adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Francis

Attested by:

Denis Spalding

Merit Board Chairman

Date

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