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DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF

AND

OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

(Deputies' Unit)

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ARTICLE 1 - PREAMBLE

This Agreement is entered into this 1st day of January, 2011, between the Delaware County Sheriff and the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association ("OPBA" or "union"), to establish the wages, hours, terms, and conditions of employment between the parties. The parties intend the terms of this Agreement to supersede any Ohio Revised Code provision on the subjects. The responsibility of the Sheriff with regard to this Agreement is limited to his authority as established by the laws of Ohio.

ARTICLE 2 - RECOGNITION

2.1 The Sheriff hereby recognizes the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association as the sole and exclusive representative for all employees included within the Bargaining Unit described in Section B of this Article on matters related to wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment, and the continuation, modification or deletion of an existing provision in this Agreement, and the solution of questions arising under this Agreement.

2.2 Bargaining Unit. The Bargaining Unit shall include all Deputy Sheriffs and Detectives (hereinafter referred to as Deputies) who are below the rank of Sergeant, and excludes the Sheriff, Chief Deputies, Majors, Captains, Lieutenants, Sergeants and all personnel not sworn in accordance with Ohio Revised Code, Section 311.04.

2.3 Bulletin Boards. The Sheriff will provide OPBA bulletin boards in the following locations: one in the Squad Room and one in each substation. Only OPBA bulletins will be permitted to be posted on the boards.

2.4 Ballot Boxes. The OPBA shall be permitted, upon prior notification to the Sheriff, to place a ballot box in the squad room for the purpose of collecting members' ballots on all OPBA issues subject to ballot. Such box shall be the property of the OPBA and neither the ballot box nor its contents shall be subject to review by the office.

2.5 Use of Intra-Department Mails. The OPBA shall be permitted to utilize the intra-departmental mail system (pigeon-holes) for the purpose of providing information pertaining to OPBA business or Bargaining Unit representation to Bargaining Unit Members. The OPBA agrees that the use of the mail system will be reasonable and limited to providing information that is necessary for the normal conduct of OPBA business or Bargaining Unit representation. All mail placed into the mail system by the OPBA shall be the property of the Bargaining Unit member to whom it is addressed, and such mail shall not be subject to review by the office.

2.6 Grievance/Liaison Representatives.

The OPBA shall designate not more than two (2) Grievance/Liaison Representatives, who shall be Bargaining Unit Members. There will be two representatives voted into the positions, with the Director serving as the Chairperson and the third representative. The Sheriff will be notified in writing of the OPBA's designees within seven (7) days of the execution of this contract, and thereafter, within seven (7) days of designation.

On any shift one Grievance/Liaison Representative, i.e. Grievance Committee member or Chairman, may be allowed necessary time off the job, in paid status, to attend a

Grievance Committee meeting, related to the processing of grievances or disciplinary investigations, upon prior approval of the Sheriff or his designated representative. Grievance handling or disciplinary investigations outside a grievance representative's scheduled shift is not time worked or paid status.

2.7 Grievance/Liaison Chairman.

1. The parties recognize the position of Grievance/Liaison Chairman, that position being held by the OPBA Director for the Sheriff's office. The Grievance/Liaison Chairman, and a named alternate who shall serve in the absence or unavailability of the Chairman, shall perform the following authorized functions:

(a) serve as an at-large grievance coordinator with responsibility for general supervision and coordination of the grievances;

(b) represent the OPBA in investigating and in processing grievances;

(c) replace a Grievance Representative who is absent or unavailable;

(d) maintain the integrity and timeliness of the grievance procedure by such activities as providing advice and counsel to grievants and/or Grievance Representatives;

(e) attend, as necessary, joint meetings of the parties relating to employer relations matters and/or grievances which come within the scope of this Agreement;

(f) act as Liaison between the OPBA, the Sheriff 's Office and/or County relative to employee relations matters under this Agreement and/or grievances under this Agreement.

2.8 Negotiating Committee. Deputies on the OPBA bargaining team may be given release time for bargaining occurring during their shift or time off from their shift because of their participation in bargaining outside their shift, with a maximum of one per shift per division, if the Sheriff or his designee determines that their absence will not underman his staff.

ARTICLE 3 - DUES DEDUCTION

3.1 During the term of this Agreement, the Employer shall deduct initiation fees, assessments levied by the OPBA and the regular monthly OPBA dues from the wages of those employees who have voluntarily signed written dues deduction authorization forms permitting said deductions. No new written authorization forms will be required from any employees in the bargaining unit for whom the Employer is currently deducting dues. Written authorizations shall remain in effect until revoked in writing by the employee.

3.2 The initiation fees, dues or assessments so deducted shall be in the amounts established by the OPBA from time to time in accordance with its Constitution and Bylaws. The OPBA Executive Director or designee shall certify in writing to the County Auditor the amounts due and owing from the employees involved.

3.3 The Employer shall deduct dues once per month from the second pay of the month in accordance with the union's written direction, to the extent there are wages owing to the

employee to cover the deduction. If an employee is on medical leave, layoff or other extended unpaid absence, dues shall only be deducted for a period when wages are earned. If dues are owing for pay periods when the employee has no earnings or insufficient earnings to cover the deduction, the Employer shall deduct such dues out of future paychecks only upon the express written direction of the OPBA Executive Director or designee.

3.4 A check in the amount of the total dues withheld under this Article shall be tendered to the treasurer of the OPBA within thirty (30) days from the date of making said deductions.

3.5 The OPBA hereby agrees to defend and hold the Employer, its officials and employees, harmless from any and all liabilities or damages which may arise from the performance of its obligations under this Article and the OPBA shall indemnify the Employer, its officials or employees from any such liabilities or damages that may arise.

ARTICLE 4 - NON-DISCRIMINATION

4.1 The Sheriff agrees not to discriminate against Deputies with respect to their hire, terms and conditions of employment, and matters of discipline because of a Deputy's race, color, national origin, religion, sex, ancestry, disability, political activity which is not prohibited or limited by ORC Chapter 124, union activity, or because, he is in a protected age group defined by federal law.

4.2 Deputies have the right to refrain from forming, joining, assisting or participating in union activity, or to engage in any such activity.

4.3 Any reference to the male gender in this Agreement shall be equally applicable to females

4.4 The Employer may take any and all actions which are necessary to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

4.5 Whenever the context so requires, the use of the words herein in the singular shall be construed to include plural, and words whether in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender shall be construed to include all genders. By the use of either masculine or feminine genders it is understood the use is for convenience only and is not to be interpreted as discriminatory or by reason of sex.

ARTICLE 5 - PROBATION

5.1 Newly hired employees and employees transferred into the bargaining unit must complete a probationary period of one calendar year.

5.2 Probationary employees may be discharged or transferred back out of the bargaining unit, as appropriate, for any reason and at any time prior to the completion of the probationary period. Such action shall not be grievable under the terms of the Agreement or otherwise subject to challenge.

ARTICLE 6 - CORRECTIVE ACTION AND RECORDS

The Sheriff or his designee may file charges and administer discipline.

6.1 The Sheriff (or staff officers) will not discipline a non-probationary Deputy without just cause. The principles of progressive discipline below will be followed. The Sheriff may determine that higher levels of discipline are required at times. However, any discipline issued is subject to review in the Grievance Procedure.

6.1.A Verbal counseling will be defined as "an exchange between the supervisor and an employee where the intent is to give adequate notice to any employee whose actions are improper and/or inadequate so that the employee may improve his or her performance to acceptable standards."

6.1.B A verbal warning is a written order stating a deputy's behavior or job performance is unacceptable or unsatisfactory behavior or performance may result in corrective action being taken. Verbal warnings will be removed from the deputy's file one (1) year from the date of receipt.

