



Vermont Criminal Justice Council

RULES COMMITTEE: Minutes

May 17, 2023

May 17, 2023
9:00 AM
Teams Meeting

Members in Attendance:

Cassandra Burdyslaw
Christopher Louras
Brian Searles
Bill Sorrell
Sheriff Mark Anderson

Members Absent:

Other Attendees:

Kim McManus – Attorney, Vermont Criminal Justice Council
Heather Simons – Executive Director, Vermont Criminal Justice Council
Christopher Brickell – Deputy Director, Vermont Criminal Justice Council

Call to order:

Burdyslaw called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM

Motion to Approve the Minutes from the May 10, 2023 Committee Meeting:

Sorrell moved to approve the minutes. Anderson seconded. The minutes were approved.

Discussion of proposed rules:

1. Training Discussion

Simons stated that courses we include in the rules should communicate who the Council is and where the Council is headed. The Council is focused on having evidence-based, 21st Century training. Anderson stated that Fair and Impartial Policing should not necessarily be a standalone course but should be embedded in all courses.

Simons stated that the Council cannot be expected to approve every course; the Council wanted to delegate training review to the executive director. Sorrell stated that it does not make sense for every decision to go to the Council. Anderson stated that the content of some training should not be widely disseminated, such as training about drug interdiction.

The Committee agreed to remove Rule 13(a) except for the last sentence and to remove Rule 13(d). Burdyslaw will incorporate the changes.



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Next meeting:

June 20, 2023, 10:30 AM

Potential Future Agenda Items:

Discussion of proposed changes

Motion to Adjourn:

Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting. Sorrell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 AM.