



**MINUTES OF THE  
ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD  
November 21, 2018  
9:00 A.M.  
APB BOARDROOM**

**Board Members Present:**

John Belken, Vice Chairman  
Andy Shock, Secretary  
Dawne Vandiver, Commissioner  
Abraham Carpenter, Commissioner  
Jerry Riley, Commissioner  
Lona McCastlain, Commissioner

**Excused with Valid Reason(s):**

John Felts, Chairman  
Carol Bohannon, Hearing Judge, APB  
Lisa Wilkins, Hearing Judge, APB  
Evelyn Gomez, Hearing Judge, APB

**Others Present:**

Brooke D. Cummings, Executive Administrator, APB  
Hollie Wellborn, Executive Assistant to the Chairman, APB  
Christie Little, Business Operations Manager, APB  
Scott Howard, Investigator, APB  
William T. Bowman, II, Systems Coordination Analyst, APB  
Tamara Salaam, Administrative Support Supervisor, APB  
Rachel Butler, Fiscal Support Specialist, APB  
Monica Adams, Administrative Support Supervisor, APB  
Barry Bealer, Assistant Area Manager, Institutional Release Services, ACC

## **Call to Order**

Vice-Chairman Belken called the Board meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. A quorum was declared.

## **Approval of Minutes – November 8, 2018**

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

## **Review of Population Reports**

Vice-Chairman Belken reviewed the population reports. He noted that there are still over 1,600 backed up in the county jails. As of today there were 1,624. With ADC, including all other facilities, there are 18,228 in ADC. In ACC, the population report shows 2,033, and then we still have approximately 60,000 on parole and probation. The offender deaths have gone down this month to 24 deaths.

There were no further questions about the population reports.

## **Attorney General's Report**

There was nothing to report from the Attorney General.

## **Fiscal Report Update**

Ms. Rachel Butler, Fiscal Support Specialist, updated the Board on the Fiscal Report. Ms. Butler reported that effective July 1, 2018, we received funding of \$297,310 for maintenance, operations, and travel for fiscal year 2019. As of October 31, 2018 we have spent \$94,578.64 (32%) of the maintenance, operations, and travel budget. At this time last year, the APB had spent 33% of the operating expense budget.

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

There were no further questions or comments regarding the Fiscal Report.

### **Hearing Judge's Report**

Ms. Brooke Cummings, Executive Administrator, updated the Board on revocation hearings conducted throughout the month of October 2018. Ms. Cummings reported to the Board that there were a total of 364 actions. That number includes 233 waivers signed, 69 individuals revoked from a hearing, and 302 total revocations. The report also reflects 47 administrative revocations. Those are individuals that received new time, and we revoked them without having a hearing.

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

There were no other comments or questions regarding the Hearing Judge Report.

### **Agency Updates**

Ms. Brooke Cummings told the Board about the Legislative Counsel meeting that she attended. It took place on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. She presented the 570 report that shows the parole considerations results broken down by race and crime.

There were no further comments or questions regarding Agency Updates.

### **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 file for review.

There were no questions or comments regarding the files for review.

\*10 minute break to finalize all voting

### **Adoption of Recommendations**

Secretary Shock moved to adopt the recommendations of the Board for the units as listed on the attached ratification list. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed, and the recommendations became the official vote of the Parole Board.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 19, 2018, at 9:00 a.m.

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**John Felts  
Chairman**

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**Andy Shock  
Secretary**

# ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD

## FULL BOARD RATIFICATION OF VOTES

November 2018

UNITS:

RATIFIED (X)

R.L. Williams/SEC



Pine Bluff/Ester



Grimes



East Arkansas



Mississippi Co. W/R/NEACC



Varner



Ouachita



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



Motion By: Secretary Shock      Seconded by: Commissioner Carpenter

Ratification Date: November 21, 2018