6.1.C A reprimand is a written statement to a Deputy outlining his unacceptable or unsatisfactory behavior or job performance and noting that as a matter of discipline his activity is being documented for future employer evaluations of him. Reprimands will be removed from the Deputy's file after one (1) year providing that a second reprimand of the same nature is not received within that year. Should this occur, reprimands may remain for two (2) years.

6.1.D A suspension is a written statement to a Deputy outlining his unacceptable or unsatisfactory behavior or job performance and ordering him to suspend his work performance for a specified number of work days without pay. A suspended deputy may use comp time, holiday time, vacation or personal days in lieu of suspension time being taken without pay except in cases when the suspension is imposed for attendance violations (including poor attendance) and/or abuse of leaves. Suspensions shall be removed from the Deputy's file after two (2) years.

6.1.E A discharge is a written notification to a Deputy outlining his unacceptable or unsatisfactory behavior or job performance and terminating the existing employment relationship. A discharged Deputy must return all property issued to him. Discharges remain in a Deputy's file indefinitely.

6.2 Review of Personnel Files - Any member shall be allowed, upon request to review his personnel file between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Such request shall be made to the Sheriff directly and review shall be made in the presence of the Sheriff or his designated representative at a time of mutual convenience. Release of personnel information to the public shall be in accordance with State and Federal laws. Any member may copy documents in his file. The Administration may levy a charge for such copying, which charge shall bear a reasonable relationship to actual cost.

6.3 Inaccurate Documents - Should any member have reason to believe that there are inaccuracies in documents contained in his file, he may write a memorandum to the Sheriff explaining the alleged inaccuracy. The Sheriff shall either remove the inaccurate document or attach the member's memorandum to the document in this file.

6.4 The Sheriff/Board of County Commissioners will keep only (1) set of personnel files on any bargaining unit member. This will not include records kept on matters of payroll. This set of files will be kept at the office of the Delaware County Sheriff.

ARTICLE 7 -DISCIPLINE MEETING

7.1 A Deputy has the right to be accompanied by an OPBA representative (or designated alternate) when the Sheriff or his designate wants to meet with the Deputy to discipline him or conduct investigations where discipline is being considered.

7.2 A Deputy is entitled to union representation at investigatory interviews which the deputy reasonably believes could lead to discipline (the Weingarten standard) and at grievance meetings. There is no entitlement to union representation at other employer-employee meetings that are relevant to the employment relationship.

7.3 Disciplinary meetings will be held on work time except when the matter concerns third shift. Disciplinary meetings involving third shift personnel will be scheduled between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., unless mutually agreed to the contrary by all concerned parties. If reasonable accommodations cannot be made to have a discipline meeting for a third shift employee during the regular hours of employment of said employee, other reasonable accommodations will be made. Disciplinary meetings will be held between 8:30 am. and 4:30 p.m., unless mutually agreed to the contrary by all concerned parties. Reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate the scheduling of disciplinary meetings for third shift employees.

7.4 Polygraph, computerized voice stress analysis (CVSA), mechanical or chemical means to investigate Deputies shall first be checked for their accuracy before being used or administered. These methods will not be used unless the Sheriff has reasonable suspicion that a violation of policy, procedures, or unlawful activity has occurred. Questions asked during the course of any test administered pursuant to this article shall be narrowly tailored to the specific allegations of misconduct by the deputy. When the CVSA is administered to a deputy, it will not be administered by a member of the same bargaining unit. Also, the Sheriff acknowledges that the results of any of the testing under this section will not serve as the sole basis of any disciplinary action taken against the deputy.

7.5 Deputies will be given notice and basis of charges and an opportunity to be heard prior to any disciplinary action being taken. A Deputy may use an OPBA representative to assist in addressing the charges against him.

7.6 Written results of an official investigation shall be provided to the Deputy, in accordance with Paragraph 7.8 below.

7.7 The Sheriff shall inform a Deputy that a complaint has been filed against him, the nature of the complaint, and the outcome of the complaint within a reasonable period of time. Written notification must be given. If after investigating the complaint, the Sheriff decides not to make a formal investigation of a Deputy, the information gathered about the complaint shall not be placed in a Deputy's personnel file. Nothing in this section prevents the Sheriff from compiling information on a Deputy accused of engaging in, or aiding and abetting any unlawful activity. Anonymous oral complaints may not be utilized as a basis for commencing an

investigation unless the complaint is reduced to writing and signed by either the complainant or the person who receives the complaint.

7.8 For the purposes of this Agreement, an official investigation will be defined as any time management compiles written information about the alleged activities of an officer whether it relates to conduct allegedly occurring on or off-duty. To the extent practicable, all investigations and notifications of discipline resulting therefrom will be completed within 45 days of the time that the employer receives notice of the conduct in dispute.

7.9 Refusing to answer questions about the Deputy's activity or of other Deputies' activity is grounds for insubordination. The Deputy shall be warned that he could be disciplined if he continues to refuse to answer questions about another Deputy or himself. However, Garrity warnings shall be rendered when appropriate.

7.10 A Deputy who is questioned in the disciplinary process may tape record any such meeting, provided that everyone present is informed that the meeting is being recorded. Within seven (7) days, the Deputy will provide a copy of the tape to the Sheriff. Individuals other than the subject of a disciplinary meeting or the Sheriff or the Sheriff's designee may not tape record a meeting without the consent of the Sheriff or his designee.

7.11 All disciplinary action shall be conducted in a private and business-like manner.

7.12 A deputy may choose to waive all steps in the disciplinary process after being informed of the charges against him or her. This waiver must be voluntary and in writing.

ARTICLE 8 - TRANSFERS AND ASSIGNMENTS

8.1 A vacancy occurs when the Sheriff intends to fill an existing bargaining unit position which has become available on an indefinite basis, or when the Sheriff intends to create a new full-time bargaining unit position or add one to an existing classification. The Sheriff is required to fill any position posted pursuant to this article provided that there are qualified applicants. (See 8.2.B below) Any time a position is posted which the Sheriff intends to fill, the posted position shall be filled according to the listed criteria in Section 8.2.B below. However, each position filled pursuant to this section will be subject to a one-hundred twenty (120) day probationary period. The Sheriff shall have the sole discretion to evaluate the performance of the employee during the probationary period. Any employee remaining in a position subsequent to the one-hundred twenty (120) day period will be deemed to be qualified for the position and may only be removed for just cause. The one hundred twenty (120) day probationary period may be extended for sixty (60) additional days if the Union, the Deputy and the Sheriff all agree in writing that such an extension is appropriate in the particular case.

8.2 The Sheriff will fill vacancies as follows:

8.2.A Posting - The Sheriff shall post the vacancy notice of permanent positions (i.e., a position expected to be filled for more than 6 months), naming the available job, duty hours, days off, and a detailed job description. The posting shall be for seven (7) calendar days. Interested candidates must apply within the seven (7) calendar day posting period by submitting a letter of interest with qualifications to the Division Supervisor. If a position that is confidential in nature needs to be filled, the Sheriff's Office agrees to notify counsel for the OPBA of said position if the position is expected to be filled for a period greater than 6 months.

8.2.B Selection - The Sheriff shall select the candidate he deems most qualified based on their job related experience, training, educational background needed to perform the duties as described in the posted vacancy. His selection must be made in good faith. If two bargaining unit members with comparable qualifications apply for the job posted, the bargaining unit member with the most seniority will prevail.

8.3 Shift schedules and days off, as established by the Sheriff, are assigned according to seniority. Deputies shall submit their requests for shift schedules and days off as follows:

8.3.A A seniority list that is current as of two weeks prior to shift bid will be posted at all reporting locations for the patrol division.

8.3.B The available shifts for patrol division will be posted 2 weeks prior to the first full week of December (this being Monday – Friday), at all reporting locations for the patrol division.

