

# POST COUNCIL MEETING

**September 16, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**

Public Safety Education & Training Center  
410 West 9800 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Council Room  
Sandy, UT 84070

## Agenda

- ❖ Welcome: Chairman Kelly Sparks
- ❖ Approval of June 24, 2025 Minutes: Chairman Kelly Sparks
- ❖ Quarterly Reports: Cpt. Christian Newlin & Lt. Terry Buck
- ❖ 2025-2026 Quarter Two Curriculum Update: John Jacobs
  - Special Function Officer/Law Enforcement Officer
- ❖ Annual Training Audit Report: John Jacobs
- ❖ Disciplinary Cases: Attorney Marcus Yockey
  - David Adams
  - Bruce Armstrong
  - Brandon Beecher
  - Alan Bliss
  - Joseph Deim
  - Shawn Dela Cruz
  - Hope Groesbeck
  - Jacob Hager
  - Zachary Hurst
  - Christopher Jackson
  - Eli Jensen
  - Mason Meacham
  - Kaitlen Nelson
  - Brendan Nissen
  - Allison O'Bryan
  - David Penrod
  - Christopher Plant
  - Brandon Roberts
  - Sharytza Salgado-Ocasio

- Hayden Sanderson
- Alexander Savage
- Kingston Taukei'aho
- Patrick Valadez
- Savo Vukovic
- Tyler Young

❖ Schedule Next Meeting:

❖ Adjourn

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## Attendance Roster

**The following POST Council members were in attendance:**

Sheriff Kelly Sparks, Chairman, Davis County Sheriff's Office  
Chief Allen Swanson, Vice Chairman, Layton City Police Department  
Colonel Mike Rapich, Superintendent, Utah Highway Patrol  
Nate Mutter, Proxy for Stewart Young, Representing Utah Attorney General  
Mike Schoenfeld, Proxy for Jared Garcia, Executive Director, Utah Department of Corrections  
Chief Brian Gwilliam, Utah Chiefs of Police Association  
Sheriff Paul Wimmer, Utah Sheriffs Association  
Molly Sween, PhD. Weber State University  
Maile Loo, At Large  
Jeanetta Williams, At Large  
David Petersen, At Large  
Chief Darin Adams, Cedar City Police Department  
Sheriff Nathan Curtis, Sevier County Sheriff's Office  
Mayor Troy Walker, Incumbent Mayor

**The following POST Council members were excused or absent:**

John Crowley, UPOA Representative

**POST staff present:**

Travis Rees, Director  
Christian Newlin, Deputy Director  
Marcus Yockey, DPS Legal Counsel representing POST, Asst. Attorney General  
Richard Jorgensen, DPS Legal Counsel representing POST Council, Asst. Attorney General  
Keenan Price, DPS Legal Counsel representing POST, Asst. Attorney General  
Julie Gomez, Administrative Secretary  
Terry Buck, Basic Training  
Dave Barnett, Investigations  
James Timpson, Investigations  
Austin O'Bray, Investigations  
Dan Young, Investigations  
Jonathon Boyd, Investigations  
Reed Motzkus, Investigations  
John Jacobs, Technology and Curriculum  
Chris Fielding, Technology and Curriculum  
Camille Zabriskie, Investigations Technician  
Chelsi Nielsen, Curriculum  
Katie Colton, Curriculum  
Jamie Benzon, Basic Training  
Jackie Cahoon, Basic Training  
Blaine Ibey, Basic Training

**Others present:**

Dave Brooks  
Savo Vukovic  
Tyler Young  
Bruce Armstrong  
Nathan Evershed  
Jason Sweat  
Matt Barlow  
Brandon Roberts  
Patrick Valadez  
Kaitlen Nelson  
Christopher Jackson  
JC Jensen  
David Adams  
Cecile Delozier  
Shawn Smith  
Cameron Paul  
Jacob Hager  
Kingston Taukei'aho  
Hayden Sanderson  
Spencer Killian  
Christopher Simmler

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## Actions and Voting

### **Approval of June 24, 2025 Minutes:**

**David Petersen: Motion to approve with the addition of his name being added to the attendance roster**

**Paul Wimmer: 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All PC members in attendance were in favor**

### **Disciplinary Cases:**

**David Adams (Adams and his attorney Nathan Evershed addressed the Council)**

**Michael Rapich: Motion to accept POST's recommendation**

**Darin Adams: 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Brian Gwilliam who recused himself**

**Bruce Armstrong (Armstrong addressed the Council. His attorney Jason Sweat was present)**

**Nathan Curtis: Motion to accept POST recommendation**

**David Petersen: 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Allen Swanson who recused himself**

### **Brandon Beecher**

**Nathan Curtis: Motion to accept POST's recommendation**

**Paul Wimmer: 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All PC members in attendance voted in favor**

### **Alan Bliss**

**Brian Gwilliam: Motion to accept POST's recommendation**

**Paul Wimmer: 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Mike Schoenfeld who recused himself**

### **Joseph Deim**

**Darin Adams: Motion to accept POST recommendation**

**Allen Swanson: 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**All PC members in attendance voted in favor**

**Shawn Dela Cruz****Mike Rapich: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Nathan Curtis: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor****Hope Groesbeck (Attorney Jason Sweat addressed the Council)****Allen Swanson: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Troy Walker: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor**

