

# Corrections Policy Committee Minutes

## May 13, 2025

The Corrections Policy Committee of the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training held a regular meeting on May 13, 2025, at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem, Oregon. Chair, Matthew English called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### **Committee Members:**

Matthew English, Chair, Oregon State Sheriff's Association  
Jennifer Cameron, Vice Chair, Non-Management Parole & Probation  
Josh Aldrich, Oregon State Sheriff's Command Council (Teams)  
Mark Boren, Public Member  
Laurie Frasco, DOC, AFSCME  
John Frost, DOC, Non-Management Corrections (Teams)  
Mike Hartford, Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors  
Nick Hunter, Oregon State Sheriff's Association  
Ted Langley, Oregon Sheriff's Jail Command Council  
Michael Mays, Non-Management Department of Corrections (Teams)  
Brian Stephen, Oregon Dept. of Corrections Designee for Michael Reese, Director

### **Committee Members Absent:**

Margeux Bowden, DOC, Non-Management Corrections  
John Tabor, DOC Training Division

### **Guests:**

Chris Barnhart  
Bradley Herrera

### **DPSST Staff:**

Phil Castle, Director  
Kathy McAlpine, Deputy Director  
Marie Atwood, DPSST Legal Counsel  
Kathy Fink, Standards and Certification Program Manager  
Melissa Lang-Bacho, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator  
Jennifer Levario, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator  
Cindy Park, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator  
Jennifer Howald, Administrative Rules Coordinator  
Sam Tenney, Public Information Officer  
Erica Riddell, Criminal Justice Support Specialist  
Juan Lopez-Hernandez, Executive Support Specialist



### **1. Introductions**

Introductions of members, guests and staff.

2. **Approve February 11, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

*Nick Hunter moved to approve the February 11, 2025, Meeting Minutes as written. Jennifer Cameron seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

3. **Administrative Closure Consent Agenda**

Presented by Melissa Lang-Bacho, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

The Department presented recommendations to administratively close the following professional standards cases to the Corrections Policy Committee.

a) **Kessell, Bonnie (46671) Parole & Probation**

On June 30, 2022, Bonnie Kessell and Umatilla County Community Corrections (UCCC) reached a settlement agreement, separating Kessell from her employment after an internal investigation found her to be untruthful when she was questioned about a release of information.

On February 4, 2022, Kessell met with her supervisor and was asked if she talked to the CSS employee about the offender's investigation. Kessell responded, "No, no." Kessell was asked three times if she spoke with the CSS employee about the investigation and denied disclosing information each time. The third time, Kessell stated, "That's awful. Who would do that?" Approximately fifteen minutes later, Kessell sent a text message to her supervisor saying, "I mentioned that he was being charged, but no details. But it's vague and wasn't gossip."

Kessell said she disclosed that the offender was "being charged." Kessell denied remembering with any more clarity what exactly she said to the CSS employee, and details beyond Kessell's statement were not identified in the investigation. The CSS employee was not interviewed as a part of the investigation.

The investigator interviewed the CSS's daughter who was an employee at UCCC. The daughter confirmed that she told Kessell that Kessell was the one who shared information about the offender with her mom.

The Department found that Kessell did provide a false statement to her employer when she denied disclosing information to the CSS employee, however, in order for her statement to be considered a moral fitness violation, the Department would need to find that she made the false statement intentionally. Evidence in the internal investigation supports that Kessell's false statement was not intentional. Kessell stated that once she was told she disclosed the information she remembered making a brief statement to the CSS employee and shared that disclosure in a text message to her supervisor. Kessell's statement was supported by statements from the CSS's daughter. Kessell may have violated the moral fitness standards, but the Department lacks sufficient information to support the finding of intentional dishonesty.

b) **Lelek, Nathan (54004) Corrections**

On May 13, 2022, Lelek was arrested by the Yamhill County Sheriff's Office after he failed standardized field sobriety testing and provided a breath sample which tested as 0.15% BAC.

On June 28, 2022, Lelek pled guilty to *DUII* and entered into a diversion agreement. After completing the terms of his diversion, his case was dismissed on February 12, 2024.