8.3.C Shift bidding will take place during the first full calendar week of December. The patrol division will be divided into thirds for this procedure. On Monday, the first third of the patrol division will bid, on Wednesday, the second third will bid, and Friday, the third will bid. Upon completion of the bidding on Monday, the results will be posted on the North Office bulletin board, and upon completion of the bidding on Wednesday, the results will be posted on the North Office bulletin board. The time for bidding will be mutually agreed upon by the Sheriff and the bargaining unit. In the event an employee may not be able to appear for their shift bidding based on extenuating circumstances, the employee will make a written request at least two (2) weeks prior to the shift bid date requesting the Sheriff allow a proxy stand in their place for shift bidding. The written request will state the reason (extenuating circumstances) for the request and will name the employee acting as their proxy. The written request will be signed by the employee, the proxy, and the employee's division supervisor. The request will be sent directly to the attention of the Sheriff for processing. The Sheriff will not unreasonably deny any properly-submitted request. The employee will receive a written response from the Sheriff or his designee concerning the request within seven (7) calendar days.

8.3.D All available shifts will be posted with the exception of the Sergeant, Corporal, and K-9 shifts. Bargaining Unit members will keep in mind that no one shift will contain a large number of probationary deputies. If this would occur, bargaining unit members may be reassigned by the Sheriff's designee in a reverse seniority manner until the shifts are evened out.

8.3.E Shift schedules and days off will be effective on the first day of the first full pay period of the New Year, at 06:00 hours. Bargaining unit members who will have to work more than 5 days in a row, or 80 hours in a pay period, as a result of their schedule change will be required to submit for time off.

8.3.F The Sheriff may change a Deputy's shift schedule or day off during the year for just cause.

8.4 In the event the senior member of a shift is permanently moved from his present shift or days off for any reason, the next senior member of the shift shall be given an opportunity

to bid for the days off previously occupied by the previous senior member, and so on down the seniority list for two additional times by seniority on the shift.

8.5 The Sheriff determines all transfers and assignments. A transfer occurs when the Sheriff moves a Deputy from one shift schedule to another, from one division to another, or changes his days off. Assignments are those duties required of a Deputy in the position in which he has been placed to work. The Sheriff shall exercise ordinary and reasonable discretion in making transfers and assignments. The Sheriff shall not transfer or assign any Deputy without just cause.

8.6 A promotion occurs when the Sheriff increases a bargaining unit member's rank in the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff determines the promotions. He shall establish standards for promotions and provide them to the OPBA. Promotions shall be made in good faith.

8.7 Vacancies, transfers, assignments, promotions, or changes in shift schedules are subject to the Grievance/Arbitration Procedure.

8.8 Deputies assigned to divisions other than patrol may request reassignment back to the patrol division if there is a forthcoming vacancy or a vacancy currently exist. This request must be submitted in writing to the Division Supervisor who may either grant or deny the request based on departmental needs. Should the Division Supervisor approve the request, the requesting Deputy shall fill the vacancy as it exists (including the shift and days off) until the next normal shift and days off selection procedure. Should this transfer cause a Deputy to work more than forty (40) hours in a work week, the Deputy will use accrued compensatory time or vacation to insure that he will not work more than forty (40) hours in the week of reassignment. If the transfer causes a Deputy to work less than forty (40) hours in the week of reassignment, he shall not be required to work additional hours and shall be paid his regular salary.

ARTICLE 9 - CONFORMITY TO LAW

This Agreement shall supersede any present and future State and Local laws, along with any applicable rules and regulations, and the invalidity of any provisions of this Agreement by reasons of any such existing or future law or rule or regulation shall not affect the validity of the surviving portions.

If the enactment of legislation, or a determination by a court of final and competent jurisdiction (whether in a proceeding between the parties or in one not between the parties) renders any portion of this Agreement invalid or unenforceable, such legislation or decision shall not affect the validity of the surviving portions of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect as if such invalid portion thereof had not been included herein.

In the event that any portion of this Agreement is rendered invalid or unenforceable, the Employer and the OPBA will, at the request of either party hereto, promptly enter into negotiations relative to the particular provisions deemed or rendered invalid or unenforceable.

ARTICLE 10 - LABOR RELATIONS MEETING

The Sheriff will meet with OPBA quarterly, if requested by the OPBA or Sheriff, to discuss the application and any problems in the administration of this Agreement. There is no duty to bargain at these meetings. Attendance at these meetings is voluntary and is not paid work time. It is the intention of the parties hereto that such individuals as may be helpful to items to be discussed in such meetings may be in attendance, but normally not more than three (3) Bargaining Unit Members may attend. Any amendment of this Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties.

ARTICLE 11 - STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

The Sheriff agrees that, to the extent possible, SOPs shall be reduced to writing and a copy given to the OPBA Director in advance of their enforcement. While the duty to notify has no effect on the Sheriff's authority to promulgate SOPs, the newly promulgated SOP shall not take effect for seven (7) days after its initial posting, unless mutually agreed by the parties in writing. SOPs shall not violate this Agreement. The Sheriff will not selectively enforce SOPs against individual Deputies. Any disagreements over interpretation of SOPs shall be presented to the Sheriff and processed in the Grievance/Arbitration Procedure.

The Sheriff shall provide access to the SOPs, including any future amendments thereto, and shall make the SOP's available in computer form on the Sheriff's office Computer Network for all employees to read and provide one copy on CD ROM to the OPBA. The Sheriff will post changes/additions to the SOPs in paper format on bulletin boards designated by the Sheriff and will provide the changes/additions to the OPBA in computer form in either disk, CD, or email format.

ARTICLE 12 - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Purpose - The grievance procedure is specifically designed to deal with all alleged violations of this existing contract and it replaces any procedure provided by the State Personnel Board of Review. All matters arising out of this contract are to be processed exclusively through the grievance procedure. Grievances must be filed in good faith.

12.1 A Grievance is a timely written complaint concerning the interpretation or application of this Labor Agreement. A grievance must specifically set forth the nature of the alleged contract violation and not merely a reference to a provision of the contract. No grievance can be amended to concern a different fact situation after Step 2 below unless by mutual consent of the parties. The timelines imposed on the grievant herein are to be strictly construed unless the Sheriff expressly extends the timelines. If a grievant fails to meet a timeline, the grievance shall be dismissed. If no decision is rendered by the Sheriff or immediate supervisor at any step of the grievance process within the applicable time requirements, the grievance shall proceed to the next successive grievance step. The OPBA is to provide its members with all grievance forms, which must comply with the requisites outlined in Step 2.

12.2 Grievant means a Deputy or OPBA.

12.3 Working Day means Monday through Friday, excluding Saturday, Sunday, and recognized holidays. Recognized holidays being defined in R.C. 325.19.

12.4 The grievant is entitled to OPBA representation at any step of the grievance procedure. The availability of the OPBA representative does not affect the running of the timelines at any step of the grievance procedure.

12.4.A Step 1. The grievant must file a written grievance with his immediate supervisor within five (5) working days. All written grievances, in order to be effective for consideration, shall contain the following: (1) the facts of the grievance; (2) the specific contract provisions alleged to be violated; (3) the remedy sought; and (4) the signature of the grievant.

The immediate supervisor has three (3) working days from the time the grievance is actually properly received from the grievant to reply to the grievant. If the immediate supervisor denies the grievance or fails to timely respond, the employee may proceed to Step 2 by submitting the grievance to the Divisional Supervisor or other designee as defined by the Sheriff within three (3) working days after receiving the immediate supervisor's decision, or immediately after the three (3) working days period expires.

12.4.B Step 2. The Divisional Supervisor or other designee as defined by the Sheriff may meet with the OPBA representative, or the grievant or both within three (3) working days, and shall submit a written decision to the grievant within eight (8) working days. If the Divisional Supervisor or other designee denies the grievance or fails to timely respond, the employee may proceed to Step 3 by submitting the grievance to the Sheriff within three (3) working days after receiving the decision of the Divisional Supervisor or other designee, or immediately after, the eight (8) working day period expires.

