



## Minutes of the Arkansas Crime Information Center Supervisory Board - Friday, March 1, 2024

David Eberdt Training Center: In-person and TEAMS

**Board Members present:** Lieutenant Lloyd White, Chair; Sheriff Ron Nichols, Vice Chair; Colonel and DPS Cabinet Secretary Mike Hagar; Chris Bentley; Wayne Bewley; Matthew Durrett; Mr. Dan Harness; Howard Heffington; Krystal Mann; Judge Melanie Martin; Nicholas Ortiz; Nicki Nicolo; William Straughn; Debbie Wise

**Also attending** – Jeff Long, Director; Rick Stallings, Administrator of Operations; Michael Tackett, DPS Deputy CIO; Lesa Winston, Administrator of Repository; Marc Arnold, ACIC; Lajunda Bean, ACIC; Karen Burgess, ACIC; Sarah Cole, ACIC; Kristian Lanes, ACIC; Jennifer Locke, ACIC; Rhonda Ratterree, ACIC; Kara Rice, ACIC; Paula Stitz, ACIC; Ralph Ward, ACIC; Tiffanie Ward, ACIC; Bailey Wyatt, ACIC

### **Call to Order:**

Lt. Lloyd White called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

### **Approval of Previous Minutes: December 1, 2023:**

**Motion to Approve:** Wayne Bewley

**Seconded by:** Howard Heffington

**Voting:** Unanimous

### **Levi Wallace Request for Reinstatement of Access:**

*Mr. Rick Stallings, Ms. Krystal Mann, Mr. Chris Bentley, Lieutenant Lloyd White, Mr. Billy Bob Webb, representing Levi Wallace, Mr. Levi Wallace, Mr. Mike Moyer, Sheriff Ron Nichols, and Mr. Howard Heffington*

*Mr. Stallings: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. First, let me explain how this came about with the history. I was contacted by Lieutenant John Langham with the Pea Ridge Police Department. He wanted the transactions for Mr. Levi Wallace between December 2nd and December 29<sup>th</sup> for an Internal Affairs (IA) investigation. I ran the transactions and provided Mr. Langham the information. On January 2<sup>nd</sup>, I received an email that there was a determination of misuse. I informed them that if there is a termination as a result of that misuse, to please send it to us and we'll make a notation of that in our system, we'll send a letter to him (Mr. Wallace) letting him know that that has happened and how to go about getting reinstatement, and that's why we're here. On January 4<sup>th</sup> I received a letter that they (Pea Ridge PD) did terminate him for misuse, and I requested that they provide a copy of the IA report for our documentation. You do have a copy of that, it was provided to you. In the IA, it shows that a QNF, which is a Query Name File transaction, was ran to find a person who had reached out to his (Mr. Wallace) estranged wife through Messenger. The IA says that it was a boyfriend, but it may not be a boyfriend, it may be someone that just reached out. In that IA, it does say that it was self-reported. He (Mr. Wallace) reported to his lieutenant at the time. He knew that it was a mistake after doing a QNF in doing the ATLAS transaction to see the full record. I will say an ATLAS transaction brings back the person's driving history and criminal history. I will note, that in talking to people and other officers, it is not normal practice to run someone and then self-report. You run someone in your normal investigation, your normal duty. But, when you run it and then go self-report it, he (Mr.*

Wallace) knew that it was a misuse at that point. It was later that I received an updated email from Chief Hahn from the Pea Ridge Police Department, stating that they had made a mistake in their Internal Investigation and that there was no misuse involving a vehicle that was ran along with that transaction. There was no mention of the person they ran or the individual that contacted. He (Mr. Wallace) contacted Director Long about getting reinstated and in that visit, Director Long thought it would be best to bring it before the Board to make the determination of reinstatement. Any questions?

Ms. Mann: Have we ever done this before?

Mr. Stallings: We have.

Ms. Mann: In what similar facts?

Mr. Stallings: It was a private investigator that was running stuff, and the board did not approve the recommendation. But the private investigator, he was running stuff. He was working at a prosecutor's office, but at that point in time, he was running it for his personal use.

Ms. Mann: And did we allow him to be reinstated or not?

Mr. Stallings: No, they did not.

Ms. Mann: Okay

Mr. Stallings: I will say that Mr. Wallace has been trained since 2015. So, he has taken the training, he has been recertified and he has taken the CJIS Security training.

Mr. Bentley: Is he still a police officer?

Mr. Stallings: He still has the certification I believe. But I will say that if he can't access our system and the data from it, I don't know where it could go from this point.