On August 15, 2022, Lelek was placed on a Last Chance Agreement with his employer, the Washington County Community Corrections (WCCC), which required for a two-year period,

Lelek comply with the rules and regulations of the county, follow the law, and complete the terms of his diversion agreement for *Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants*.

In July of 2023, Lelek was placed on administrative leave while he was considered a person of interest in a criminal investigation. While Lelek was on administrative leave, his caseload was covered by his staff at the WCCC. Lelek's peers noted discrepancies and supervision that did not meet industry standards and reported the matter to his supervisor.

A review of Lelek's work performance was conducted while he was on administrative leave. Upon his return from leave in September, and no longer being a person of interest, Lelek was notified of the deficiencies in his work performance and was issued a pre-disciplinary letter. The WCCC documented that Lelek failed to consistently document all his contacts and actions with offenders in their reporting system and failed to notify the court of probation violations.

The Department determined that Lelek's arrest did not result in a criminal offense that requires committee review. The Department determined that Lelek's separation was for performance issues and not conduct that rose to the level of a moral fitness violation requiring committee review.

*Nick Hunter moved to remove Bonnie Kessell from the Administrative Closure Consent Agenda recommendations made by the Department and return it to the Corrections Policy Committee as a staff report. Brian Stephen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

*Brian Stephen moved to approve the remaining Administrative Closure Consent Agenda recommendations made by the Department. Mark Boren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

**4. Barnhart, Chris (42754) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Melissa Lang-Bacho, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On April 9, 2021, Chris Barnhart was terminated from the Department of Corrections (DOC) Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution (EOCI) after an investigation found that he had taken a vacation out of state without his children, while claiming Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave for COVID-19 childcare reasons.

*Chris Barnhart provided verbal mitigation for committee consideration.*

<i>Corrections Policy Committee Discussion/Consensus/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
A consensus was reached to adopt the record.			
The Corrections Policy Committee found the following moral fitness violations and factors:  <i>Moral Fitness Violations:</i>			

- Dishonesty: Barnhart intentionally took FMLA leave under false pretenses to travel for vacation purposes.
- Misuse of Authority: The committee did not identify sufficient information to make a finding of misuse of authority.
- Misconduct: Barnhart's misuse of public funds to take a personal paid vacation, threatened the credibility and efficient operations of the DOC.

*Aggravating Factors:*

- Barnhart's conduct was purposeful and was not a mistake.
- Barnhart relied on his mitigation letter during his verbal mitigation. In this letter, Barnhart seemed to place blame on the Superintendent for his termination because Barnhart was not allowed to repay the vacation time he took under false pretenses.
- Barnhart demonstrated no accountability for his actions, which were not a mistake; he intentionally extended his leave to take a personal vacation.
- If the post to Facebook with his photo out of state had not been made, the committee questioned if he would ever have taken accountability for his actions.
- Barnhart used leave under false pretenses, and his additional instances of traveling out of the country for vacations and quarantining for extended unplanned periods of time were aggravating because, at that time, the DOC was experiencing critically low staffing levels and required mandatory overtime to cover the absence.
- Barnhart's verbal mitigation statement took no responsibility; instead reflected that he does not want to be remembered for misusing leave.

*Mitigating Factors:*

- Barnhart was truthful during the internal affairs investigation.

A consensus was reached to confirm the identified aggravating and mitigating factors.

Brian Stephen moved that the Corrections Policy Committee affirm the moral fitness violations as presented.	Jennifer Cameron	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Brian Stephen moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standards and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Barnhart's certifications.	Mike Hartford	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Nick Hunter moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Barnhart be ineligible to hold	Laurie Frasco	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

public safety certification for 10 Years.			
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**5. Barrier, Phillip (60490) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Melissa Lang-Bacho, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On March 8, 2022, Phillip Barrier resigned from his position with the Lane County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) during an investigation into allegations that he fell asleep while on duty, failed to complete welfare checks of Adults in Custody (AIC), and then falsified records to reflect that he had completed checks while he was asleep.