12.4.C Step 3. The Sheriff or his designee may meet with the OPBA representative, or the grievant or both within three (3) working days, and shall submit a written decision to the grievant within seven (7) working days.

12.4.D Step 4.

12.4.D.1 Arbitration. If the parties are unable to satisfactorily resolve the grievance at the final step of the Grievance Procedure, it may be appealed to a mutually selected arbitrator. Such appeal must be presented to the Sheriff by the OPBA in writing, within fourteen (14) calendar days from receipt of the Sheriff's final response to the grievance at the final step of the Grievance Procedure. Should the parties be unable to agree upon a mutually selected arbitrator, then F.M.C.S. shall be requested to submit a panel of seven (7) qualified arbitrators from Ohio from which one shall be selected. Failing to mutually agree upon an arbitrator from this panel, the parties shall strike names alternately, with the parties' right to strike the first name to be determined by the flip of a coin. All decisions reached by the arbitrator shall be final and binding on both parties. If the arbitrator denies the grievance, his fee and expenses will be paid by the OPBA. If he grants the grievance, the Sheriff will pay the costs.

12.4.D.2 Jurisdiction of the Arbitrator. The arbitrator's jurisdiction is strictly within the four corners of this contract. His authority must be derived from the essence of the provisions within this contract. The arbitrator cannot add to, amend or modify in whole or part any provision of this contract.

12.4.D.3 The OPBA may determine when a grievance will be stopped/denied.

ARTICLE 13 – SENIORITY

A probationary employee shall have no seniority until he or she satisfactorily completes the probationary period. An employee's seniority shall be terminated when one or more of the following occurs" he resigns, he is discharged for just cause, he is laid off for a period exceeding twelve (12) months, he retires, he refuses a recall or fails to report to work within five (5) days from the date the employer mails the recall notice. Seniority means the length of continuous regular employment by the Sheriff as a deputy.

ARTICLE 14 - LAYOFF AND SENIORITY

14.1 Layoffs, or recalls after layoffs, will be determined by seniority. The least senior Deputy shall be laid off first and the most senior Deputy shall be recalled first. However, if the Sheriff, using ordinary and reasonable discretion, determines that an employee whose seniority entitles him or her to be retained or recalled does not have the ability to perform the available work in the Sheriff's Office, the Sheriff need not retain or recall the employee. The Sheriff's determination is subject to the Grievance/Arbitration Procedure. If such a determination were challenged in the Grievance/Arbitration Procedure, the Sheriff would have the burden of showing that he had exercised ordinary and reasonable discretion in determining that the Deputy could not perform the available work.

14.2 Sheriff's Office Seniority is continuous service as a deputy since the employee's first employment or re-employment following a break in continuous service.

14.3 For purposes of this Agreement, Sheriff's Office seniority shall govern for layoffs, the accumulation of benefits, selection of paid leave, and shift bidding, etc.

14.4 Recall rights shall exist for one year from the effective date of the layoff.

ARTICLE 15 - MISCELLANEOUS

15.1 Safe Equipment. The Sheriff intends to furnish and maintain in satisfactory working condition, the necessary tools, facilities, vehicles, supplies and equipment required for members to safely carry out their duties. Members are responsible for reporting unsafe conditions or practices, or avoiding negligence, and for properly using and caring for tools, facilities, vehicles, supplies, and equipment provided by the Sheriff.

15.2 Off-Duty Contract Employment. Although all special duty work must be approved by the Sheriff or his designee, the Sheriff is not the employer for purposes of the special duty service. All aspects of a deputy's special duty service shall be considered not to arise out of and/or be in the course of employment by the Sheriff unless the deputy is effecting an arrest, apprehending a suspect, or preventing a criminal offense which is in progress. The employees participating in special duty work agree that he/she will exhaust his/her Workers' Compensation remedies against the person or organization for whom the service is being provided (with the exception noted above when a deputy is effecting an arrest, apprehending a

suspect, or preventing a criminal offense which is in progress) prior to making a claim against the County and/or the Sheriff for injury occurring during special duty service.

For purposes of the professional image and standing of deputies, all of the Sheriff's standard operating procedures shall be adhered to when a deputy is performing special duty service and any discipline arising out of special duty will be subject to the grievance and arbitration procedure of the collective bargaining agreement.

The Sheriff will not contract with officers from any other office for off duty employment within Delaware County so as not to withhold off duty employment from Delaware County Deputies. However, when there are more Deputies needed than the bargaining unit can provide, other officers from other departments will be used.

15.3 Trading Shifts and Assignments. An employee may trade regular scheduled work hours with another employee and he may trade days off with another employee, provided that the days off traded must occur within the same pay period. All proposed trades must be approved in writing by the Sheriff or his designee.

The "Special Duty Hourly Rate" shall be $33.00 per hour.

15.4 Agreement Copies. As soon as possible following the signing of this Agreement, the County shall have the copies of this Agreement printed, number of copies to be determined by need. Copies will be provided to the County, the OPBA, and the Bargaining Unit Members. Actual cost of printing this Agreement, and any further printing beyond the needed copies, in an amount the parties may later agree is necessary, shall be paid by the County. The OPBA shall be responsible for distributing copies to its members. Copies for any new Deputies who are hired during the life of this Agreement will be provided by the County.

15.5 Residency. Deputies must live within one hour's driving time of the office.

ARTICLE 16 - OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE

Officers-in-Charge will assist the Sergeant of the shift, and assist other Deputies as requested on crime scenes.

Any Deputy acting in the capacity of an Officer-in-Charge shall be compensated an additional $1.00 per hour.

ARTICLE 17 - UNIFORM ALLOWANCE

17.1 The Sheriff agrees to provide each Deputy, upon initial employment, clothing which makes up the appropriate uniform required for duty by the Sheriff. Socks, underwear, and undershirts are not included in the uniform provided by the Sheriff, Two pairs of shoes will be provided at the time of initial hire. The Sheriff will also pay for the dry-cleaning of the uniforms. Any replacements will be governed by the "quartermaster system" set forth in this contract.

17.2 The distribution of equipment and attire to employees will be handled by the use of a "quartermaster system," as set forth in the Sheriff Office's SOP. The Sheriff will designate a quartermaster who will be responsible for the distribution of equipment and attire to bargaining

unit members. The quartermaster will be responsible for overseeing the repair and/or replacement of equipment and attire when said repairs or replacements are needed. The quartermaster will place orders for necessary equipment and attire once a month, unless circumstances warrant the necessity of placing special orders. No employee will be unreasonably denied equipment and attire – as specified in Article 17.1 – if existing equipment and attire needs to be replaced or is damaged to the point where it cannot be repaired.

17.3 Each detective shall receive $900.00 per year for the purchase and maintenance of plain clothes and maintaining and purchasing any new or replacement equipment or uniforms for his/her service as a deputy. This payment shall be made in one lump sum in January of each year, and represents the detectives total uniform allowance for the year. The Sheriff also agrees to provide dry cleaning services for dress clothes.

17.4 The Sheriff agrees to provide body armor and carrier of a style and type mutually agreed to by the parties to all deputies without deduction from the uniform allowance and to replace said body armor and carrier in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications, at no cost to the deputies. The Sheriff and OPBA agree to cooperate in the preparation and submission of any grant for the body armor. This agreement is contingent upon the deputies actually wearing the body armor in accordance with the SOP. The Sheriff agrees to sign and submit the grant application after it is completed.

17.5 At no cost to the employee, the Sheriff will supply specialized uniform and equipment items which he determines are necessary to Deputies who are assigned to the specialized units in the Sheriff's Office.

