



Oregon Board of Parole & Post-Prison Supervision

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Board Business Meeting

January 27, 2020

Location: Rogue Conference Rm

Attendees: Susi Hodgins, Dylan Arthur, Patty Cress, Greta Lowry, Rachael Hunter, John Bailey, James Taylor, Hank Harris, Jeremiah Stromberg

Recorder: Rachael Hunter

AGENDA ITEMS

Call to order / Note of attendance

Discussion:

- Dylan Arthur – Executive Director
- Introduction of attendees

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Discussion:

- James - meeting minutes from last month adopted
- Greta - seconded

Chairperson's Comments

Owner: Michael Hsu

Discussion:

- N/A (Board Chair not in attendance)

Board Member Comments

Owner: Patty Cress / Greta Lowry / James Taylor / John Bailey

Discussion:

- Greta – Judy Bell from DOC (Department of Corrections) will be visiting the Board to staff how to best navigate the DOC400.
- John- The Pathfinders presentation that was scheduled for Thursday this week has been cancelled and has been tentatively rescheduled for the last week of February.
- James- requests regular update regarding the Board's budget.

Executive Director Comments

Owner: Dylan Arthur

Discussion:

- A permanent administrative order was filed and approved to amend OAR 255-085-0020. This amendment will include assessment methodology regarding how the Board assesses sex offender levels; particularly for historic registrants and female registrants.
Meaning the Board can automatically place an historic or female registrant, to a level one if they have no recent criminal convictions, no subsequent sex crimes, no person felonies, no A misdemeanors, and for females this additionally includes no child abuse/neglect and no history of promoting prostitution anywhere in their history.
- The board is in the process of reviewing rules for the different types of board hearings; the hope is to streamline those rules into one rule for all hearings. We are also looking at including language from SB1008 that will outline juveniles that were sentenced in adult court will be eligible for hearings after fifteen years.
- The Board continues to work with Community Corrections on the SONL project to start providing static-99 assessments on individuals that are currently on supervision and on the registry that don't have a notification level yet. This will help the board catch up on the backlog of historic registrants those placed on the registry prior to January 1, 2014; there are 2500 individuals currently on supervision and the registry of those 1800 have not been leveled.
Josephine County and Clackamas County are both helping to pilot this project, between these two counties 10 assessments have been completed.

New Business

Dylan:

- Website is being updated to include examples of different reports and forms (i.e. warrant requests, sanctions, consent to modify, etc.) used by community corrections parole/probation officers that help outline the different information needed when submitting requests to the board for consideration.

John:

- Would like to propose a statutory change to the Oregon Revised Statutes that would allow Board staff, managers and board members to retain their PPO certifications; stating it would be a good recruitment tool and may attract more candidates for future employment with the Board. John met with DPSST regarding what trainings would be needed to maintain certification.

Proposal was accepted with the caveat to expand from only PPO certifications to other types of law enforcement certifications.

Susi:

- The Executive Team is in discussions with DOJ (Department of Justice) to help change statute to include the Parole Board as a recognized P&R (Police & Fire) agency or allow those coming to the Board from a P&R agency be allowed to maintain it; which would also be a great incentive for recruitment.

Department of Corrections Update

Owner: Jeremiah Stromberg

- DOC did a cost study analysis for community corrections during the last legislative session which revealed around a \$50 million short-fall, for which DOC was allocated \$0 by the end of that session. However, DOC and the Governor's office have met and communicated the need to push forward a package in the short session for \$25 million to help right the personnel costs within the 36 counties and provide \$10 million toward continuing services and supports.

There is a meeting with the tri-chairs Sen Johnson, Senator Steiner- Hayward and Representative Dan Rayfield. In hopes to get their support in allocating the \$25 million to community corrections. Should the funds be granted, counties would submit reports to DOC illustrating how they would spend their portion of the funds and DOC would allocate those funds accordingly.

- Community Corrections is working with the Urban Institute studying earned discharge and how it is being utilized. Next week, the Urban Institute will start doing site visits in numerous counties and meeting with a variety of stakeholders to analyze data, outcomes and numbers. The goal is to have an idea of how effective earned discharge is for helping individuals not recidivate.
- Community Correction is overseeing FASP (Family Alternative Sentencing Program) which is a probationary program that diverts single parents coming from prison to probation with intense wrap-a-round services in five counties. The CJC (Criminal Justice Commission) just finished a twin study looking at the first 100 or so individuals who completed the program. It was found that went through the FASP program had a %17 lower recidivism rate. We will be releasing a public report of findings around the study and the rest of the program by the end of the week.

Future Board Meetings

Discussion:

- February 18, 2020 is our next scheduled board business meeting

Meeting adjourned 11:00 am