During the review of Barrier's separation from employment, the Department identified additional criminal citations that were not previously reviewed or reported to the Department. On December 2, 2021, while still employed, Barrier was issued criminal citations for *Reckless Driving and Hit and Run – Vehicle Damage*, misdemeanor charges. On June 23, 2022, Barrier entered a plea of no contest to *Reckless Driving*. The *Hit and Run* charge was dismissed without a conviction. On November 28, 2023, no longer employed, Barrier was issued criminal citations for *Reckless Driving and Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUI)*, misdemeanor charges. On January 22, 2024, Barrier entered a plea of guilt to both charges.

<i>Corrections Policy Committee Discussion/Consensus/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
A consensus was reached to adopt the record.			
<p>The Corrections Policy Committee found the following moral fitness violations and factors:</p> <p><i>Moral Fitness Violations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dishonesty: Barrier intentionally falsified records to reflect that he conducted observation checks of AICs at 0300 hours, a time when he was asleep. Barrier intentionally falsified records to reflect that he conducted checks on eight AICs at 0300 hours when he did not check on all eight AICs.</li> </ul> <p>Barrier was intentionally dishonest with police officers when he provided multiple false stories as to how his vehicle was in a crash.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Misuse of Authority: The committee did not identify elements of misuse of authority.</li> <li>• Misconduct: When Barrier failed to check on AICs as required, he threatened the efficient operations of the LCSO. Barrier's conduct harmed the safety and security of the facility and the AICs and put the LCSO in a position of great detriment by not performing legally required welfare checks on the adults in their custody.</li> </ul>			

Barrier violated criminal law and received criminal dispositions for two counts *Reckless Driving* and *DUII*.

Barrier threatened or harmed persons and property when he recklessly crashed into two vehicles, causing property damage and endangered the people around him.

*Aggravating Factors:*

- Barrier did not report his criminal citations to the Department.
- Barrier was previously counseled for sleeping while on duty.
- Barrier's multiple criminal acts are aggravating factors.
- Barrier was forced to take accountability for his actions, and did not willingly take accountability for his actions.
- Barrier's dishonesty is related to a core function for corrections officers.
- In lying about a core function, Barrier violated the public's trust.
- Some of the AICs Barrier failed to record a check on were on suicide or intoxication observation statuses, which elevated the risk of not checking on these AICs.
- Barrier had a duty to protect the AICs he was required to check on.
- Barrier has a pattern of dishonesty both on and off the job.
- The stories Barrier concocted about the vehicle crash demonstrate a clear intent to manipulate the situation.
- Barrier disregarded others when failing to check on AICs.
- Barrier disregarded others when he struck vehicles, and made no attempt to contact the owners of the vehicles.
- Barrier's repeated dishonesty would render him unable to testify in court, which is a core function of a corrections officer.

*Mitigating Factors:*

- The committee did not identify any mitigating factors

A consensus was reached to confirm the identified aggravating and mitigating factors.

Brian Stephen moved that the Corrections Policy Committee affirm the moral fitness violations as presented.	Ted Langley	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Nick Hunter moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standards and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case,	Laurie Frasco	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

that Board action should be taken against Barrier's certifications.			
Nick Hunter moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Barrier be ineligible to hold public safety certification for a lifetime.	Brian Stephen	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

**6. Collins, Peter (49894) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Melissa Lang-Bacho, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On May 22, 2023, Peter Collins was terminated from the Douglas County Sheriff's Office (DCSO) following an investigation into his failure to complete state required security checks of Adults in Custody (AIC), while recording that he completed the checks.

<i>Corrections Policy Committee Discussion/Consensus/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
A consensus was reached to return this case to DPSST staff as there was additional information regarding criminal charges identified by the committee.			

**7. Damon, James (44535) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Melissa Lang-Bacho, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On March 26, 2023, James Damon resigned from the Department of Corrections (DOC), South Fork Forest Camp (SFFC), during an investigation with substantiated findings that he falsified check and count records to reflect that he conducted checks that he did not complete.