ARTICLE 18 - UNPAID LEAVES OF ABSENCE

18.1 Disability Leave.

18.1.A A Deputy may request an unpaid disability leave for up to one (1) year if he continues to be injured, ill, or physically or mentally incapacitated from the performance of the regular duties of his position after he has exhausted his accumulated sick leave, comp time and vacation.

No reasonable request for unpaid leave which is supported by medically justified reasons will be denied by the Sheriff's Office. No unpaid leave request shall initially exceed 30 days. Any supplemental request exceeding thirty (30) days will be considered by the Sheriff's Office with appropriate medical documentation. The unpaid leave referenced in this section is in addition to and separate from unpaid leave under the Family Medical Leave Act. Unpaid leave under this section may not be utilized until leave under the FMLA has been exhausted. If any unpaid leave is granted by the Sheriff's Office, the Sheriff's Office will not be responsible for the payment of any medical or other benefits during the individual's time while on unpaid leave.

18.1.B The Sheriff may place a Deputy, on unpaid disability leave after he has exhausted vacation, sick leave and compensatory time if, after an informal hearing concerning his condition, the Sheriff determines the Deputy is unable to perform the regular duties of his position because of illness, injury, or other physical or mental disability. Prior to the hearing, the Sheriff may require the Deputy to submit to an examination conducted by a licensed physician, psychiatrist, or psychologist, as appropriate to the circumstances, at the Sheriff's expense.

Ordinarily, if the Deputy is hospitalized or institutionalized at the time of the request, the disability leave may be granted without examination.

18.1.C Within one (1) year from the effective date of the unpaid disability leave, the deputy may apply for reinstatement. After receipt of a timely application for reinstatement, the Sheriff may require examination of the Deputy by a licensed physician, psychiatrist, or psychologist, as appropriate to the circumstances, and shall designate the person to conduct the examination. The Sheriff shall pay for the examination. If the examination discloses the Deputy has recovered from the disability and is otherwise able to perform the regular duties of his position, the Sheriff shall reinstate the Deputy to his former or similar available position within thirty (30) calendar days from his written application.

18.2 Maternity and Parental Leave.

18.2.A Deputies may use their accumulated sick leave for absence due to pregnancy or for absence due to any medical condition related to pregnancy, childbirth, or postpartum recovery. At their option, Deputies may use their accrued paid leave for pregnancy, childbirth, or infant care.

18.2.B If an employee exhausts her accumulated sick leave, she may extend her maternity leave pursuant to Section 18.1_above. A Deputy's request for a leave of absence for infant care purposes shall be treated as a request for an unpaid leave of absence for personal reasons pursuant to Section 18.3 below.

18.3 Other Unpaid Leaves of Absence.

18.3.A Deputies may request an unpaid leave of absence for educational or personal reasons. The Sheriff decides whether to grant these leaves. They may be granted for up to six months. Educational leave must be used for law enforcement training or specialized law enforcement experience which the Sheriff determines would benefit the department. Upon completion of the leave of absence, the Deputy will be returned to his former or similar available position.

18.3.B Where the Deputy is unable to pre-determine the exact length of his leave, the Sheriff may approve an indefinite leave to not exceed six (6) months. The Sheriff may permit the Deputy to return to work during the six (6) month period, provided he gives the Sheriff at least two (2) weeks written notice of his desire to return.

18.3.C If a leave of absence is granted for a definite period of time, the Deputy may be reinstated before the expiration of the leave.

18.4 Family and Medical Leave.

18.4.A The Sheriff may implement all aspects of the Family and Medical Leave Act in his discretion to the extent allowed by and not inconsistent with this Agreement and the Act.

ARTICLE 19 - MILITARY LEAVE

Military Leave will be administered in accordance with the Ohio Revised Code Section 5923.05.

ARTICLE 20 - STANDARD WORK WEEK AND OVERTIME

20.1 Definition. The work week shall normally consist of forty (40) hours based on five (5) consecutive eight (8) hour workdays and two (2) consecutive days off. The hourly rate of a Deputy is based on a work week of forty (40) hours and a work year of two thousand eighty (2,080) hours.

20.2 Overtime. Deputies shall be compensated time and one-half for hours actually worked which exceed forty (40) in a work week. The Sheriff will not change a Deputy's schedule to avoid paying overtime. For purposes of this section, all paid leave shall count as hours worked.

20.3 Overtime Scheduling. To the extent practical, good faith efforts will be made consistent with efficient and effective operation of the department to rotate pre-scheduled overtime assignments among qualified Deputies.

20.4 Compensatory Time in Lieu of Overtime Pay. Deputies shall be entitled to elect to receive compensatory time in lieu of overtime pay. Compensatory time shall accrue at a one and one-half hours for each hour of overtime worked. Deputies shall be allowed to accrue up to 160 hours of compensatory time. The Sheriff may deny a compensatory time request for a certain time if he determines that operations of the Sheriff's office will be unduly disrupted. Compensatory time may be requested not less than three (3) days nor more than ninety (90) days in advance. The parties may mutually waive the time restrictions set forth in this Section.

ARTICLE 21 - CALL IN PAY

Deputies who are called from home and who report to the office for any reason, shall be paid for all hours worked, but no less than a minimum of three (3) hours' call-in pay at the overtime rate. Deputies asked to report early to their regular shift, or to stay after their regular shift, do not receive call-in pay. Deputies required to make court appearances on behalf of the Sheriff or the County on their off-duty time will also be paid for all hours worked, but not less than three (3) hours minimum call-in pay at the overtime rate. An employee shall not receive such minimum pay for work or duties that are contiguous to the employee's work schedule, but instead, shall be compensated at the overtime rate for all hours worked. For purposes of this Section, contiguous means up to one hour before or one hour after the employee's regularly-scheduled work day. Deputies are required to confirm their required appearance in court prior to the court date and/or as listed on the subpoena. When the deputy turns in his/her subpoena, it will be incumbent upon the deputy to specify the individual with whom the deputy confirmed his/her appearance, and the payment referred above will not be made without such confirmation.

ARTICLE 22 - TRAINING

Anyone taking any work related training shall receive his regular rate of pay while in the training class. This will count as hours worked but will not count as overtime.

All training shall be approved by the Sheriff. The Sheriff will pay all costs of the training course, and mileage at the rate established by the Internal Revenue Service if the Deputy drives his personal vehicle to and from class. If more than one Deputy is going to the same class, every effort shall be made to car pool so that only one Deputy will be paid mileage. However, in the event that this is not geographically feasible, this requirement may be waived upon prior approval of the Sheriff in writing. Deputies driving their own vehicles must receive prior approval from the Sheriff's Office and comply with the Driving Qualifications S.O.P.

Travel time will not count as time worked, and while in training the Deputy will only be paid for a forty (40) hour week.

A Deputy may waive any or all above provisions in accordance with law.

Deputies attending training at the request of the Sheriff which results in a loss of all or a portion of their scheduled days off shall be given an amount of time off equal to the portion lost. This time off may be given either prior to or immediately following the training.

ARTICLE 23 - PAID LEAVES

23.1 Sick Leave.

Sick Leave - Each Deputy shall earn 4.6 hours paid sick leave upon completing each 80 hours of regular service. Sick leave hours are accumulated for hours worked on overtime. Unused sick leave shall be accumulated without limit. Sick leave shall be used in good faith. A violation of this Article is subject to Article 6 of this Agreement (Corrective Action).

23.1.A A Deputy who transfers from one county office to another or who transferred or is hired from another public employer in Ohio to county employment within ten (10) years of service, shall be credited with the unused balance of his sick leave accumulated in his prior service. The Deputy is responsible for obtaining certification of his previously accumulated sick leave.

23.1.B Deputies may use sick leave for absence due to personal illness, pregnancy, injury, exposure to contagious disease which could be communicated to other Deputies, and for absence due to illness, injury or death in the Deputy's immediate family.

