



Vermont Criminal Justice Council Agenda

March 17, 2021 (10:00 to 12:00)

Call to Order: *(VCJC Chair Bill Sorrell)*

Review of February 17, 2021 VCJC minutes

Action Item: Approval of minutes *(Bill Sorrell)*

Interim Executive Director updates: *(Bill Sheets)*

Director of Training Updates: *(Cindy Taylor-Patch)*

Upcoming Recruit class / Academy Schedule

Employment Opportunities

Director of Administration Updates: *(Lindsay Thivierge)*

Overview of web site changes

Forms updates

Action item: VCJC Co-Vice Chair Next Steps *(Bill Sorrell)*

FIP Policy Review *(David Scherr)*

Ad Hoc Committee work from VCJTC

RFP's *(Bill Sorrell)*

FIP Training

VCJC Sub-Committees *(Facilitated by: Cindy Taylor-Patch)*

Highway Safety Sub-Committee (VPA Training Coordinators Chris Conway and Ken Hawkins)

Sub-Committee Chair, Lieutenant Kevin Geno

Canine Sub-Committee (VPA Training Coordinator Robert Ryan)

Sub-Committee Chair, Corporal David Dewey

Professional Regulation sub-committee *(Chris Brickell)*

All VCJC hearings related to Professional Regulation will be held separately from our monthly VCJC meetings.

Working Group Discussion *(Interim Executive Director: Bill Sheets)*



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VCJC Council Rules Working Group

We need additional VCJC members to assist this working group.

Entrance Testing Requirements Working Group *(Cindy Taylor Patch)*

Military Equipment Working Group

We to solicit additional VCJC interest for this working group.

Model Body Camera Policy Working Group *(language from S. 124)*

****Law Enforcement Agencies must adopt this policy by 1/1/2022 20VSA§2369**

The Council shall recommend a model body camera policy for use by law enforcement agencies and officers. After consulting with the Secretary of State, the Human Rights Commission, the American Civil Liberties Union, statewide racial justice groups, statewide groups representing individuals with lived experience of a mental health condition or psychiatric disability, and other interested parties, the Council shall specifically recommend policies for responding to public records requests for body camera footage, including any recommended timelines to respond, how and what footage should be redacted, length of footage retention, and storage.

Facial Recognition Technology Working Group *(language from S. 124)*

Facial recognition technology. After analyzing any law enforcement needs to use facial recognition technology, analyzing any potential inaccuracies or other limitations in the capacities of that technology, including implicit biases, and an opportunity for community involvement and feedback, the Council shall recommend a statewide policy on law enforcement officers' acquisition and use of facial recognition technology, in light of the moratorium set forth in Sec. 14 of this act. If the Council will recommend the authority for officers to acquire and use facial recognition technology, the Council shall recommend a plan to mitigate any implicit bias that results from the use of that technology.

Testimony update

Testimony expectations following crossover

American Rescue Plan requests

Open discussion

Action Item: Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting date: April 21, 2021 at 10:00