



**MINUTES OF THE
ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD
February 11, 2016
9:00 A.M.
APB BOARDROOM**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Felts, Chairman
Dawne Vandiver, Secretary/Commissioner
Andy Shock, Commissioner
Abraham Carpenter, Commissioner
John Belken, Commissioner
Jerry Riley, Commissioner
James Wallace, Commissioner

EXCUSED WITH VALID REASONS:

Carol Bohannon, Hearing Judge/Attorney
Jim Williams, Hearing Judge/Attorney
Ashley Vailes, Hearing Judge/Attorney
Cara Boyd-Connors, Hearing Judge/Attorney, APB
Mahogany Franklin, Business Manager, APB
Lois Hansberry, Administrative Support Supervisor, APB
Shirley Ellingburg, Area Manager, Institutional Release Services, ACC

OTHERS PRESENT:

Solomon Graves, Board Administrator, APB
Kelly Knuckles, Executive Assistant to the Chairman, APB
Tamara Salaam, Administrative Support Supervisor, APB
Pam Brown, Assistant Area Manager, Institutional Release Services, ACC
Nga Mahfouz, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General's Office

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Kelly Knuckles, Executive Assistant to the Chairman

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Felts called the board meeting to order at 9:10 am. A quorum was declared.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 28, 2016

Secretary Vandiver moved for approval of the minutes. Commissioner Shock seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

AGENCY UPDATES

Mr. Solomon Graves, Board Administrator, reviewed the article that was provided to the Board regarding the State of Ohio Correctional reform. Mr. Graves stated that this article is similar to what Governor Hutchinson has started here in Arkansas. Mr. Graves will be sending a survey to the Board regarding what type of competency and experience should Board members have moving forward.

Mr. Graves presented a draft mission statement, vision statement, value statement and motto to the Board. After this discussion Commissioner Wallace moved to accept the recommendations as is, Commissioner seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Secretary Vandiver asked Mr. Graves about who the travel expenses and mileage should be turned in to. Mr. Graves states that the Fiscal Support and Parole Services are working collaboratively to log the miles spent by commissioner going to the Units for hearings. There are no activities required by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Felts opened up the floor up for 2016 officer elections. The two offices up for election were Vice-Chair and Secretary. Commissioner Carpenter nominated Commissioner Vandiver for the office of Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations. Commissioner Vandiver was elected by acclamation.

Commissioner Carpenter nominated Commissioner Shock for the office of Secretary. There were no other nominations. Commissioner Vandiver was elected by acclamation.

Mr. Kevin Murphy, Chief Deputy and staff from ACC reentry division gave a demonstration of the Good Grid reentry portal. Following the demonstration the Board asked questions that were answered by Mr. Murphy and his staff.

FILES FOR REVIEW

There were no questions regarding the files for review.

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Secretary Vandiver moved to adopt the recommendations. Commissioner Carpenter seconded. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

Signature on File

**John Felts
Chairman**

Signature on File

**Dawne Vandiver
Secretary**

**ARKANSAS BOARD OF PAROLE
FULL BOARD RATIFICATION OF VOTES**

February 2016

UNITS:

RATIFIED (X)

DELTA



WRIGHTSVILLE



TUCKER/ TUCKER MAX



CUMMINS



BENTON



TRCC/SW/ACC-CAC



MCPHERSON



NORTH CENTRAL/NW



**OTHER: Pardons, Commutations, Transfer Screenings, ACT 290s,
700s, Reconsiderations, Revocation Appeals, Rescinds,
Special Conditions, EPAs, Etc.**



MOTION BY: Secretary Vandiver SECONDED BY: Commissioner Carpenter

RATIFICATION DATE: February 11, 2016