23.1.C Abuse or patterned use of sick leave may be grounds for disciplinary action.

23.1.D "Immediate family" for purposes of this policy include: grandparents, grandparents-in-law, brothers, sisters, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, parents, father-in-law, mother-in-law, spouse, children, grandchildren, and legal guardian or other persons who stand in the place of a parent to the Deputy.

23.1.E A Deputy who is absent due to one of the above reasons must report his absence to the Sheriff's Office before his shift begins or prior to reporting off sick while on duty.

23.1.F When sick leave is used it shall be deducted from the Deputy's sick leave credit on the basis of one quarter (1/4) hour of sick leave for every quarter (1/4) hour of absence from previously scheduled work.

23.1.G Upon death of a Deputy, unused accumulated sick leave shall be paid to his spouse, children or parents, if any, in that order, or to his -estate. Payment for accumulated sick leave at the time of death shall be based on the Deputy's regular rate of pay at the time of his death, with one such hour of pay for every three (3) hours of accumulated sick leave.

23.1.H Upon retirement or resignation from employment, the Sheriff will pay Deputies who have ten (10) years of service with the department one-fourth (1/4) of their accumulated sick leave.

23.1.I If a Deputy's illness or disability continues beyond the time covered by his earned sick leave, he may request an unpaid disability leave or other unpaid leave of absence. Deputies may also use earned vacation time or compensatory time after exhausting sick leave, but before applying for an unpaid leave.

23.1.J An employee shall be credited with an additional eight (8) hours of compensatory each time they do not utilize any sick leave for a period of six (6) months. In accordance with this provision, an employee would be eligible for two days maximum per year. The six month periods are defined as January to the end of June and July to the end of December each year.

23.1.K Sick Leave Donation. Employees can donate to a permanent fellow employee any amount of sick time they desire, so long as the donating employee does not drop below two hundred fifty (250) hours of accrued sick leave.

23.1.L Vacation, Comp Time and Holiday Comp Time may be donated to permanent fellow employees for sick leave purposes, in increments of not less than eight (8.0) hours.

23.2 Funeral Leave.

A Deputy may be absent with pay for up to three (3) consecutive work days to attend the funeral of an immediate family member (as defined in (A)(4) above) within the State of Ohio. In the event that the Deputy must travel outside the State of Ohio to attend the funeral of an immediate family member, a Deputy may be absent with pay for up to five (5) consecutive work days. It is specifically agreed that funeral leave will be deducted from sick leave; however, any sick leave utilized pursuant to this Section will not be used against the employee in the disciplinary process.

23.3 Jury Duty Leave.

23.3.A Deputies may be excused from work for jury duty.

23.3.B Deputies called to and reporting for panel and/or jury duty during their scheduled work day shall be compensated by the Sheriff at the regular rate of pay for the normal workday. Time on jury duty is not hours worked to compute overtime. The Deputy must give his immediate supervisor prior notice and proof of his jury duty call, and pay his jury fee to the County Treasurer in order to receive his regular pay.

23.4 Injury Leave.

All full-time Deputies shall be entitled to time off without wage deduction from their salary, except that any Workers' Compensation weekly salary benefits which he/she may be awarded by the Ohio Industrial Commission (OIC) will be deducted for a period not to exceed 90 consecutive working days for Deputies working a forty (40) hour work week. This leave shall be used to recover from a medically verified disabling condition which prevents Deputies from performing their normally assigned duties. An "injury" includes one or more physical impairments resulting from the same accident. The Sheriff agrees that he will not require any members to exhaust sick leave prior to receiving injury leave. Deputies will continue to receive insurance benefits while on injury leave. They shall continue to accrue seniority, sick leave, and vacation time credit. As a condition of this benefit, the Deputy must pursue a Workers' Compensation claim for the injury.

The following procedures must be followed to receive injury leave:

(1) Injury leave only applies to personal injury of a Deputy occurring in the line of his duty. The Deputy shall complete an accident/injury investigation form and in conjunction with the Sheriff (or his designee) shall report such injury to the Sheriff immediately and insure that a claim is filed with the OIC. Documentation will include, but is not limited to, a statement from the Deputy's physician, an agreement covering Compensation Reimbursement, any necessary OIC forms and other documents as may be required by the Sheriff.

(2) In all cases where a Deputy needs more than ninety (90) consecutive working days, the Sheriff will extend such leave by an additional ninety (90) consecutive working days, if determined by him to be necessary. Each Deputy requesting such an extension under this policy may be required to furnish a current affidavit from the licensed physician setting forth the need for the extension. Any decision rendered by the Sheriff regarding extension under this policy may be appealed through the Grievance/Arbitration Procedure.

(3) The Sheriff will attempt to provide transitional duty work for Deputies who have received an injury on or off duty. "Transitional work" means work that a deputy is fully able to perform when considering his established disabilities and which does not create an undue hardship upon the Sheriff's office.

ARTICLE 24 - VACATIONS

24.1 A full-time Deputy (after completion of one full year of service) shall have earned eighty (80) hours of vacation leave with full pay. Thereafter, a full-time Deputy shall earn and accrue vacation leave pro rata over 26 bi-weekly pays at the following annual rates:

1 but less than 6 years service .....2 weeks
6 but less than 15 years service .....3 weeks
15 but less than 20 years service .....4 weeks
20 and over years of service .....5 weeks

24.2 Service with the State of Ohio or any of its political subdivisions counts toward the number of years in service in determining the amount of vacation to which a Deputy is entitled. Time spent on authorized leaves of absence (including military leave) also counts. No vacation is earned while a Deputy is on layoff or unpaid leave.

24.3 Vacation schedules shall be mutually arranged and recommended by each supervisor of the shift or supervisor of the division, subject to the Sheriff's approval. Vacation leave may be restricted, denied, or cancelled based on operational necessities. The necessities would be due to high volumes of workloads, special events, or emergencies that require a large portion of the workforce. Any unreasonable denial of a request may be the subject of a grievance. In the event that two Deputies submit a vacation request on the same day which presents a conflict because each Deputy's request includes days off in common, then the senior Deputy shall be given first choice. Otherwise, vacation requests will be granted based on which request was made first. Vacation time may be taken in ¼ hour increments. The supervisor of the shift and supervisor of the division may grant more than one vacation request, subject to the Sheriff's approval. Once vacation leave is granted, it will not be cancelled by the employer except in cases of emergency.

24.4 A Deputy may request any amount of vacation leave not more than ninety (90) days in advance, nor less than three (3) days in advance. Any Deputy who informs the Employer in writing at the time of the vacation request that he requires notice by a time certain of the approval or denial of his vacation request, will be given said notice as soon as reasonably practicable. The time restrictions herein may be waived by mutual agreement of the parties.

24.5 Deputies are entitled to payment for any earned unused vacation to their credit at the time they are separated from the Sheriff's Department, at their hourly rate of pay.

24.6 In the case of a Deputy's death, earned but unused vacation leave shall be paid to his spouse, children or parents, in that order, or to his estate, at his then hourly rate of pay.

24.7 A Deputy may indefinitely carry over earned vacation leave up to five hundred hours.

ARTICLE 25 - EDUCATION

25.1. A Deputy shall be paid a lump sum salary payment of $250.00 for an Associate Degree or for completion of half of a Bachelor's Degree (with the full Bachelor's Degree to be completed within the next five (5) years).

25.2. A Deputy shall be annually paid a lump sum salary payment of $550.00 after completing a Bachelor's Degree.

25.3. A Deputy shall be annually paid a lump sum salary payment of $750.00 after completing a Master's Degree.

25.4. In order to qualify, the Associate or Bachelor's Degree can only be in law enforcement or the criminal justice field.

