



**MINUTES OF THE
ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD
APRIL 28, 2022
9:00 A.M.
RICHARD LEE RICHARDSON AUDITORIUM**

Board Members Present

John Felts, Chairman, APB
Wendy Ryals, Vice Chair, APB
Brett Morgan, Secretary, APB
Andy Shock, Commissioner, APB
Jerry Riley, Commissioner, APB
Lona McCastlain, 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
Felicia Bentley, Investigator, APB
William Bowman, Systems Coordination Analyst, APB
Tamara Salaam, Administrative Support Supervisor, APB
Barry Bealer, Assistant Area Manager, IRS, DCC
Joe West, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General's Office
Jerry Bradshaw, Director, DCC

Excused

Carol Bohannon, Hearing Judge, APB
Jack Bell, 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. All Commissioners were noted as present.

Approval of Minutes – April 14, 2022

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

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

Review of Population Reports

Chairman Felts reviewed the population reports starting with the ADC report. He said they've gotten back to 100% overall. Population wise they are at 104.3%. The men are at 104.4%, and the women are at 102.5%. There are 108 females and 1,287 males in the county jail backup. There is a combined total of 1,395. They have a total jurisdictional count of 17,071. The in count is 16,959. There are 19 at the ORCU hospital, 10 at other hospitals, 1 furlough, and 82 out to court.

Chairman Felts then reviewed the population report for DCC. They have an in count of 1,746, 2 at other hospitals, and 5 out to court with a total of 1,753.

Chairman Felts then reviewed the statewide field operations report. There are 23,892 individuals on parole, 21 out on Act 539, and 32,891 on probation. There is a grand total of 67,070 individuals under supervision.

Attorney General's Report

Assistant Attorney General Joe West reported to the Board that there are the same 10 cases pending in Pulaski County Circuit Court. All of them are fully briefed. He said there is nothing going on right now at the appellate level.

Fiscal Report Update

Ms. Brooke D. Cummings, Executive Administrator, APB, updated the Board on the Fiscal Report. Ms. Cummings reported that effective July 1, 2021, the Agency received funding of \$244,711 for Maintenance & Operations and Conference & Travel for fiscal year 2022. As of March 31, 2022, we've expensed \$116,282.59 (47.52%) of the FY22 Maintenance & Operations and Conference &

Travel Budget. At this time last year, the Board had exhausted 45.85% of the operating expense budget.

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

Hearing Judge's Report

Ms. Cummings updated the Board on revocation hearings conducted throughout the month of March 2022. There were 502 total revocations. There were 103 administrative revocations, 356 waivers were signed, and 43 individuals revoked at a hearing.

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

Agency Updates

Ms. Cummings reminded the Board about the APAI Conference. The individuals going will be arriving in San Diego on Saturday and will be returning on Wednesday.

Ms. Cummings said they have been working on the Annual Operations Plan. She said she met with Shared Services budget to go over all of that. She said soon they will be doing biennial budget planning.

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 for review.

Review of the Hearing Schedule

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

Adoption of Recommendations

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

Other Discussion

Director Bradshaw, DCC, advised the Board that the population at the center(s) this morning was 1,502. He said they are gradually getting back to 100%. Director Bradshaw also reminded the Board that it's Reentry Week.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Signature on file

John Felts
Chairman

Signature on file

Brett Morgan
Secretary

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

APRIL 2022

UNITS:

RATIFIED (X)

R.L. Williams



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 Morgan Seconded by: Commissioner Shock

Ratification Date: April 28, 2022