Lt. White: Mr. Stallings, was the QNF the only thing ran or did that lead to the QW (Query Wanted)?

Mr. Stallings: No, the QNF basically, if you're not familiar with that is Query Name File and it does search, if you don't have a date of birth or DL (driver's license) number, you're trying to find that information for the person. You're actively searching. What it will return is the CSN number in most cases, it will return a name and a date of birth. So, you find the person that you want, and you use that name and date of birth to run another transaction. In this case, he (Mr. Wallace) used his mobile data terminal (MDT) in his car to run an ATLAS transaction, and that ATLAS transaction will provide the full driver's license record plus a criminal history record. There's no unseeing that information once you hit that 'enter' button.

Mr. Bentley: So, there's two searches that were actually done?

Mr. Stallings: Anything else?

Lt. White: Any other questions for Mr. Stallings?

Lt. White: Thank you, sir. Mr. Wallace, you can also ask questions. The floor is yours.

Mr. Webb: May I ask y'all if I could inquire?

*Lt. White: Sure.*

*Mr. Webb: Levi, you heard what Mr. Stallings said with regards to what happened. Do you dispute any of that?*

*Mr. Wallace: I do not.*

*Mr. Webb: So, tell the Board what you were thinking when you did it and then what happened.*

*Mr. Wallace: I wasn't really thinking that much at the time. I had just gotten back to work from time off during my divorce. It was my first day back. Without going into a lot of detail, it was pretty bad. I have custody of all 3 of my kids even being unemployed. It was just a rough time. I don't have an excuse for doing it. I shouldn't have did it. I closed out and immediately reported myself.*

*Mr. Webb: How much time between you doing these searches and you reporting it to your lieutenant?*

*Mr. Wallace: About 8 minutes. The time it took for me to drive to the police department.*

*Mr. Webb: What came over you to realize that "what I've done is wrong"?*

*Mr. Wallace: I don't know. I was running off some emotion I hadn't endured, I don't know. I snapped out of it and figured I needed more time off or something. Thought maybe I came back too early.*

*Mr. Webb: Your first Chief was Jessie Martinez correct?*

*Mr. Wallace: Correct.*

*Mr. Webb: Chief Martinez left you with a rule of thumb when it comes to when you make a mistake. Will you share that with the Board?*

*Mr. Wallace: It's not what you did it's the lie that you told.*

*Mr. Webb: So, you did not tell a lie here today, you had to get out in front of it correct?*

*Mr. Wallace: Correct.*

*Mr. Webb: Do you think going further if you're allowed to be reinstated at another police department, and you have to use ACIC, every time you hit that terminal button, you're going to think about this situation is that right?*

*Mr. Wallace: I will.*

*Mr. Webb: I guess I don't have any other questions. I guess I'll just leave it to the board to ask you some.*

*Lt. White: So, you're currently not employed?*

*Mr. Wallace: I am not.*

*Mr. Bentley: Is there any employment that's contingent upon this decision?*

*Mr. Wallace: Before I was a police officer, I was a clerk for our circuit court. You normally need ACIC access to work in the prosecutor's office. So, I'd have to find a whole new career path.*

*Mr. Moyer: How long were you with the Pea Ridge Police Department?*

*Mr. Wallace: 2 years.*

*Mr. Moyer: Were you at another agency prior to that?*

*Mr. Wallace: Little Flock.*

*Mr. Moyer: Is that the only two?*

*Mr. Wallace: Yes.*

*Mr. Moyer: Did you leave Little Flock in good standing to go to Pea Ridge?*

*Mr. Wallace: I did.*

*Mr. Moyer: Any other issues at Pea Ridge other than this, discipline-wise?*

*Mr. Wallace: In the years that I've been a police officer, not so much as a write-up.*

*Mr. Moyer: What was their reasoning for termination when you met with the chief?*

*Mr. Wallace: ACIC misuse was the reason given.*

*Mr. Webb: I would note just for the timeline, that the chief found out information that may have changed his initial determination decision later as it remotes that later that he sent on his behalf for this reinstatement. But you know when you're chief and you make a decision you have to stand by that and I understand that, and so does Levi. I just wanted to point out that timeline.*

*Mr. Wallace: Chief Hahn also told me that he would give me a recommendation if I was able to go to another department. I've talked to him since the termination.*

*Mr. Moyer: Is there an appeal process for your termination with Pea Ridge?*

*Mr. Wallace: I believe so I'll choose to pursue that but I had to get through this hurdle before any of that.*