25.5. The stipend is to be paid annually in a lump sum in the first pay in December.

25.6. An employee shall not be entitled to this educational stipend during his initial probationary year.

25.7. The parties incorporate the Delaware County Educational reimbursement policy as if it were fully set forth herein.

ARTICLE 26 - HOLIDAYS

26.1 Holidays. Each employee shall earn one 8-hour holiday for each completed month on the active payroll, beginning January 1, 2011. Holiday time may be accumulated and used the same as compensatory time under 20.4 (except that the holiday shall be equal to eight hours at regular pay and holiday comp hours shall not count against the 160-hour cap set forth in Article 20.4 of this Agreement during the year in which the holiday/comp hours were earned). At the completion of each calendar year, each employee may opt to be paid at the deputy's straight time rate in effect in December of the year in which such days are earned for any holidays accrued and not used during the year in question and shall be paid in a lump sum prior to the second pay period of December of the same year. In addition, each employee shall be entitled to one (1) personal day immediately upon the execution of this Agreement, and each January 1 thereafter. This personal day must be used in the calendar year in which it first becomes available. This personal day may not be exchanged for pay or carried over into any subsequent year.

26.2 Demand Leave. Employees may utilize paid leave annually other than sick leave (i.e., vacation, Holiday, comp and/or personal leave) in any increment, to a maximum of eight (8) hours per request, limited to five (5) uses per calendar year, and a maximum of forty (40) hours per calendar year on a demand basis. Such leave must be granted with any amount of notice, as long as it is not necessary to replace the requesting employee due to minimum staffing requirements at the time of the request.

ARTICLE 27 - HEALTH INSURANCE

27.1. The Employer shall maintain a group health benefits plan for the bargaining unit. The plan and its benefits shall be the same plan in effect for the employees of the County generally (management and non-management employees alike).

27.2. The Employer may implement reasonable changes in the health benefits plan so long as the changes are implemented for County employees generally. The Employer premium contribution dollar amounts for 2013 will remain at least at 2012 levels. The Employer's implemented plan must be reasonable, the Union or employees may file a grievance to challenge the Employer's compliance with this Article, including the reasonableness standard.

The Employer shall meet and confer with representatives of the Union before implementing any changes.

27.3. The employer will provide and pay for term life insurance by January 1, 2008 in an amount not less than $15,000.

ARTICLE 28 - WAGES AND PAY STEPS

28.1 The Steps of the salary schedule are defined as follows:

28.1.A Step (A) applies to new employees during their one-year probationary period.

28.1.B Step (B) applies to employees after completion of the one-year probationary period.

28.1.C Step (C) applies to employees after three years' continuous service as a deputy.

28.1.D Step (D) applies to employees after five (5) years' continuous service.

The following wage schedule shall become effective on October 29, 2011: (2.75% increase)

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
Per Hr.	$21.39	$22.99	$25.33	$29.12

The following wage schedule shall become effective on January 1, 2012 (2.5% increase):

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
Per Hr.	$21.92	$23.56	$25.96	$29.85

The following wage schedule shall become effective on January 1, 2013 (2.25% increase):

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
Per Hr.	$22.41	$24.09	$26.54	$30.52

In addition, bargaining unit members shall receive a $1350.00 lump sum payment (not to be added to their base rate of pay.

28.2 Corporals will be paid 5% above the rate of the top deputy.

28.3 The Sheriff's office agrees to the payment of longevity pay. For the duration of this contract, longevity pay will be paid at the following rates:

A. 5 to 9 years - $500.00

B. 10 to 14 years - $1000.00

C. 15 to 19 years - $1500.00

D. 20 to 24 years - $2000.00

E. 25 years or more - $2500.00

The Sheriff's office will include the longevity payments as part of the bargaining unit's regular bi-weekly paychecks.

28.4 Field training and/or orientation officers shall receive an additional $1.00 per hour for all hours worked in that capacity.

ARTICLE 29 - SCOPE

29.1 This Agreement supersedes all previous oral and written agreements and practices and constitutes the entire agreement of the parties.

29.2 During the negotiations leading to the execution of this Agreement, the parties had a full opportunity to submit all items appropriate to collective bargaining. The union expressly waives the right to submit any additional item for bargaining during the term of this Agreement, whether or not the item was discussed, submitted, or contemplated during the negotiations leading to the execution of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 30 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

30.1 Except as limited by the specific provisions of this written Agreement, the Employer retains and reserves all its rights to:

30.1.A Determine matters of inherent managerial policy which include, but are not limited to areas of discretion or policy such as the functions and programs of the public employer, standards of services, its overall budget, utilization of technology and organizational structure;

30.1.B Direct, supervise, evaluate, or hire employees;

30.1.C Maintain and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of governmental operations;

30.1.D Determine the overall methods, process, means, or personnel by which governmental operations are to be conducted;

30.1.E Suspend, discipline, demote, or discharge for just cause, or lay-off, transfer, assign, schedule, promote, or retain employees;

30.1.F Determine the adequacy of the work force;

30.1.G Determine the overall mission of the employer as a unit of government;

30.1.H Effectively manage the work force;

30.1.I Take actions to carry out the mission of the public employer as a governmental unit.

30.2 Management rights set forth above shall not be impaired by an arbitration award or otherwise except to the extent that they are limited by specific provisions of this Agreement. Failure to exercise a right, or exercising it in a particular way shall not be deemed a waiver of any management right. Management may exercise any or all of the management rights set forth in this Article without prior negotiation with or agreement of the OPBA.

ARTICLE 31 - SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY (Drug and Alcohol Testing)

31.1 Purpose.

The Sheriff recognizes the adverse effects illegal drug and alcohol abuse can have on the Sheriff s, offices, its services and the organization as a whole. It is also the Sheriff's right, obligation and intent to maintain a safe, healthful, and efficient work environment for all Sheriff Office employees, and to protect the Sheriff's property, equipment, operations, constituents and image. Accordingly, the Sheriff has adopted this substance abuse policy to help prevent any such adverse effects and to ensure a drug and alcohol-free working environment.

Under this policy, the Sheriff expects all deputies to refrain from being under the influence of illegal drugs and alcohol while on the job or on its premises. The Sheriff also expects all deputies to refrain from using, possessing, selling, purchasing, receiving or distributing illegal drugs or alcohol while on the job or on its premises, and to refrain from off-the-job use of illegal drugs or alcohol in a manner which affects job performance or threatens the safety or property of other employees or the Sheriff.

In addition, this policy reaffirms the Sheriff's commitment to treatment and rehabilitation. The Sheriff strongly encourages employees who have a drug or alcohol-related problem to voluntarily seek confidential assistance through the Sheriff's designated Employee Assistance Program (EAP) or another appropriate program.

31.2 Policy.

31.2.A Definitions.

"Drug" means: A chemical substance, including alcohol, that produces physical, mental, emotional or behavioral change in the user.

"Illegal" drug means:

(a) Drugs which are not legally obtainable;
(b) Drugs which are legally obtainable but have been obtained or are used illegally; or
(c) Drugs which are not used for the purpose for which they are prescribed or manufactured.
(d) Includes, in addition to others: marijuana, cocaine, opiates (morphine, heroin, codeine), amphetamines, benzodiazepines, barbiturates and phencyclidine (pcp).

"Legal drug" means: Prescription drugs and over-the-counter drugs legally obtained and used for the purpose for which they are prescribed or manufactured.

"On the job" means: During working hours and/or on Sheriff's Office premises, and includes break, lunch and/or dinner periods, regardless of whether the employee is actually on Sheriff's Office premises.

"Positive or failed" drug or alcohol test means: One which determines the presence of illegal drugs or alcohol in urine, blood, breath or saliva at a level and/or in an amount which is prohibited under the federal Department of Transportation's controlled substance and alcohol testing rules applicable to drivers of commercial motor vehicles and in effect at the time of the test.

