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Fair and Impartial Committee Meeting June 11, 2021

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Members Present: Major Justin Stedman, Etan Nasreddin-Longo, Captain Julie Scribner, Christopher Louras, Gregg Jager, Amanda Garces, Director Xusana Davis

Members Absent: Tabitha Moore, Director Karen Tronsgard-Scott

Other Peoples Present: Marcia Daoudi, Ian Louras

Academy Representatives: Executive Director Heather Simons, Director of Training Cindy Taylor-Patch, Training Coordinator Jennifer Firpo, Technology and Program Technician James Park

Meeting called to order: 10:21 AM

Approval of the April 9 Meeting Minutes.

- Motion to accept the minutes as is made by Christopher Louras.
 - Motion Seconded by Amanda Garces.
 - **Motion passed unanimously.**

Old Business

- **Fair and Impartial concepts for instruction areas**
 - Training Coordinator Jennifer Firpo shared with the Committee the information that had been submitted to date.
 - After a brief review, the Committee felt it was best to postpone discussion on this topic until more members had a chance to submit their ideas.
 - **No action needed**



New Business

- **RFP Update**
 - Training Coordinator Jennifer Firpo informed the Committee that the grant RFP interviews have taken place and the process is moving forward.
 - **Informational, no action needed.**
- **July meeting date conflict.**
 - Training Coordinator Jennifer Firpo informed the Committee that the July meeting date fell during midterm scenarios for the current Level III Basic Training class and was unsure if she would be available.
 - After confirming with Executive Director Heather Simons, the Committee can meet without its academy representative present.
 - The Committee will be meeting on its scheduled meeting date.
 - **No action needed.**
- **Proposed Updates to Model Fair and Impartial Policing Policy**
 - Major Justin Stedman brought to the Committee's attention that a working group created by the previous iteration of the Vermont Criminal Justice Council has continued to work on updates to the model Fair and Impartial Policing policy.
 - Captain Julie Scribner who is a member of said working group informed the Committee that they will be ready to present the work that they have done to the Committee on the next meeting date
 - **Informational, no action needed.**

Public Comment

- Marcia Daoudi asked the Committee what if anything members of the public were entitled to. Specifically, they asked if it was possible for them get a copy of the Fair and Impartial Policing Model Policy and the proposed updates so that they might be more informed for the next meeting.
- Training Coordinator Jennifer Firpo informed that that she would take their contact information and look into the matter.
 - **No action needed**

Motion to adjourn.

- Captain Julie Scribner made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- Motion seconded Amanda Garces
 - **Motion passed with Unanimously.**

Meeting Adjourned: 11:20AM