*Mr. Bentley: Is there a timeline on that appeal process?*

*Mr. Wallace: I don't know off the top of my head, but I've been focused on this.*

*Mr. Bentley: So, you've gone through ACIC training, CJIS training, and you admit that you know that this was a violation. You had to do two searches to get the transaction?*

*Mr. Wallace: Well, I closed out the first one because I was driving.*

*Mr. Bentley: But you still had to do two, right?*

*Mr. Wallace: I did.*

*Mr. Bentley: Did you know this person?*

*Mr. Wallace: No. Just knew he lived in the city and had a criminal record.*

*Mr. Bentley: So, you had to do a second search, then once you did figure out who he was, you did your query, your QNF?*

*Mr. Wallace: Well, I knew his name.*

*Mr. Bentley: But that was all?*

*Mr. Wallace: Yes.*

*Mr. Bentley: So, why did it take you two searches to decide in your mind that you were doing wrong?*

*Mr. Wallace: Well, I pulled it up the first time while I was driving and I couldn't look at it so I just closed out of it until later.*

*Mr. Bentley: Can I ask a question over to Rick real quick?*

*Lt. White: Absolutely.*

*Mr. Bentley: So, Rick, is that a correct process, that if he does a QNF, he'll be able to see it immediately, he'll be able to see the criminal history?*

*Mr. Stallings: No, not with the QNF. You actually have to do another search.*

*Mr. Bentley: So, there are two separate and distinct times that this was violated?*

*Mr. Stallings: Yes sir. Two searches would have to be performed to get that information.*

*Mr. Bentley: Okay.*

*Lt. White: Anything else for Mr. Wallace? Mr. Webb?*

*Mr. Webb: I don't think so. For the purpose of the board members in making their determination, this conscientious young man, he did do it, he did make two bad mistakes, but then realized it. I know lots of cops as well as many of y'all do, and there's a lot of them that just don't have this level of conscientiousness, and I think you'd want that as a member of your bunch.*

*Mr. Wallace: I am sorry for doing it.*

*Lt. White: When you reported it to your lieutenant Mr. Wallace, was it both the QNF and the QW or just for the QNF transactions? Did you let him know that you had ran two transactions?*

*Mr. Wallace: Yes, and the other lieutenant was aware as well.*

*Lt. White: Anything else?*

*Mr. Webb: I think that's good enough.*

*Lt. White: Ladies and gentlemen, you've heard the testimony of Mr. Wallace and his attorney. It is up to this board to either 1, uphold the director's decision or 2, overturn the director's decision, 3, put it under advisement until a later date, or whatever the board so decides. I will leave that to the will of this board for any recommendation and/or any motion. Is there any other discussion?*

*Mr. Bentley: If we were to give him access back, can it come with stipulations? And there are certain rules and regulations, training, things like that that can be required from this board?*

*Lt. White: Right, if the board so chooses. Correct me if I'm wrong, if there are stipulations of training and what have you, upon completion of that, that could be reported back to this board.*

*Ms. Mann: So, Mr. Chairman, with the way you explained it, we could either agree with Director Long's decision or overturn that. So, Director Long's currently decided no reinstatement?*

*Lt. White: At the moment, he (Director Long) has terminated his (Mr. Wallace) access and that's why he's (Mr. Wallace) here to appeal.*

*Ms. Mann: I just wanted to make sure.*

*Lt. White: Director Long, if he has anything to express, he can speak to the board.*

*Director Long: First of all, for y'all that don't know me, I've been in law enforcement for 30 years. When this came to my attention, I read the report, and I've made mistakes, we've all made mistakes. We own up to that and I agree with what his (Mr. Wallace) attorney said. The issues I was having with it, again it wasn't my decision, but when you violate policy, your access is revoked. It's really not my decision on that. One of the concerns I had was yes, he did self-report it and I talked to Rick about it. The guy made a mistake and self-reported, I was good with that. However, we had a conversation later, he called me one day and we had a conversation and that gathered him owning up to what he did wrong with his lieutenant, and the story changed. And the story I kept getting was that he did nothing wrong, he was within his jurisdiction, so he didn't see a problem with it. He didn't sell the information. I had to further say, well you did gain personal gain for it. So as this 30-minute conversation went on, he just kept denying that there was anything wrong with what he did. At that point, I said this needs more eyes than just me to say that you can get back on the system. I am good with the will of the board. I'm like you, I don't want to ruin this guy's career, but I knew that this was something that needed more than one person looking at it and saying, yes you violated it, but you can get back on the system. So, whenever you vote, you're not voting against me. I turn it over to you guys because I knew it was a decision that needed to be made by more than just me.*