"Under the influence" means: The presence of illegal drugs, or alcohol in an employee's blood, breath, saliva or urine at a level and/or in an amount which is prohibited under the federal Department of Transportation's controlled substance and alcohol testing rules applicable to drivers of commercial motor vehicles and in effect at the time of the incident in question.

"Reasonable cause" means: A belief that illegal drug or alcohol use is influencing an employee's behavior, appearance, job performance, attendance, or fitness for duty, and/or that the corrections officer is using, possessing, selling, purchasing, receiving or distributing illegal drugs or alcohol while on the job or while on Sheriff's Office premises, and/or that the corrections officer is using illegal drugs or alcohol off-the-job in a manner which affects job performance or threatens the safety or property of other employees or the Sheriff's Office.

"Random testing" means: Selection of a deputy from a pool of other deputies to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test, which is made regardless of whether any suspicion of illegal drug or alcohol use exists, and which is based on an equal probability of selection. Note: all deputies, including those selected previously, have an equal chance of being selected each time random selection occurs; this means any corrections officer may be selected more than once while others have not been selected.

31.3 Drug and Alcohol Rules and Discipline.

31.3.A Employee Use of Drugs or Alcohol.

Deputies who are under the influence of, or who use, possess, sell, purchase, receive or distribute illegal drugs or alcohol while on the job or while on Sheriff's Office premises are subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the con6ct or mandatory referral to EAP.

Deputies who use illegal drugs or alcohol off-the-job in a manner which (a) affects job performance; or (b) threatens the safety or property of other employees or the Sheriff's Office are subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the contract or mandatory referral to EAP.

31.3.B Drug and Alcohol Testing.

(a) Coverage.

The Sheriff reserves the right to require any deputy to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test as a condition of employment in any bargaining unit position.

(b) Reasonable Cause

The Sheriff may require a deputy to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test if it has any reason to suspect or to believe that the deputy (a) is under the influence of illegal drugs or alcohol while on the job or while on Sheriff's Office premises; (b) is using, possessing, selling, purchasing, receiving or distributing illegal drugs or alcohol while on the job or while on Sheriff's Office premises; or (c) is using illegal drugs or alcohol off-the-job in a manner which affects job performance or threatens the safety or property of other employees or the Sheriff's Office.

(c) Post-Incident Testing.

The Sheriff requires a deputy involved in any incident on work time which causes property damage or personal injury requiring off-site treatment, or an incident or shooting off Sheriff's Office premises while on the job or involving the use of County's vehicles or equipment, to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test.

(d) Leave of Absence Testing.

The Sheriff may require all deputies returning from a leave of absence of six (6) months or more to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test. Such deputies must successfully pass the test, subject to the rules and discipline of this policy, as a condition of returning to work. This rule does not apply to deputies returning from a vacation.

(e) Random.

The Sheriff may require any or all of its deputies to submit to random testing for illegal drugs or alcohol.

(f) Testing is Discretionary.

IMPORTANT: all of the above drug and/or alcohol testing is discretionary, and this policy in no way limits the Sheriff's right to discipline or discharge a deputy for illegal drug or alcohol-related reasons without requiring a drug and/or alcohol test, such as based on observed use, possession, sale, or being under the influence of illegal drugs or alcohol, and/or due to some other violation of this contract.

(g) Procedures and Discipline.

Deputies required to submit to a drug and/or alcohol test who refuse to consent to testing, sign the appropriate forms and/or comply with all sample collection and chain-of-custody procedures are subject to disciplinary action, including immediate discharge.

Deputies -- including deputies required to submit to post-accident testing, physical exam testing, or who are returning from a (6) month layoff or leave of absence -- who fail to pass any drug and/or alcohol test are subject to disciplinary action, including referral to the Sheriff's designated EAP.

Deputies who are not terminated for a first violation of this policy but who commit a second violation of any aspect of this policy will be subject to non-discretionary and automatic termination of their employment, subject to their appeal rights pursuant to the grievance procedure contained herein.

With respect to deputies required to submit to "reasonable cause" or "post-incident" testing, in most cases such deputies will be removed from employment and will remain off duty without pay pending the Sheriff's receipt of the deputies' drug and/or alcohol test result. Deputies removed from employment and required to submit to such a drug and/or alcohol test - but who pm the drug and/or alcohol test -- will be permitted to return to work following the Sheriff's determination that they can still safely and properly perform their job. Such deputies also will receive back pay equivalent to the amount the Sheriff would have paid the deputy had the deputy not been removed from employment. For " post- incident" testing, and depending on the nature of the employee's injury (if any), such back pay entitlement is subject to and may be superseded by the contract.

31.3.C Prescription and Over-the-Counter Drug Use.

The Sheriff does not prohibit deputies from using prescription or over-the-counter drugs, provided: (a) the prescription drugs are prescribed for medical reasons by a licensed medical practitioner, dosage, frequency prescribed on the label; and (b) the deputy's use of prescription or over-the-counter drugs does not affect job performance or threaten the safety or property of other deputies or the Sheriff.

The Sheriff reserves the right to apply the disciplinary procedures of this policy, including requiring a drug and/or alcohol test, to any deputy who uses prescription or over-the-counter drugs in a manner which violates this rule.

31.3.D Deputy Assistance.

(a) Voluntary Submission to EAP.

Any deputy of the Sheriff's Office who has developed an addiction to, dependence on, or other recurring problem with illegal drugs or alcohol should voluntarily seek assistance by writing, calling or visiting the Sheriff's Office designated EAP or another appropriate deputy assistance program. All voluntary inquiries will be held in confidence to the extent practicable. IMPORTANT: deputies who first violate this Substance Abuse Policy and then seek voluntary assistance will not avoid discipline and/or discharge under this contract.

(b) Discretionary Referral to EAP.

Where the Sheriff determines that a deputy is in violation of this Substance Abuse Policy, in lieu of immediate discharge the Sheriff may -- but within his sole discretion -- refer the deputy to the Sheriff's designated EAP, for assessment and evaluation of whether the deputy is addicted to, dependent on, or has a recurring problem with illegal drugs or alcohol. Deputies referred to EAP who are found to have an addiction to, dependence on, or recurring problem with illegal drugs or alcohol may be required -- as a condition of continued employment -- to successfully complete any outpatient or inpatient treatment and rehabilitation program, and any and all follow-up care, including any random drug and/or alcohol testing, established for them and/or to which they are referred by EAP. Any deputy who refuses such referral to EAP or any treatment program, rejects or leaves treatment, fails to abide by all aspects of his or her treatment program, including random drug and/or alcohol testing and any and all other follow-up care, is subject to disciplinary action, including immediate discharge.

Note: each and every random or follow up drug and/or alcohol test to which a deputy is required to submit as a result of his or her referral to EAP under this provision must be conducted by the laboratory with which the Sheriff already contracts, or by another laboratory which the Sheriff has approved in advance of any such testing. Deputies must pay the total cost of each and every such random or follow up, drug and/or alcohol test. Such payment normally will occur through a payroll deduction, unless other arrangements with the Sheriff are made in advance. Any deputy who refuses or fails to submit to any such test or pay the cost of any such test will be subject to disciplinary action, including immediate discharge.

(c) Time Off for Inpatient Treatment.

Deputies referred by EAP or another appropriate deputy assistance program for inpatient treatment and rehabilitation may be entitled to use any paid leave days, or obtain an unpaid leave of absence, pursuant to the contract, during the period of inpatient treatment. This policy does not, however, alter, amend or modify any of the vacation, personal days, or leave of absence policies under the contract, or grant deputies any more time off than that already permitted.

ARTICLE 32 - DURATION

This Agreement shall be effective from through from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2013.

OHIO PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

By: _____

Date: 12-13-11

DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF

By: _____

Date: 12/5/11