<i>Corrections Policy Committee Discussion/Consensus/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
A consensus was reached to adopt the record.			
<p>The Corrections Policy Committee found the following moral fitness violations and factors:</p> <p><i>Moral Fitness Violations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dishonesty: Damon intentionally falsified DOC records to reflect that required counts or checks were completed when they had not been conducted.</li> <li>• Misuse of Authority: The committee/Department did not identify sufficient information to make a finding of misuse of authority.</li> <li>• Misconduct: Damon failed to conduct counts and checks on people in custody of the DOC, which threatened the safety of the DOC facility, the community, and the people in their custody.</li> </ul>			

<p><i>Aggravating Factors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Damon had 19 years of experience as a corrections officer, which aggravated his failure to conduct required checks, a core function of a corrections officer.</li> <li>• Damon did not just fail to conduct checks one time; there were nine instances identified.</li> <li>• Damon exhibited a pattern of behavior by failing to conduct checks on multiple occasions.</li> <li>• Damon did not take accountability for his actions during the investigation.</li> <li>• Damon intentionally did not conduct checks.</li> <li>• Damon asked for similar treatment to those who have missed checks in the past, and knew the potential consequences of his actions, but chose to do it anyway.</li> </ul> <p><i>Mitigating Factors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The committee did not identify any mitigating factors.</li> </ul>			
<p>A consensus was reached to confirm the identified aggravating and mitigating factors.</p>			
Jennifer Cameron moved that the Corrections Policy Committee affirm the moral fitness violations as presented.	Mark Boren	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Josh Aldrich moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standards and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Damon's certifications.	Ted Langley	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Brian Stephen moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Damon be ineligible to hold public safety certification for a lifetime.	Nick Hunter	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

**8. Herrera, Bradley (48961) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Cindy Park, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

A case was opened by the DPSST after receiving an Application for Training (F5) and Criminal History reporting form (F28) in which Herrera disclosed previous criminal dispositions that occurred after his previous employment as a public safety professional. On October 3, 2014, Herrera was found guilty by a jury for the offense of Reckless Driving, a Class A Misdemeanor, committed on or about July 24, 2014. On May 2, 2022, Herrera pled



no contest to the offense of Harassment, related to an offense committed on or about February 2, 2022.

The F5 and F28 were received by the DPSST on February 6, 2025, related to Herrera's recent employment as a correctional officer with the Harney County Sheriff's Office. Herrera was previously employed as a correctional officer with the Oregon Department of Corrections from November 5, 2007, until February 12, 2008. Herrera's prior employment as a public safety professional requires the review of his pre-employment criminal dispositions to be conducted by the Corrections Policy Committee (CPC).

*Bradley Herrera provided verbal mitigation for committee consideration.*

*Following the committee recommendation, the Department was notified that Herrera had resigned his position with the Harney County Sheriff's Office. Herrera did not obtain certification prior to his resignation and is no longer employed in public safety. In these circumstances, the Department is required to defer the completion of the process until Herrera is rehired as a certified public safety professional.*

<i>Corrections Policy Committee Discussion/Consensus/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
A consensus was reached to adopt the record.			
<p>The Corrections Policy Committee found the following moral fitness violations and factors:</p> <p><i>Moral Fitness Violations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dishonesty- In his 2014 <i>Reckless Driving</i> criminal disposition, Herrera was intentionally dishonest when he provided untruthful statements to police, which were contrary to the consistent statements made by the victim and several witnesses.</li><li>• Misuse of Authority: The Committee/Department did not identify sufficient information to make a finding of misuse of authority.</li><li>• Misconduct: Herrera violated criminal law and has criminal dispositions for <i>Reckless Driving</i> and <i>Harassment</i>. Herrera threatened another person by nearly striking them with this vehicle multiple times. Herrera harmed another person when he subjected them to offensive physical contact.</li></ul> <p><i>Aggravating Factors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The two criminal convictions show a pattern of behavior, with a significant time between the two incidents.</li><li>• There was dishonesty in the 2014 <i>Reckless Driving</i> incident. How Herrera reported the incident to the police was contrary to consistent statements made by the victim and several witnesses.</li><li>• Herrera still feels justified in what he did regarding the <i>Harassment</i> conviction.</li></ul>			

- Herrera has engaged in repeated incidents of anger, resulting in legal consequences.
- The conviction of *Harassment* was only three years ago.
- A comment Herrera made in his verbal mitigation statement was that law enforcement was “not effective”, and he needed to take matters into his own hands.
- Herrera is seeking certification as a corrections deputy, a position where he will be working with sex offenders on a daily basis, after outwardly stating law enforcement was not effective.
- Herrera’s verbal mitigation indicates a bias toward individuals with convictions for sex offenses, and having to work with those individuals daily could be problematic.
- Both criminal convictions involved violence or threats of violence.
- The written mitigation submitted by the hiring agency is not a mitigating factor; in the letter, the 2014 incident is disregarded, but is significant due to the element of dishonesty that is involved.

