



Committee On Training

Patrick Henry Building
West Reading Room
1111 E. Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219

MINUTES

June 11, 2026

Members Present

Superintendent William Smith-Chair
Mr. D. Bradley Marshall-Vice Chair
Ms. Renee Maxey-Vice Chair
Chief Stephen Keatts
Captain Clifford Kincaid
Ms. Corrine Mastronardi
Sheriff Bradford "Chip" Schuler
The Honorable C.H. "Chuck" Slemp, III (Zoom)
Mr. Sherard Tisdale
Mr. John Vithoulikas

Members Absent

Mr. Adam Blevins
Sheriff Jeremy Falls
Ms. Maria Jankowski (Proxy Tim Coyne)
Ms. Jennifer Mays
Sheriff Michael Miller
Ms. Alisa Padden (proxy for Karl R. Hade)
The Honorable Kristin Reid
The Honorable Anthony Williams

**Sharon Duncan attended for Jennifer Mays*

1. Call to Order.

Superintendent William Smith called the Committee on Training (COT) meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

1a. Roll Call-Zoom Participants and reasons for virtual participation:

- The Honorable C.H. "Chuck" Slemp, III: scheduling conflict
- Note:* After the initial roll call there was not a quorum present; a brief recess was taken; 10:05am the meeting was again called to order as a few more members had arrived. The committee meeting prior to the COT meeting ran a few minutes over.
- A subsequent roll call confirmed a quorum was present.

2. Approval of past minutes.

A motion to approve the minutes as submitted was made by Ms. Renee Maxey and seconded by Mr. Bradley Marshall. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Division Update.

Richard Collins, DCJS Law-Enforcement Division Director, provided an update on recent activities within the division.

Mr. Collins formally introduced himself to the Board as the newly appointed Director of the Law-Enforcement Division. He expressed his commitment to building upon the foundation already laid and recognized his predecessor, Harvey Powers.

Mr. Collins provided updates on the publishing of the Basic Law-Enforcement model curriculum and recognized the Curriculum Development Team for the work that has gone into accomplishing this, noting that Crater Criminal Justice Training Academy and Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy will be pilot sites, starting in July.

Mr. Collins advised that online testing in TRACER has progressed to the testing phase, bringing things one step closer to modernizing both training and testing. He recognized Frank Pitzer, Amy Sink, Doug Scales and Dawn Wright for their exceptional work on this initiative.

Mr. Collins shared some promising workforce data. As of May 1, 2023, there were 21,414 certified law-enforcement officers in Virginia. Today, that stands at 23,892 officers. Jail Officers increased by approximately two percent, and the emergency communications workforce grew by approximately 10 percent. Despite the numerous staffing challenges nationwide, Virginia continues to move in a positive direction.

The division has received 85 decertification submissions YTD. For comparison, there were 181 submission in 2025. The Executive Committee has not heard any formal appeal cases since the last COT meeting.

There department also maintains an active regulatory agenda focused on implementing legislative mandates, modernizing training standards, and conducting periodic reviews of existing regulations.

Mr. Collins recognized the continued success of the Virginia Law-Enforcement Professional Standards Commission (VLEPSC). At the commission's last meeting in May, there were 5 agencies that appeared before the commission for re-accreditation. All 5 agencies met the required standards. Virginia now has 114 accredited law-enforcement agencies participating in the VLEPC program.

-End of LE Division report.

4. Old Business

Superintendent Smith reported that there was no old business.

5. New Business

1. Certification of Certified Crime Prevention Community-City of Buena Vista

Tina Sumpter, DCJS, requested the City of Buena Vista be certified as a Certified Crime Prevention Community after having met all the required objectives for certification. A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mr. Bradley Marshall, seconded by Ms. Corrine Mastronardi. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Clements addressed the Board on behalf of the City of Buena Vista.

2. Re-Certification of Certified Crime Prevention Community-County of Henrico

Tina Sumpter, DCJS, requested the County of Henrico be re-certified as a Certified Crime Prevention Community after having met all the required objectives for re-certification. A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Chief Stephen Keatts, seconded by Ms. Renee Maxey. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. John Vithoukas abstained as the County Manager for the County of Henrico. Billy Moffett, Crime Prevention Manager, addressed the Board.

3. Re-Certification of Certified Crime Prevention Community-Westmoreland County

Tina Sumpter, DCJS, requested Westmoreland County be re-certified as a Certified Crime Prevention Community after having met all the required objectives for re-certification. A motion to approve the recommendation was made by Mr. Bradley Marshall, seconded by Sheriff Schuler. The motion passed unanimously.

Sheriff Balderson addressed the Board, recognizing his team-Capt. Jones and Sgt. Smith.

6. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

7. Next Meeting.

October 8, 2026 @ 10:00 A.M.

8. Adjournment

Superintendent Smith asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting which was made by Ms. Renee Maxey, seconded by Mr. Bradley Marshall. The meeting concluded at 10:37 A.M.

Approved: _____ Date: _____
Chair