*Mr. Bentley: Chairman, that brings me to a question for Mr. Wallace.*

*Lt. White: Go ahead.*

*Mr. Bentley: My question to you would be, when you had that conversation with the leadership of ACIC about this situation, did you change your story as to what had happened when you reported to your lieutenant that night? Did you change your reasoning behind why you ran the person in question?*

*Mr. Wallace: Not necessarily. So it was disclosed to me, and I think at the time I was thinking of running him, it was to pull him over it was suspended or something, which would've been personal. But I felt at the time it still would've been under authority that if he were under my jurisdiction and I seen him driving*

*suspended, I still have the authority to pull him over based on that, or if he had warrants. But the whole thing, now that I'm further away from it, just looks bad.*

*Mr. Bentley: But you self-reported knowing that you did wrong, but now you're trying to use the color of law that you believe that you had the right to be able to do that. If you feel as though you had the right, why did you self-report?*

*Mr. Wallace: It's hard for me to answer.*

*Mr. Webb: Do you mind if I phrase it a little different?*

*Mr. Bentley: Absolutely.*

*Mr. Webb: Did you know you did wrong when you did it?*

*Mr. Wallace: I knew I did.*

*Mr. Webb: When you were having that conversation with Director Long, well first, did you think you would be fired because you self-reported? That's just a 'yes' or 'no'.*

*Mr. Wallace: I did not think I was going to get fired.*

*Mr. Webb: But you did.*

*Mr. Wallace: I did.*

*Mr. Webb: So after that, would you describe your conversation with Director Long as trying to justify yourself?*

*Mr. Wallace: Yes*

*Mr. Webb: And like we typically, as human nature when we do something wrong, we try to make it right in our heads, some kind of way. Is that a fair assessment? Is that the stage you went through when you were fired?*

*Mr. Wallace: Yes, and to add on to that, when I saw the internal investigation report, which I had not saw yet, until right before I talked to Director Long, I noticed a lot of the extra stuff that had put in there that was not, I believe, what Mr. Stallings, that I was running people off duty?*

*Mr. Stallings: Yes, they said that you had the tag, Ada Hatch, I believe it was, when you were off duty.*

*Mr. Wallace: And they pulled my sergeant in and started questioning him, which I don't know why that was done. It just seemed like there was more there. And then at the time when they had asked me, I didn't even realize I was actually working those days. Until again, I was away from that situation. I just agreed with them telling me I wasn't working those days. Again, I was seeing a therapist at that time. I didn't know what dates I initially worked that month.*

*Mr. Bentley: Have you ever run anybody else that was not for law enforcement purposes?*

*Mr. Wallace: Not that I can think of.*

*Mr. Bentley: So, everybody that you ran, all dealt with a traffic stop or criminal case.*

*Mr. Wallace: Should have, yea.*

*Mr. Bentley: Should have or was?*

*Mr. Wallace: Was.*

*Lt. White: Sir, do you have anything else?*

*Mr. Webb: No, nothing further.*

*Lt. White: Anything else Mr. Wallace?*

*Mr. Wallace: No sir. Thank you.*

*Lt. White: So, what would be the will of this board? We can either uphold the director's decision to deny access or we can overturn that, and have access, and just be put under advisement. Or there could be some stipulations if we, as the board, grant him access, whatever those stipulations are, upon completion of those requirements, that that will be reported back to this board. Or if those requirements or stipulations aren't met, then it's whatever the will of this board decides to do. If that makes sense, I'm sorry, I'm not trying to confuse you.*

*Ms. Mann: I move that we uphold the director's decision.*

*Lt. White: So, we have a motion to uphold the director's decision by Ms. Mann.*

*Sheriff Nichols: I second that.*

*Lt. White: A second by Sheriff Nichols on Ms. Mann's motion. Is there any discussion on that motion?*

*Mr. Heffington: I'd like to discuss it. I'm a little sympathetic for a guy losing his job and he's got three kids. Perhaps maybe we can put stipulations like you were talking about. Maybe further training or something? A second chance is what I'm trying to say, maybe with some strings attached if that's possible. I'm just putting that out there.*

*Mr. Bentley: I'm going back and forth, that's my problem. As I'm sitting here as a background investigator, as a person that's been doing this for a number of years now. Yeah, we do make mistakes in life, but the multiples, and I know you would say it's not really multiples, it was all one transaction. But even if it was only 8 minutes away, it's still in your mind. And what happens the next time? That's where I'm having a little bit of a pull, back and forth. Because I know from even a background standpoint, as a background investigator, this brings character into question, when I'm looking at CLEST standards.*

