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Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision

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Board Business Meeting

Via Video

In attendance:

Board: Vice Chair J. Bailey; Board members J. Taylor, R. Kleiwer, K. Kuklenski; Executive Director D. Arthur; Policy analyst P. Waddell; Operations Manager S. Hodgins; Executive Support R. Williams

DOC: A. Bertram, J. Stromberg

AGENDA / MINUTES

Call to order and note of attendance

- Meeting called to Order by at 10:02 by Vice Chair J. Bailey.
- Attendance Noted
- Approval of meeting minutes / Old business
 - Attendee's reviewed and approved minutes from 3.20.23 from the Board.

New business

- No new business to discuss

Board Chair comments

- Board updates: Our newest Hearings Officer is still undergoing training and getting up to speed with the Board nicely.

Board member comments

- No Comments.

Legislative updates

- Work session in front of ways and means at 3pm today (5.15.23) for Senate Bill 5528.
- Public hearing in house judiciary is scheduled for Senate Bill 951 tomorrow (5.16.23) – which Extends police and fire benefits to certified parole and probation officers that work for the Board. The following day, there is a work session for this Bill.
- Other bills the Board was tracking: Senate Bill 520 – Early Medical Release appears to still be in ways and means, with no news of any updates. Senate Bill 1027 – which would change the parole board hearings process, did not make it out of Senate Judiciary, and will not be moving forward. Sen. Prozanski did however say he would like to get together a work group to then move it forward potentially in a future session.



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Operations & Policy Analyst Comments

- None currently.

Department of Corrections update

- A. Bertrand Reports Melanie Reischke was hired as release services manager Behind Hank Harris. She will be reaching out to Board Member Kuklenski to invite her to the next Release planning group meeting to share the recent Court of Appeals decision.
- Promise Parker was hired in a developmental position that will supervise the transition coordination team.
- Lastly A. Bertrand reports there is a meeting tomorrow (5.16.23), with Ms. Bertrand, the Communications team at DOC and with the Board of Parole to discuss high profile releases and try to develop a communication process both for decisions on releases as well as hearings coming up to get ahead of the media inquiries and develop a strategy for dealing with those questions and concerns.
- J. Stromberg reports Community Corrections Administrator Brooke Vice has been hired, from Washington county where she was a long-term Manager and will be coming in behind Larry Bennet.
- DOC budget has not been scheduled yet for a work session yet. Larger Agencies have yet to be set up yet. DOC is looking at a possible budget reduction that would be the largest in the History of Community Corrections, a potential 40 million overall reduction. With the fact that Community Corrections is Case Driven and factors like the Pandemic, Ballot Measure 110, the vacancy rates of Attorneys (both prosecution and defense) are the primary contributors. Probation is starting to tick back up, so there is a concerted effort from Both DOC and the counties to work with Legislators to see about bridging with stability Funding in the transitory phase, until cases of local control and post prison see an increase again. DOC is seeing a rise in intake numbers, but with the average stay being 36 months, roughly there will be some that stability funding will help in the meantime.
- A number of Counties are starting their possible layoff process. Linn Co. for example would have a shortfall of 2 million if these changes were to take place, with no county general fund monies. The lists of seniority and other factors are being verified if there were to take place. J. Stromberg wanted this to be known by the Board, as caseloads and workload would certainly increase from said counties with fewer officers. This change would also result in a reduction of services in these counties, most likely as well.

Next Board Business Meeting scheduled for:

July 17, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Video