

**COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING**

**COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**ARKANSAS STATE POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

9:00 A.M. Meeting called to order.

Commissioners present:

Chairman Doc Holladay  
Vice Chair Barry Phillips  
Sheriff Lafayette Woods  
Sheriff Phillip Miller  
Mr. Thomas Marsh  
Mr. Richard Wingard  
Mr. James Montgomery  
Chief Mike Reynolds

Commissioners absent:

Major Stacie Rhoads  
Chief Heath Helton

Others Present:

Chris Chapmond, ADLEST Director  
Kelvin Sergeant, ADLEST Deputy Director  
Steve Taylor, DPS Attorney  
Kreasha Williams, ADLEST Paralegal  
Molly Wrigley, ADLEST Paralegal  
Barbara Varnell, ADLEST Education Coordinator  
Sue Albritton, ADLEST Administrative Assistant  
Charles Moulton, Hearing Officer  
Coby Copeland, Court Reporter  
Laura Robbins, DPS Communications  
Eric Wacaster, DPS Chief Legal Counsel  
Drew Scott, Madison County Sheriff's Office  
Sammi Wilmoth, Attorney, Fayetteville  
Jarrod Bassham, BRTC  
Kara Barksdale  
Nathan Barksdale  
Ronnie Boyd, Madison County Sheriff's Office  
Tracie Barksdale  
Justin Barksdale  
Libby Wetzel  
Eric Wetzel

Jesi Feld, DPS	James Haynes, Gosnell
Alvque Henderson	Andrew Wyles, Blytheville
Billie A. Taylor, Gosnell	Chris Lassley, Gosnell Police Department
Tim Hassell, West Fork	Ella Kreatin
Cherlia Herron	Jason Taylor, Mayor, Gosnell
Ernest Whitten, Pulaski County Sheriff's Office	Kajuan Watson, Pulaski County Sheriff's Office
Susan Baxter, Independence County	Tye Baxter, Independence County
Jessica Hess, Independence County	Tony B. Jordan UAPB
Noel Barksdale	Chase Mangicipane, Attorney
Todd Shannon	Antwain Robinson
Aleshia Ligon, Conway	Ashton Ligon, Magazine
Carlila Emby, Conway	Judy Brown, Luxora
Perry Jennings, Luxora	Lee Brown, Luxora
Jasmine P. Mayfield, Pulaski County	John Wilkerson, AR Municipal League
Lisa Harrison, Mayor, Norfolk	Dempsy Thompson, Chief, City of Norfolk
Ryan Roach, DPS	Ed Chattaway, Texarkana Police Department
Rick Cockrell, Texarkana Police Department	Alec Tiner, Little Rock Police Department
Magian Hardy, Dumas Police Department	Latasha Thompson, Dumas Police Department
Jason McGlawn, ADLEST	Tony B. Jordan, UAPB
Theodore House, UAPB	David Newton
Ashley Newton	Keith Finch, Dumas Police Department
Magain Hardy	Tess Bradford, DPS
Jason Aaron, ASP	Brad Whiley, Hot Springs Village Police Department
Sgt. Christiana McKibben, ASP	Jonathan Prater, Little Rock Police Department
Priscille Neeley, Attorney	Kristi Bennett, Hot Springs Village Police Department
Latasha Thompson	Chief Finch, Dumas Police Department

A motion to accept the minutes of the November meetings was made by Commissioner Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

Item I: Item one was a request from the Norfolk Police Department for a waiver of the full-time chief requirement under ACA 12-9-118. After discussion, this request was tabled pending Standards Division obtaining clarity of ACA 12-9-118 from Attorney General's Office.

Item II: Item two was a request from Antwain Robinson for recertification under CLEST Rule 1034. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Woods. Motion carried.

Item III: Item three was a request from Perry Jennings for recertification under CLEST Rule 1034. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Wingard. Motion carried.

Item IV: Item four was a request from Todd Shannon for recertification under CLEST Rule 1034. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried.

Item V: Item five was a request from Ashton Ligon for recertification under CLEST Rule 1034. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Wingard. Motion carried.

Item VI: Item six was a request from the Standards Division for dismissal of decertification proceedings against Colton Crabb due to a felony conviction. A motion to grant the request was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Woods. Motion carried.

Item VII: Item seven was a request from the U of A Little Rock for the decertification of former Officer Aja Akins. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

Item VIII: Item eight was a request from the Saline County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Dylan Bradley. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

Item IX: Item nine was a request from the Fordyce Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Jermaine Anderson. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried.

Item X: Item ten was a request from the Crittenden County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Martrevius Bell. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Marsh and seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Motion carried.

Item XI: Item eleven was a request from the Crittenden County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Lance Ellis. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried.

Item XII: Item twelve was a request from the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Joshua Bolland. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried.

XIII: Item thirteen was a request from the Rockport Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Brian Douglas. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Marsh and seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

XIV: Item fourteen was a request from the Faulkner County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Matthew Eason. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

XV: Item fifteen was a request from the Faulkner County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Brian Hellums. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

XVI: Item sixteen was a request from the Faulkner County Sheriff's for the decertification of former Deputy Tyler Rye. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Marsh and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

XVII: Item seventeen was a request from the Pottsville Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Travis Johnson. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Woods. Motion carried.