*Lt. White: Is there any other discussion on the motion by Ms. Mann?*

**Deny Request to reinstate Mr. Wallace:**

**Motion to Deny:** Ms. Krystal Mann

**Seconded by:** Sheriff Ron Nichols



**Board Member Stipends:**

**Motion to Approve:** Mr. Howard Heffington

**Seconded by:** Sheriff Ron Nichols

**ACIC Division Reports:**

**Operations:**

*Rick Stallings:*

**Requests for Workstation Applications:**

- ✧ ***Alpena Police Department:*** MDT (Not in good standing, Recommends application be tabled)
- ✧ ***Cave City Police Department:*** MDT (No issues, Recommends approval)
- ✧ ***McRae Police Department:*** MDT (No issues, Recommends approval)
- ✧ ***Pleasant Plains Police Department:*** Limited Access (No issues, Recommends approval)
- ✧ ***Sulphur Springs Police Department:*** Full Access (No issues, Recommends approval)

**Approve Applications for: Cave Springs Police Department, McRae Police Department, Pleasant Plains Police Department, and Sulphur Springs Police Department**

**Motion to Approve:** Mr. Chris Bentley

**Seconded by:** Mr. Wayne Bewley

**Voting:** Unanimous

**Table Applications for: Alpena Police Department**

**Motion to Deny:** Mr. Wayne Bewley

**Seconded by:** Mr. Chris Bentley

**Voting:** Unanimous

*Karen Burgess:*

- Configured 215 workstations; 39 were messenger workstations and 176 Mobile Data Terminals
- 22 workstation removals; 15 were messenger workstations and 7 were server IDs
- 5 applications for direct access
- Processed 13 ORI requests; 9 were assigned, 1 reactivated, 2 retired, 1 pending
- Processed 1,364 hot files and 221 owner/lien holder requests in the last 3 months
- Completed 7 system audits and 9 CJIS IT audits
- 504 active missing persons in Arkansas on the website
- 1502 tokens issued in the last 3 months.
- 223 offline searches
- 194 missing females and 320 missing males for a total of 514 missing persons on the NCIC report.
- 97 unidentified persons

*Kristian Lanes:*

- Statistics for December 2023, January and February 2024
- Certified 1573 users during the quarter with CJIS Online Security Training with a 98.2% pass rate.
- Certified 12,609 vendors across the nation with a 99.2% pass rate.
- Basic online training:

- Module 1 Basic Testing 446 users tested, 89% pass rate
- Module 2 Basic Testing 577 users tested, 66.4%
- Module 3 Basic Testing 508 users tested, 74.2%
- Module 4 Basic Testing 613 users tested, 60.8%
- 1009 users took the Basic Refresher, with a 91.8% pass rate.
- Advanced training (New Testing Methods):
  - Day 1- 70 users tested with a 100% pass rate
  - Day 2- 71 users tested with a 100% pass rate, 1 Failed Day 2
  - Day 3- 71 users tested with a 98.6% pass rate
- 249 advanced users recertified, with a 90.4% pass rate.
- Training Emails:
  - December- 480
  - January- 844
  - February- 612 as of 2/27/2024
  - **Totalling** 1,936 emails for this quarter
- VINE had 87,584 new registrations.
- Delivered 404,444 VINE Notifications
  - 56,444 by phone
  - 213,225 by text
  - 134,303 by email
- JusticeXchange had 136,674 law enforcement searches.
- Investigators placed 8,754 watches; this yielded 4,664 hits on those watches.
- 6,452 DL photos viewed
- AlertXpress utilized 55 times during this quarter
- 36,775 actual logins to JX
- Pseudoephedrine purchases 31,610 (November not included)
- NPLeX blocked 1,656 attempts to buy pseudoephedrine (4,656 grams).
- Placed 68 watches with 0 hits
- Metal Theft tracking Program reported 52,514 tickets of 117,336 items scrapped.
- 3,073 of those tickets yielded a hit on reported stolen items.