**\*Council Member Jeannetta Williams joined the meeting. She did not vote on any actions prior to this\***

**Jacob Hager (addressed the Council)****Brian Gwilliam: Motion to reject POST recommendation and instead issue a 2-year suspension****Michael Rapich: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Molly Sween who opposed****Zackary Hurst****Darin Adams: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Paul Wimmer: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Mike Schoenfeld who recused himself****Christopher Jackson (Jackson and his attorney JC Jensen addressed the Council)****Troy Walker: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Brian Gwilliam: 2nd****All PC members in attendance were in favor****Eli Jensen****Allen Swanson: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Molly Sween: 2<sup>nd</sup>****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Nathan Curtis who recused himself****Mason Meacham****David Petersen: Motion to reject POST recommendation and instead revoke Harmon's certification****Troy Walker: 2<sup>nd</sup>****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Mike Schoenfeld who recused himself****Kaitlen Nelson (Nelson addressed the Council)****Paul Wimmer: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Troy Walker: 2<sup>nd</sup>****All PC members in attendance voted in favor****Brendan Nissen (Attorney Jason Sweat addressed the Council)****Brian Gwilliam: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Nathan Curtis: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Mike Schoenfeld who recused himself**

**Allison O'Bryan****Troy Walker: Motion to accept POST recommendation****David Petersen: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor****David Penrod****Michael Rapich: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Darin Adams: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Paul Wimmer who recused himself****Christopher Plant****Allen Swanson: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Nate Mutter: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Troy Walker who recused himself****Brandon Roberts (Roberts attorney JC Jensen addressed the Council)****Nathan Curtis: Motion to accept POST recommendation****David Petersen: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with exception of Paul Wimmer who recused himself****Sharytza Salgado-Ocasio****Darin Adams: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Nathan Curtis: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor****Hayden Sanderson (Sanderson and his attorney Jason Sweat addressed the Council)****Nathan Curtis: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Paul Wimmer: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor****Alexander Savage****Brian Gwilliam: Motion to accept POST recommendation****David Petersen: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Paul Wimmer who recused himself****Kingston Taukei'aho (Taukei'aho addressed the Council)****Troy Walker: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Allen Swanson: Substitute Motion reject POST recommendation and instead issue a letter of caution****Troy Walker: Withdrew his original motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion for a letter of caution****All PC members in attendance voted in favor****Savo Vukovic (Vukovic and his attorney Shaun Smith addressed the Council)****Brian Gwilliam: Motion to accept POST recommendation****Nathan Curtis: 2nd****All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Allen Swanson who recused himself**

**Tyler Young (Young and his attorney Jason Sweat addressed the Council)**  
**Chairman Sparks recused himself and turned it over to Vice Chair Allen Swanson**  
**Michael Rapich: Motion to accept POST recommendation**  
**Paul Wimmer: 2nd**  
**All PC members in attendance voted in favor**

**Patrick Valadez (Valadez and his attorney Jason Sweat addressed the Council)**  
**Nathan Curtis: Motion to go into closed session\***  
**Allen Swanson: 2nd**  
**All PC members in attendance voted in favor**

**\*closed meeting affidavit signed by Chairman Sparks**

**Allen Swanson: Motion to return to open meeting**  
**Troy Walker: 2nd**  
**All PC members in attendance voted in favor**

**Nate Mutter: Motion to accept POST recommendation**  
**Paul Wimmer: 2nd**  
**All PC members in attendance voted in favor with the exception of Maile Loo who recused herself**

**Schedule next meeting: December 3, 2025 at 10:00 am at POST**

## CLOSED MEETING AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF UTAH )  
                  )  
                  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF SALT LAKE )

I, Kelly Sparks, state the following to be true to the best of my knowledge:

1. I am currently the presiding officer of the Post Council, a public body of the State of Utah.

2. On the 16 day of September 2025, the above referenced public body voted, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, to close the meeting of said public body pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 52-45-204 through 206.

3. I hereby certify that the sole purpose for closing the meeting was to discuss:

X The character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; or

       The deployment of security personnel, devices or systems.

4. I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

EXECUTED this 16 day of September 2025, in Sandy City, Salt Lake County, State of Utah.

Kelly Sparks