



**MINUTES OF THE  
ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD  
NOVEMBER 9, 2023  
9:00 A.M.  
RICHARD LEE RICHARDSON AUDITORIUM**

**Board Members Present**

John Felts, Chairman, APB  
Brett Morgan, Vice Chairman, APB  
Wendy Ryals, Secretary, APB  
Lona McCastlain, Commissioner, APB  
Andy Shock, Commissioner, APB  
Doug Smith, 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  
Christie Goldman, Business Operations Manager, APB  
Tamara Salaam, Administrative Support Supervisor, APB  
Barry Bealer, Assistant Area Manager, Institutional Release Services, DCC  
Jim Cheek, Program Administrator/Probation Services, DCC

**Excused**

Brenton Wood, Hearing Judge, APB

**Call to Order**

Chairman Felts called the board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was declared. Commissioner Smith joined the meeting via telephone.

**Approval of Minutes – October 26, 2023**

Vice Chair Morgan moved for approval of the minutes. Commissioner Jones 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 D. Cummings, Executive Administrator, APB, informed the Board about the change to the Board’s name in eOMIS. It went from Parole Board to Post Prison Transfer Board.

**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. Vice Chair Morgan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 21, 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**

**NOVEMBER 2023**

| <b><u>UNITS:</u></b>   | <b><u>RATIFIED</u></b>              |
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| Delta  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Wrightsville   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Wrightsville Hawkins   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Tucker   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Tucker Max   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Cummins  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Benton   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| TRCC/SWACC   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| McPherson  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| North Central  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| NWA- Work Release  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>OTHER: Pardons, Commutations, Transfer Screenings, ACT 290s,<br/>Reconsiderations, Revocation Appeals, Rescinds,<br/>Special Conditions, EPAs, Etc.</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**MOTION BY: Secretary Ryals    SECONDED BY: Vice Chair Morgan**

**RATIFICATION DATE: November 9, 2023**