*Ralph Ward:*

- Current NIBRS program status: there are 388 agencies cleared to request & report.
- Agencies and vendors are testing to certify their RMS.
- All 55 state parks have been added to NIBRS testing
- Working with RMS and software vendors with assisting law enforcement agencies with technical reporting issues.
- Law enforcement agencies contacted

**Special Services:**

*Paula Stitz: Sex Offender Registry*

- Sex offender Stats: 19,124 registered sex offenders on the registry as of February 26, 2024
  - Compliant sex offenders: 8,978
  - Delinquent sex offenders: 1,413
  - Incarcerated sex offenders: 3,782
  - Out-of-state sex offenders: 4,393
  - Address Unknown sex offenders: 147
  - Deported sex offenders: 207

- Incapacitated: 131
- Out of USA- 70
- Received SMART grant money: \$370,537 for training and hiring new employees

*Lajunda Bean: Criminal History*

- December 2023 – February 2024 (Quarterly Work Flow)
- Entered 10,339 records, verified 48,857 (23,862 Judgements verified, and 24,995 arrest submissions verified) 10,063 miscellaneous transactions. Totaling 69,259
- Criminal History records entered:10,339
- Criminal History records verified: 48,857
- Miscellaneous Criminal History transactions: 10,063
- Total Criminal History Transactions: 69,259
- Implementation of new mentorship for new hires, the “Buddy System”- pairing a new employee with a “seasoned” employee

**ISD:**

*Michael Tackett*

- *Sex Offender Project – enhancing the sex offender application*
- *AMF 2.0 enhancements*
- *DocuWare Solutions*
- *End user support- refreshing monitors, computers, and printers.*
- *Updating DPS IT Policy and Procedures update*

**Directorial Report:**

*Director Jeff Long:*

- Karen (Perry) says we’re within budget, then we’re within budget.

**Directors Report:**

- Forming better relationships and connections with shared services. Invited Karen Perry from Shared Services and Mike Moyer from Arkansas State Police to the board meeting
- ACIC Conference – budget, sponsors, increasing registration fees

*Director Long: I have some certificates here. Are you ready for photos? The first one is for Victoria Phillips for 10 years of service.*

*Director Long: We have such a good agency that people’s families work here. Stallings’ (Rick) mother worked here. I don’t know if you all remember, but he’s like a legend. Not the president, but Bill Clinton worked here and his son’s upstairs now, he works for us. To know you have an organization where you say hey, this is a good place to work even though it don’t pay much, and you let your kids work there. I think that’s important. So, Ms. Denise, come on up here. Ms. Gaynor is 20 years (employed with the state and ACIC) and she’s the mother of the lovely Kara Rice.*

*Director Long: I’ve learned through my bible reading, one thing to seek is wise counsel. Now one of the things I realized real quickly is she’s (Ms. Carolyn Cooley) going to give it to me whether I seek it or not.*

*Director Long: “We’ll get her (Cooley)later. Does anyone have anything else? Well, I have one last thing, this is my 1 year anniversary.”*

*Mr. Heffington: What is this scrap metal on?*

*Mr. Stallings: We have a system that records all of the scrap metal that's sold through a dealer. So, if you go to a scrap metal dealer, they're going to take a picture of your driver's license, the vehicle that you're bringing in, the license plate's number; they're recording all of that information for law enforcement to have access in their investigation of metal theft.*

*Mr. Heffington: Do we get revenue from that?*

*Mr. Stallings: No, we do not. Part of that system provides a report to law enforcement that says, this is how many items have been scrapped with dealers.*

*Director Long: Come over here Ms. Cooley. I respect her and she's one of the senior people here. So we'd like to recognize you for 20 years of service.*

*Ms. Cooley: Do I get to make a speech?*

*Director Long: Yeah, go right ahead.*

*Ms. Cooley: I am so grateful to the state of Arkansas, definitely ACIC, for allowing me to enjoy 20 years. I served at the King's Commission for about 2 years, and 18 years here. It has been a wonderful experience for me and I thank God for everyone who has played a part in allowing me to do what I do. To me, with ACIC, it's a ministry. We're trying to help people correct their lives. And I thank everyone who has given me the opportunity, to serve. God bless everyone.*

*Lt. White: Thank you, Mr. Director. In addition to what Paula was saying about the employees here, I have been honored to know many of them personally as I'm entering my 16<sup>th</sup> year here on this board. I want to congratulate you (Director Long) on your first year. I think you're doing an amazing job. I can't say enough about these people here. Definitely a group to be proud of. It's an honor for me to be part of it.*

*Lt. White: Is there any other business to be brought before this board?*



**Adjournment: (11:19am)**

**Motion to Approve:** Howard Heffington

**Second by:** Chris Bentley

**Voting:** Unanimous

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ACIC Director

5/24/2024

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Date