

CONN PAC MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 1, 2021

Location: ZOOM

Attendees: Avon, Berlin, Bethel, Branford, Bridgeport, CALEA, Clinton, Coventry, CSP, Danbury, East Hampton, East Hartford, Encon, Enfield, Granby, Groton City, Guilford, Judicial Marshalls Academy, Madison, Manchester, Norwalk, POSTC, Simsbury, State Capitol Police, UCONN, Wallingford, Westport, Willimantic, and Windsor.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of February 4, 2021 meeting presented for review. Motion made by POSTC and seconded by Coventry to accept minutes as presented. Vote: Unanimous.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report presented by J. Parker. Balance is \$7,801.75. Motion to accept the report as presented made and seconded by Coventry and seconded by Wallingford. Vote: Unanimous.

Old Business:

Accreditation Onsite & Mocks: J. Race stresses the need for in-person on-sites for the agencies that have had their CALEA on-sites virtually prior to next reaccreditation. A virtual tour is not the same as assessors walking around looking.

On-sites Completed: CALEA Reaccredited at March Conference: Guilford, Madison and POSTC

Mocks: Bridgeport needs an in-person mock 2nd or 3rd week of May
State Capitol has 3rd year review in April and 4th year in September
UCONN looking for an August Mock for October onsite
Norwalk will be looking for mock for a November onsite.

POSTC Update: Appears that legislature may be backing off the CALEA, but likely require Tier III State by January 1, 2025. Discussion over CONNPACs role in State Accreditation process and reality of POSTC being able to accommodate the influx of agencies into the State program. CONNPAC was not formed become assessors for the State program. Its primary function and purpose is to help each other by through meetings and Mocks. CONNPAC does not have capacity to perform mocks for non-member agencies nor to perform as voluntary State Assessors. This information was relayed through POSTC and Task force prior to the Police Accountability Act being implemented. J. Race reminds everyone that CONNPAC mock assessors are all volunteer and will get through the files they can on the day of the mock. They are under no obligation to get through all the files or continue to go through files after the day of the mock. He additionally reminds agencies to send him the names of those who did their mock as there is a requirement to participate in other mocks prior to requesting a mock.

CALEA update: All assessments will be virtual through the end of 2021 as well as the

July 2021 conference. No decision has been made on the November 2021 conference yet.

Standards updates from the March 2021 conference that should be reviewed:

1.2.10 Duty to Intervene: clarified language regarding training and authority and that civilians are not expected to physically intervene. New language is effective immediately.

Vascular Neck Restraint: If you allow, you need to train. If you do not allow, it is N/A. New language effective immediately.

Job Task Analysis is now just Job Analysis

33.3.4 Reserve deleted and Entry level training and Lateral transfers

74.3.1 Commentary added related to no knock warrants.

There are currently multiple standards in review. P. McMillian urges everyone to go to the Client side of the CALEA website and in the SIRC Forum, comments can be made. The committee does read and take comments into consideration.

New Business:

Thomas J Pyrcz "Spirit of Accreditation Award" Award: Chief Palmer offered to draft guidelines. Anyone interested in helping should email J. Race.

Westport asked if anyone is familiar with IA training for civilian review boards. J. Race advised Daigle has had civilians in some of his IA classes although not exclusively for civilians. T. Kulhawik advised New Haven or Hartford recently did some type of training but unsure if it was done by New Haven or outside instructor.

Motion to adjourn made by Bridgeport and seconded by Groton City.

Next Meeting July 3, 2021. Location TBD