



**MINUTES OF THE  
ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD  
MARCH 9, 2023  
9:00 A.M.  
PAROLE BOARD LOBBY**

**Board Members Present**

John Felts, Chairman, APB  
Brett Morgan, Vice Chair, APB  
Wendy Ryals, Secretary, APB  
Lona McCastlain, Commissioner, APB  
Andy Shock, Commissioner, APB  
Jamol Jones, Commissioner, APB

**Others Present**

Brooke D. Cummings, Executive Administrator, APB  
Hollie Wellborn, Executive Assistant to the Chairman, APB  
Scott Howard, Investigator, APB  
Felicia Bentley, Investigator, APB  
William T. Bowman, II, Systems Coordination Analyst, APB  
Tamara Salaam, Administrative Support Supervisor, APB  
Shirley Ellingburg, Area Manager, Institutional Release Services, DCC  
Jerry Bradshaw, Director, DCC

**Excused**

Doug Smith, Commissioner, APB  
Jack Bell, Hearing Judge, APB  
Brenton Wood, Hearing Judge, APB  
Christie Goldman, Business Operations Manager, APB

### **Call to Order**

Chairman Felts called the board meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. A quorum was declared. Chairman Felts noted that Commissioner Smith is out.

### **Approval of Minutes – February 23, 2023**

Commissioner Shock moved for approval of the minutes. Vice Chairman Morgan seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

A copy of the minutes was included in each board member's file for review.

### **Agency Updates**

Ms. Brooke Cummings, Executive Administrator, APB, advised the Board that Ms. Christie Goldman, Business Operations Manager, APB, will be back in the office soon. She said when Ms. Goldman returns they will finalize everything for the APAI Conference.

### **Old Business**

There was nothing to report regarding old business.

### **New Business**

There was nothing to report regarding new business.

### **Files for Review**

A copy of the files for review was included in each board member's packet.

### **Adoption of Recommendations**

Secretary Ryals moved to adopt the recommendations. Commissioner McCastlain seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **Other Discussion**

Director Bradshaw, DCC, updated the Board about the White River facility.

Ms. Shirley Ellingburg, Area Manager, IRS, DCC, asked about the change for individuals attending Board meetings at the units. Chairman Felts said the change can take effect April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

*Signature on file*

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**John Felts  
Chairman**

*Signature on file*

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**Wendy Ryals  
Secretary**

**Arkansas Parole Board  
FULL BOARD RATIFICATION OF VOTES**

**March 2023**

**UNITS:**

**RATIFIED**

**Delta**



**Wrightsville**



**Wrightsville Hawkins**



**Tucker**



**Tucker Max**



**Cummins**



**Benton**



**TRCC/SWACC**



**McPherson**



**North Central**



**NWA- Work Release**



**OTHER: Pardons, Commutations, Transfer Screenings, ACT 290s,  
Reconsiderations, Revocation Appeals, Rescinds,  
Special Conditions, EPAs, Etc.**



**MOTION BY: Secretary Ryals    SECONDED BY: Comm. McCastlain**

**RATIFICATION DATE: March 9, 2023**