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# Oregon Board of Parole & Post-Prison Supervision

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# **Board Business Meeting**

July 15, 2019

Location: Dome - Conf. Room 174

Attendees: Michael Hsu, Susi Hodgin, Dylan Arthur, Patty Cress, Greta Lowry, Jessica Daws, Perry

Waddell, John Bailey, James Taylor

**Recorder:** Jessica Daws

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

## Call to order / Note of attendance

#### Discussion:

- Michael Hsu Chair
- Introduction of attendees

## **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

#### Discussion:

Michael – meeting minutes from last month adopted

## Chairperson's Comments

Owner: Michael Hsu

#### Discussion:

- Move update mostly on track, construction going well, furniture ordered; internet might hold us back a
  few weeks, century link connection might not be in place, waiting to hear back from DAS; most employees
  do have laptops if we might have to move half-staff over,
- Dylan; mentioned to Heidi Steward about a possible later moving date, Bert, DAS project coordinator, on vacation
- Use of term adult in custody new legislation was passed to move away from using "inmate". All references to inmate have been changed in Parole Orders
- ORMS planning on moving to an electronic system
- Michael welcome John Bailey to the Board, coming to the Board from Multnomah County

### **Board Member Comments**

Owner: Patty Cress / Greta Lowry / James Taylor / John Bailey

#### Discussion:

- Patty thanks to DOC release services for presenting at our QTR
- James three board members will be going to training in September
- James when inmates are transferred to Salem for a psych eval, they seem to lose their housing, programming, etc., Jeremiah willing to discuss with DOC
- Jeremiah with the amount of movements in our institutions, saving beds does not occur, those that the Board see are the longest, willing to discuss with DOC

### **Executive Director Comments**

Owner: Dylan Arthur

#### Discussion:

 Dylan – budget did not come back like we hoped, did not receive additional BAS positions, meeting scheduled to review new budget to discuss areas of opportunities and areas we can cut if possible, may affect travel budgets

### **Old Business**

#### Discussion:

■ N/A

#### **New Business**

#### Discussion:

- Dylan only new business is the move and budget
- Budget as of now, the budget that passed Ways and Means did not follow the GRB which would have given us two additional assessments specialists and a half-time victims specialist position - this will limit our ability to work on SONL backlog
- Governor's office is aware of the cut
- Final vote has not happened on bill second reading is scheduled for today
- Michael SB 1008: Juvenile Justice bill does impact the board. We will be working with other stakeholders on this bill.

#### **Department of Corrections Update**

Owner: Jeremiah Stromberg

#### Discussion:

- Jeremiah budget wise, very difficult biennium for community corrections, cost study was conducted and showed the supervision costs is \$2 more per person, per day, \$50 million per biennium; did not get any budget increase
- Budget is determined on costs per person and number on supervision, forecast was off by close to 1500 people
- Budget approx. 5 million less than what will increased caseloads, not being able to pay for housing, will affect those releasing on short-term trans leave

- Jeremiah counties stopped prosecuting PCS charges which has reduced the number of supervision, might have played the biggest role in the budget cut
- Jeremiah for the record, there is no discussion currently happening around not supervising low-risk individuals, low risk offenders have been discussed, pcs has also been discussed but no current discussion happening
- Community Corrections has started reviewing all shops policies how well are they supervising offenders, looked at all 36 counties and most came back positive, most have taken advantage of talking with Jeremiah and his team, notice of rights has been an issue throughout the state, this is something that is a main focus, a lot of issues around sanctions, counties are using around 95% of sanctions in jail, violations could be addressed in other ways, my ask to the board is to include CC in conversations around patterns/issues they might see throughout the counties; with the counties we are struggling with, conversation will happen with the Board chair and executive director,
- Jeremiah has a new assistant, Megan Becker, contact her for any assistance

## **Future Board Meetings**

Discussion:

August 19<sup>th</sup> is our next scheduled board business meeting

Meeting adjourned 10:52am