*Mitigating Factors:*

- The hiring agency wrote a letter to the committee on Herrera’s behalf.
- Herrera disclosed the criminal convictions on his applications and was honest.
- Herrera stated that going forward, he would act within the law and use the courts.
- Herrera attended anger management.
- Herrera attended a recovery program and continues in the program and counseling.

A consensus was reached to confirm the identified aggravating and mitigating factors.

Nick Hunter moved that the Corrections Policy Committee modify the moral fitness violations as presented to include dishonesty.	Ted Langley	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Nick Hunter moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board’s moral fitness standards and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against Herrera’s certifications.	Mike Hartford	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

Nick Hunter moved, after considering the totality of the case, that Herrera be ineligible to hold public safety certification for 10 years.	Brian Stephen	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
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9. **White, Justin (53769) Certification Review: Corrections**

Presented by Jennifer Levario, Professional Standards Compliance Coordinator

**UPDATE:** *The Department became aware after the meeting that the link provided to Justin White to provide verbal mitigation was the wrong link. Therefore, the Department decided to allow Mr. White the opportunity to provide verbal mitigation at the August 12, 2025, CPC. Because of this, the Board will not be reviewing this case until the December 23, 2025, meeting. The following is for informational and record-keeping purposes.*

*Additionally, a change was made to the staff report related to the ineligibility start date. The date should reflect the Board's Review date of July 24, 2025. Since there were 19 months and 14 days of separation from employment related to the moral fitness violations, this time would be credited to that start date. The start date for ineligibility would then technically be December 10, 2023.*

*Reason for Discretionary Review*

On April 10, 2019, Justin White was terminated from the Oregon Department of Corrections/Two Rivers Correctional Institution (ODOC/TRCI) for declining to fulfill an overtime request and receiving a *Driving While Under the Influence (DUI)* and *Reckless Driving* in Washington State on November 10, 2018. White grieved his termination, and it went to arbitration.

While under review for this separation and criminal disposition, the Department became aware of a criminal disposition White had not reported while employed with the ODOC. White was cited for *Failure to Stop, Give Information, or Aid*, a misdemeanor, on March 12, 2016, in Prosser, Washington. White entered a plea of not guilty to this charge and received a diverted sentence. The charge was dismissed on June 13, 2017, as White had completed his deferral conditions.

On November 11, 2021, the arbitrator found that although White did engage in misconduct, the ODOC did not engage in the proper progressive disciplinary process prior to termination. The arbitrator reinstated White to employment.

On November 17, 2021, White entered a plea of guilty to *Reckless Driving* from the November 10, 2018, arrest, a gross misdemeanor in the State of Washington, as part of a plea agreement amending the *DUI*, and was convicted. White was sentenced to 364 days in jail, 361 suspended, a \$500.00 fine, and was placed on probation for two (2) years. White was required to attend alcohol and drug treatment and pay all other fines and fees. On December 27, 2021, White was reinstated with the ODOC/TRCI. On the F4 Personnel Action – Hire form, Section 11(d) was marked “no”, indicating that no convictions or pending criminal matters were discovered as part of the background investigation. White was transferred to the ODOC/Eastern Oregon Correctional Facility on September 3, 2022.

