

TEXAS FORENSIC SCIENCE COMMISSION

Justice Through Science

MEETING AGENDA

December 2, 2015 11:00 a.m.

Stephen F. Austin Building 1700 North Congress Avenue, Room 170 Austin, Texas 78701

The Commission may meet in closed session on any item listed below, if authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Annotated, Chapter 551. During this meeting, the Commission may consider and take action on the following items. The Commission may take breaks as needed:

- 1. Review and discuss licensing requirements as set forth in Texas Code of Criminal Procedure §§ 4-a, 4-b and 4-c.
- 2. Review nominations for licensing advisory panel submitted by the Texas Association of Crime Laboratory Directors, Texas Criminal Defense Lawyer's Association and Texas District and County Attorney's Association.
- 3. Establish licensing advisory panel pursuant to Texas Code of Criminal Procedure § 4-b.
- 4. Schedule and location of first licensing advisory panel meeting and any future FSC licensing program committee meetings.
- 5. Discuss status of DNA Mixture Interpretation Review, including:
 - a. Laboratory progress—protocols, case reviews and training;
 - b. Process flowchart and TDCAA notice;
 - c. Defense counsel resources;
 - d. Guidance for public dissemination;
 - e. Training for lawyers and scientists; and
 - f. Resources needed to implement review project.
- 6. Discuss extension of assistant general counsel staff to permanent status.
- 7. Review and approve edits to 37 Texas Administrative Code Part 15, Chapter 651 for purposes of ensuring consistency in terminology and statutory references.
- 8. Review and discuss annual report posted on December 1st pursuant to Texas Code of Criminal Procedure § 8.
- 9. Public Comment.
- 10. Adjourn.