



**MINUTES OF THE
ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD
MARCH 11, 2021
9:00 A.M.
PAROLE BOARD LOBBY**

Board Members Present

John Felts, Chairman, APB
Lona McCastlain, Vice Chair, APB
Wendy Ryals, Secretary, APB
Abraham Carpenter, Commissioner, APB
Andy Shock, Commissioner, APB
Jerry Riley, Commissioner, APB
Boyce Hamlet, Commissioner, APB

Others Present

Brooke D. Cummings, Executive Administrator, APB
Hollie Wellborn, Executive Assistant to the Chairman, APB
Scott Howard, Investigator, APB
William T. Bowman, II, Systems Coordination Analyst, APB
Christie Goldman, Investigator, APB
Lindsay Wallace, Chief of Staff, DOC
Cindy Murphy, Public Information Officer, DOC
Jim Cheek, Program Administrator Parole/Probation Services, DCC
Carrie Williams, Assistant Director Re-Entry, DCC

Excused

Carol Bohannon, Hearing Judge, APB
Evelyn Gomez, Hearing Judge, APB
Tamara Salaam, Administrative Support Supervisor, APB

Call to Order

Chairman Felts called the board meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. A quorum was declared.

Approval of Minutes – February 25, 2021

Vice Chair McCastlain moved for approval of the minutes. Commissioner Carpenter 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

Vice-Chair asked if the Parole Board's legislation passed. Chairman Felts advised her that it did pass.

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 Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Other Discussion

Ms. Cindy Murphy, Public Information Officer, DOC, advised the Board that by the next meeting the new intranet system should be up and running. It is called DOC Connect.

Ms. Carrie Williams, Assistant Director Re-Entry, DCC, advised the Board that they are not at capacity. She said they are looking to open another female facility.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

Signature on File

**John Felts
Chairman**

Signature on File

**Wendy Ryals
Secretary**

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

March 2021

<u>UNITS:</u>	<u>RATIFIED</u>
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"/>
OTHER: Pardons, Commutations, Transfer Screenings, ACT 290s, Reconsiderations, Revocation Appeals, Rescinds, Special Conditions, EPAs, Etc.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

MOTION BY: Secretary Ryals SECONDED BY: Commissioner Carpenter

RATIFICATION DATE: March 11, 2021