XVIII: Item eighteen was a request for from the Miller County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Shane Johnston. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Motion carried.

XIX: Item nineteen was a request from the Lee County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Andrew Keeling. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

XX: Item twenty was a request from the Arkansas Department of Corrections for the decertification of former Officer Kevin Mixon. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried.

XXI: Item twenty-one was a request from the Centerton Police Department for the decertification of former officer Austin Pollock. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

XXII: Item twenty-two was a request form the Sebastian County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Cameron Six Killer. A motion to proceed to a hearing was made by Commissioner Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion carried.

XXIII: Item twenty-three was a request from the Tuckerman Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Benjamin Slagley. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

XXIV: Item twenty-four was a request from the Mansfield Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Stephen Townley. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried.

XXV: Item twenty-five was a request from the Jacksonville Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Deshunte Wilson. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

XXVI: Item twenty-six was a request from the White County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Haley Workman. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried. Commissioner Miller recusing.

XXVII: Item twenty-seven was a request from the Jacksonville Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Armond Byford. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried.

XXVIII: Item twenty-eight was a request from the Paragould Police Department for the decertification of Christopher Reaves. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

XXIX: Item twenty-nine was a request from the Hughes Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Corbin Dixon. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

XXX: Item thirty was a request from the Sebastian County Sheriff's Office for the decertification of former Deputy Samuel Ford. A motion to deny the request was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

XXXI: Item thirty-one was a request from the Alexander Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Jacob Pilcher. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Marsh. Motion carried.

XXXII: Item thirty-two was a request from the Centerton Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Kelton Knipmeyer. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

XXXIII: Item thirty-three was a request from the Little Rock Police Department for the decertification of former Officer Jasmine Jones. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried.

XXXIV: Item thirty-four was a request from the Arkansas Department of Corrections for decertification of former Officer William Davidson. A motion to proceed to a decertification hearing was made by Commissioner Marsh and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried.

On February 10, 2026, decertification hearings were held. Four (4) Consent Orders were presented for a final vote on behalf of **Joseph Harris, Joshua Crom, Steven Seitz, and Reyn Brown**. A motion to accept the Consent Orders and to decertify these four individuals was made by Commissioner Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Woods. Motion carried. A hearing was held for **Timothy Hassell**. After hearing all evidence presented, a motion that the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law had been met and to decertify was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Motion carried. Timothy Hassell was decertified. A hearing was held for **Jasmine Mayfield**. After hearing all evidence presented, a motion that the Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law had been met and to decertify was made by Commissioner Montgomery and seconded by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried. Jasmine Mayfield was decertified. A hearing was held for **James Haynes**. After hearing all evidence presented, a motion that the Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law had been met but did not rise to the level of decertification, was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion carried. James Haynes was not decertified.

On February 11, 2026, hearings were held. A Consent Order was presented for a final vote for **Carla Matlock**. A motion to accept the Consent Order and to decertify Carla Matlock was made by Commissioner Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Woods. Motion carried. Carla Matlock was decertified. A hearing was held for **Danielle Burns**. After hearing all evidence presented, a motion that the findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law had been met and to decertify was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by

Commissioner Montgomery. Motion Carried. Danielle Burns was decertified. A hearing was held for **Daniel Newton**. After hearing all evidence presented, a motion that the Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law had been met and to decertify was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Woods. Motion carried. Daniel Newton was decertified. A hearing was held for **Trip Hensley**. After hearing all evidence presented, a motion that the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law had been met and to decertify was made by Commissioner Woods and seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion carried. Trip Hensley was decertified. A hearing was held for **James Stone**. After hearing all evidence presented, a motion that the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law had been met and to decertify was made by Commissioner Woods and seconded by Commissioner Montgomery. Motion carried. James Stone was decertified. A hearing was held for **Magian Hardy**. After hearing all evidence presented a motion that the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law were not met was made by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Woods. Motion carried. Magian Hardy was not decertified. A total of **eleven (11)** officers were decertified. A total of **two (2)** officers were not decertified. The hearings were presided over by Hearing Officer Charles Moulton and recorded by Court Reporter Coby Copeland.

### Director's Report

Construction update-

East Camden-

The dormitory is complete and is being used by staff and students now. The new design allowed for an additional seven rooms to be used by staff and adjunct instructors. The project exceeded expectations. The roof project is complete. This provided us with a new roof system over the entire existing structure. The range building frame is erected, painting completed, the roof is 65% complete, electrical, and concrete are in the works. The primary building is set to have the punch list walk through done by the end of next week, I believe we will have that building by the first of March. Project completion is expected before April.

Springdale –

The range is complete and being utilized. The main training building has moved faster than anticipated. The building is 95% complete. Punch list has been done, and contractors are working on finishing. I expect that we will take possession of the complex within the next two weeks.

Both projects remain under budget.

- Academy Graduations
  - Camden - Graduation April 19th
  - Central - Graduation April 3rd
  - Northwest - Graduation April 9th

We are working on adding additional rule changes to our packet. The packets are still at Governor's office for review. No updates on Commissioner reappointments.