

VCJC Canine Subcommittee Minutes Agenda

Agenda for May 01, 2024 (01:00 PM - 02:00 PM)

In attendance: Chief Dodge, Scott Dunlap, Dave Dewey, Rich Slusser, Jeremy Perkins, Mark Redmond

Staff member present: Kim McManus

No members of the public present

Call to order: 1:15pm

Added to general discussion

PT test

Update on assessment.

Motion to accept the April minutes by Scott Dunlop, second by Rich Slusser – all in agreement.

Canine instructor update

Short update provided – contract is not signed yet but anticipated to be soon.

Standards update:

Review of edits

Dewey to work with Snyder on the firearms section to format same as the rest of document

Bite review section – language edit

Conversation about Inservice Instructor hours – the strain on smaller departments to meet the hours currently recommended plus having the required hours at the academy vs the need for instructors to stay current on what is being taught at the canine basic courses.

Dogs and handlers that were trained with different methodology than what may be taught at future basic training schools need to be grandfathered in; cannot retrain dogs

Kim to provide language to provide some flexibility in language so that in service can be customized for dogs trained differently and also to accommodate not needing to physically be at the academy for all the days required in the Standards.

Quarterly Documents

Handler training paperwork to move to be submitted quarterly, rather than monthly.



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KTM to send memo around to make clear for handlers.

Cooper

Rowing

Create own?

Committee would like to create its own.

KTM Request that the test be written up and posted on VCJC website beforehand

Motion to adjourn – Jeremy Perkins motion, Mark Redmond seconded. – 2:25

Next meeting: June 3, 2024 at 1pm