<i>Corrections Policy Committee Discussion/Consensus/Vote</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Vote</i>	<i>Outcome</i>
A consensus was reached to adopt the record.			
<p>The Corrections Policy Committee found the following moral fitness violations and factors:</p> <p><i>Moral Fitness Violations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dishonesty: The committee did not identify sufficient information to support a finding of dishonesty.</li> <li>• Misuse of Authority: The committee did not identify sufficient information to support a finding of misuse of authority.</li> <li>• Misconduct: White violated criminal law while employed as a corrections officer and admitted to driving under the influence of alcohol. White's conduct threatened harm to people and property and violated the Criminal Justice Code of Ethics. White violated several laws while employed as a corrections officer, which threatened harm to people and property. The totality of which, along with the DUI and Reckless Driving charges, evidenced a disregard for the traffic laws for both the State of Oregon and the State of Washington. As a corrections officer, White was responsible for holding Adults in Custody accountable for their actions related to rules and laws. Corrections Officers are expected to provide an example of behavior that aligns with sound judgment and rule-abiding conduct.</li> </ul> <p><i>Aggravating Factors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White's numerous traffic violations after his conviction shows a disregard for the law.</li> <li>• White's mitigation letter did not include any responsibility for his actions. White blamed others.</li> <li>• White has taken no accountability for his traffic law violations, which continued into 2024.</li> <li>• White has exhibited a pattern of disregard for the laws of the State of Oregon and the State of Washington.</li> <li>• Driving 102 mph on a motorcycle is putting the public in significant jeopardy with disregard for human life.</li> <li>• The arbitrator's opinion related to reinstating White's employment relied on procedural issues. The arbitrator affirmed that White engaged in misconduct.</li> <li>• White's criminal conduct is aggravating.</li> <li>• White did not report his criminal conduct to DPSST or ODOC appropriately.</li> <li>• White's failure to report his criminal conduct could be considered dishonest, but not a moral fitness violation as outlined in OAR.</li> </ul> <p><i>Mitigating Factors:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The committee did not identify any mitigating factors</li> </ul>			

A consensus was reached to confirm the identified aggravating and mitigating factors.			
Nick Hunter moved that the Corrections Policy Committee affirm the moral fitness violations as presented.	Josh Aldrich	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Ted Langley moved, after considering the identified violations of the Board's moral fitness standards and weighing the aggravating and mitigating circumstances unique to this case, that Board action should be taken against White's certifications.	Brian Stephen	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously
Ted Langley moved, after considering the totality of the case, that White be ineligible to hold public safety certification for 10 years.	Josh Aldrich	11 ayes; 0 nays	Motion Passed Unanimously

#### **10. Corrections Policy Committee Chair and Applicant Review Committee Nominations**

Presented by Kathy McAlpine, Deputy Director

*Nick Hunter moved to nominate John Frost to the Applicant Review Committee. Matthew English seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **11. Agency Updates**

Presented by Phil Castle, Director

- Director Phil Castle took a moment to thank the Corrections Policy Committee members and DPSST staff for their continued effort and dedication to the Committee.
- Marie Atwood has been chosen as the new Professional Standards Division Director. She will take the role on July 1<sup>st</sup> and DPSST is excited to have her on board!
- The Legislative session is currently in full swing and DPSST is closely monitoring the various House Bills that are on the docket and, if approved, will affect different areas of operation within the department.
- The "F" building on campus has seen some recent structural damage and DPSST has been granted money to begin repairs. These repairs are expected to happen incrementally, so they do not disrupt any of the training being conducted in that area.
- Director Phil Castle and the Corrections Policy Committee took an opportunity to recognize Chair Matthew English for his service and dedication to the CPC. Both of his terms have now come to an end, and we wish him luck in all his future endeavors!

## **12. Division Updates**

Presented by Kathy McAlpine, Deputy Director

- Oregon State Police Superintendent Casey Coddington was nominated as the new Chair of the Board and Deputy Chief of Eugene Springfield Fire Chris Heppel was nominated as the new Vice Chair.

## **13. Next Corrections Policy Committee Meeting: August 12, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**

### *Administrative Notes:*

*These minutes reflect the order of the discussion/voting items as they appear on the official meeting agenda. The actual order in which they were discussed may vary.*

*All documents reviewed and discussed in this meeting are subject to Oregon Public Records Law (ORS 192.410 to ORS 192.505). These documents can be requested by contacting DPSST at [dpsst.records@dpsst.oregon.gov](mailto:dpsst.records@dpsst.oregon.gov).*