

**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION**

**Wednesday, June 12, 2024
8:00 AM CDT / 7:00 AM MDT
Conference Room 414 - State Capitol Building**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the South Dakota Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Training Commission will hold a meeting on Wednesday June 12, 2024 at 8:00 AM Central Daylight Time / 7:00 AM Mountain Daylight Time.

The meeting's location is being held in a physically accessible place. Persons who have special needs for which the Commission can make arrangements are asked to call (605) 773-4624 at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

TELECONFERENCE INFORMATION

This meeting of the Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Training Commission can be accessed via the web-link below (Microsoft Teams) or by calling the phone number and utilizing the meeting ID below.

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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Review Minutes**
 - a. April 16, 2024 Meeting
- 4. Public Comment**
- 5. 9 am Hearing - Kevin Curtis**
- 6. Consent Agenda**

Matters appearing on the Consent Agenda are expected to be non-controversial and will be acted upon by the Commission at one time, without discussion. At the request of any one Commission member, the Chairman, or the Executive Secretary, an item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the regular agenda whenever additional discussion on an item is necessary. Items removed from the Consent Agenda will be discussed at the beginning of the formal items.

- a. Reciprocity Certification Requests (*Outlined in Attachment A*)
 - b. Canine Team Certifications (*Outlined in Attachment B*)
- 7. Basic Eligibility Request**
- 8. Basic Reinstatement Requests**
- 9. Certification Reinstatement Requests**
- 10. Grant Request**
- 11. Reciprocity Exam Waiver**
- 12. Complaint Dispositions**

13. Commission Information

14. Adjourn

ATTACHMENT A

Reciprocity Law Enforcement Certification Requests

Frerer, Caleb – Spearfish Police Department

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 87.5%

- Completed the 585-hour Phoenix Regional Police Academy Basic Peace Officer Course approved by the Arizona POST, 9/2020 - 1/2021.
- Training is equivalent.
- Arizona law enforcement employment from 06/2020 to 10/2023.
- Completed skills and classroom requirements during the April 15-19, 2024, reciprocity training week.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification

Widicker Rick - Brookings Police Department

Completed the reciprocity exam in 03/2024 - 89%

- Completed the 703-hour Peace Officer Training approved by the North Dakota POST in 5/2002. He is in good standing with the State of North Dakota, there are no adverse license actions on his license.
- Training/curriculum is equivalent.
- North Dakota law enforcement employment from 05/2002 to 10/2023
- Completed skills and classroom requirements during the April 15 - 19, 2024, reciprocity training week.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification

Alobaidi, Tarek - Southeast Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 74.5%

- Completed the Southeast Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification contingent on being hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Branton, Vance - Lincoln Co SO

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 86.5%

- Completed the Southeast Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Hired by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office 5-21-2024.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification

Getchell, Rebecca Paige - Southeast Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 75%

- Completed the Southeast Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification upon 21 years of age and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Horst, Mitchell - Southeast Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 81.50%

- Completed the Southeast Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Schmidt, July - Turner Co SO

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 82.5%

- Completed the Southeast Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Hired by the Turner County Sheriff 's Office 5/13/2024.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification

Smiley, Ashton - Southeast Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 4/2024 - 75%

- Completed the Southeast Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Attended the May 6-7 2024, skills testing.
- Eligible for certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement within two years of graduation.

Anderson, Konner - Lake Area Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 80%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation

Donbroski, Trevor - Brookings PD

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 79%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Hired by the Brookings Police Department 5/21/2024.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification.

Goebel, Anthony - Lake Area Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 85.5%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation

Hardin, Samuel - Lake Area Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 81%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Jacobson, Kelby - Lake Area Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 86.5%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Johnson, Braeden - Milbank Police Department

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 79.5%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification

Lester, Benjamin - Lake County Sheriff's Office

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 81.5%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification

McGaugh, Darin - Lake Area Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 79.5%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Torguson, Samantha - Lake Area Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 76.5%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Winnett, David - Lake Area Technical College

Completed the reciprocity exam in 04/2024 - 82%

- Completed the Lake Area Technical College Law Enforcement Program in May 2024
- Completed the May 6-7, 2024, reciprocity skills requirements,
- Eligible for certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

Staff recommendation: Grant reciprocity certification upon 21 years of age, and when hired by a law enforcement agency within two years of graduation.

ARSD 2:01:06:03. Reciprocity. The Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Training Commission may waive any portion of the training program requirement of § 2:01:06:01, except firearms, emergency vehicle operations course, use of force, and the written reciprocity examination, upon formal application of a person requesting the waiver. The application must show that the person has completed a basic law enforcement certification course of equivalent content and quality in another jurisdiction no more than two years prior to the date of the appointment or has been employed within the prior two years as a fully empowered certified law enforcement officer in another jurisdiction and has completed a basic law enforcement certification course of equivalent content and quality. The commission's executive secretary shall administer to the applicant a written examination to determine the applicant's state of competence. Upon completion of the examination, the executive secretary or designee must notify the applicant of the training to be completed before the applicant may be certified. After the applicant successfully completes the required training and if the applicant meets the minimum standards for certification of § 2:01:02:01, the commission must issue the applicant a certificate as a certified law enforcement officer.

ATTACHMENT B
Canine team certification requests

NAME	DEPARTMENT	Certification Date	Certification	Renewal New Team
Michael Varilek / Zigi	Corson Co SO	4-11-2024	Drug Detection	New K9
Paperwork received 4-15-24	Completion date 4-11-24			
Shannon Rojo / Chena	OST Dept. of Public Safety	4-3-2024	Drug Detection	Renewal
Paperwork received 4-17-24	Completion date 4-3-24			
Wesley Bowsher / Tango	Grant Co SO	4-11-2024	Drug Detection	Renewal
Paperwork received 4-18-24	Completion date 4-11-24			
Kory Kellen / Debo	Deuel Co SO	4-11-2024	Drug Detection	New K9
Paperwork received 4-18-24	Completion date 4-11-24			
Charles Wilderson / Szakal	Brookings Co SO	4-11-2024	Drug Detection	New
Paperwork received 4-18-24	Completion date 4-11-2024			
Peter Schmeling / Khaos	Perkins Co SO	4-11-2024	Drug Detection	New
Paperwork received 4-22-24	Completion date 4-11-2024			
William Moran / Ontario	BIA	4-11-2024	Drug Detection	Renewal
Paperwork received 5-01-24	Completion date 4-11-2024			
Mitchell Morgan / Koa	Lake Norden PD	4-11-2024	Drug Detection	New
Paperwork received 5-06-24	Completion date 4-11-2024			
Matthew Geppert / Delta	Department of Corrections	4-22-2024	Corrections	Renewal
Paperwork received 5-09-24	Completion date 4-22-2024			
Cody Jansen / Jak	SD Highway Patrol	5-9-2024	Explosive Detection	New
Paperwork received 5-13-24	Completion date 5-9-2024			
Brandon Neitzert / Comrade	DCI	5-22-2024	Accelerant Detection	Renewal
Paperwork received 5-28-24	Completion date 5-22-2024			

Staff recommendation: Grant canine team certification in accordance with listed type and status.