



Oregon Board of Parole

& POST-PRISON SUPERVISION

Board Business Meeting Minutes Monday January 24, 2011

Call to Order and Note of Attendance: The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m., and note of attendance was made: Chair Aaron Felton, Executive Director Jeremiah Stromberg, Board Member Candace Wheeler, Vice Chair Darcey Baker, Department of Corrections Director Max Williams, Department of Corrections Community Corrections Chief Mark Cadotte, Department of Corrections Deputy Compact Administrator Dawn Persels, Michelle Mooney, and guest Lynda Beecher.

Approval of December 20, 2010, and January 10, 2011, meeting minutes: Minutes approved as submitted.

DOC Update:

- **Budget:** DOC is currently implementing the budget approaches taken since the allotment reductions. DOC returned to the Legislature to discuss the outstanding money that will be needed to continue operations until the end of the biennium. During the allotment reduction process DOC was required to cut all designated funds from its budget, based on assurances from the Governor's Office and Legislative leadership that enough money would be returned to the agency in future E-Board actions to ensure inmate-releases would not occur. The Legislature recently authorized a payment of \$15 million to restore partial funding, and the plan is that the remaining \$28 million will be addressed when the Legislature reconvenes in February. The Legislative E-Board restored \$9.9 million in funding to Community Corrections to return funding to baseline level.
- **Mental Health Realignment:** DOC has revamped how they handle the mental health population. The IMU Unit at the Penitentiary has been changed to a special housing unit for primarily mental health inmates. Most of the inmates have now been moved and the facilities updated to accommodate the new population.

Chairperson Comments:

- **Budget:** The Governor's Balanced Budgets will be released on February 1, 2011.
- **New Legislation:** Jeremiah and Aaron are tracking all new legislation and monitoring bills that might impact the Board.

Old Business:

- **OAR 255 Division 36:** The Board reviewed this rule at the last rule revision meeting. The Board proposed some updates and grammatical corrections. The draft from the previous meeting was presented and reviewed. The Board made a few more small reference updates and deferred adopting the rule until the next meeting when a final draft will be presented.

New Business:

- **Web Stats:** Marshall ran reports to view statistical data about our website. The reports contained information about which pages received the most hits, how long people viewed each page, and how many people went to multiple pages before leaving the site.
- **Compact Offenders:** There was some confusion regarding inactive supervision that stemmed from an administrative review filed by an offender. All compact offenders must remain on active supervision while out of state. The other area that the Board wanted clarification on was regarding offenders who are in another state on abscond status, and request the Board lift their warrant due to medical issues. The Board reviews these on a case by case basis, and has in the past lifted the warrants and advised the offender to work with the local authorities to become a compact offender. However, the compact rules do not allow for offenders to compact if they are not in compliance with their supervision, and the offender can not be in the receiving state at the time of the transfer. Even though some states will go forward with the process, the rules state they do not have to. The Board will continue to review these on a case by case basis and will work directly with the Compact Office prior to making a decision.
- **Confidential Workgroup Update:** The group met two weeks ago and discussed confidential documents, and the psychological evaluation documents. The group reviewed possible ethical obligations and conflicts. Dr. Eric Johnson, a juvenile psychologist and sex offender treatment provider was in attendance to talk to the group and provide input into. A few other new members were invited to join the workgroup.
- **Hearing Structure:** The current schedule for hearings have been full and the hearing days have been going long. Aaron would like to evaluate a way to efficiently conduct the hearings and schedule them. In addition, represented staff need to be afforded time to take breaks and lunches. The Board will change their scripts slightly and work together to minimize asking duplicate questions. The Board will adhere to the following tentative time table for scheduling hearings:
 - 1.5 hours for exit interview hearings
 - 1.5 hours dangerous offender hearings
 - 1 hour for personal review hearings
 - 1 hour for predatory designation hearings

- 1 hour for future disposition hearings
- 3 hours for murder review hearings
- Adding ½ hour to the above schedule when an interpreter is needed

Future Board Meetings:

March 28, 2011

April 25, 2011

May 22, 2011

Meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.