Oregon Board of Parole



& POST-PRISON SUPERVISION

Board Business Meeting Minutes Monday February 22, 2010

Call to Order and Note of Attendance: The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m., and note of attendance was made: Aaron Felton, Jeremiah Stromberg, Darcey Baker, and guests, Lori Tribett, and Lynda Beecher.

Chairperson's Comments – Aaron Felton

- Legislative Special Session The special session is in full swing and Aaron and Jeremiah have been busy attending various meetings and providing testimony. One bill in particular that the Board is interested in is HB3634. It has currently passed through House Judiciary and is sitting at Ways and Means. In general this bill addresses victims' rights, and victim procedural issues. Representative Barton has requested that the Board to convene a workgroup to address some issues that were raised during testimony.
- **Supplemental Budget Request:** The Board has submitted a request for additional funds. The request is currently pending before the Ways and Means Committee.
- **Supreme Court Decision:** Recently two decisions have been made by the Supreme Court with regards to the Board's sex offender package B and the language, "per p.o." The Board is working on drafting a message that will be sent out to the field regarding those decisions.

Executive Director Update – Jeremiah Stromberg

- **Staff:** Jaime VanCauteren- the new Order of Supervision Specialist job share partner- began last week and is training with Abbie. They will work together while training for the next few weeks and then will go to their respective part-time schedules.
- Hearings Officer Training: The training is still on track for April 8th and the field is continuing to show high interest. There are currently 70 participants registered, with registration scheduled to close on March 1st. Jeremiah is working with the Board members to set the agenda and training topics.
- **Community Corrections Forum:** Last Tuesday Jeremiah attended a forum at Portland State University. The forum was well attended and included representatives from the district attorneys office, community corrections, and the University. There was a large discussion on the rising costs of incarceration. In Oregon, 1 out of every 9 general fund dollar goes to incarceration. The Board

plays a small role in deciding institution size and release decisions, but decisions that the Board makes regarding conditions and sanctions all go into the calculation.

Future Board Meetings:

- March 22, 2010
- April 26, 2010
- May 24, 2010

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 a.m.