



**MINUTES**  
**ARKANSAS BOARD OF PAROLE**  
**JANUARY 13, 2011 @ 9:30 A.M.**  
**ABP Board Room**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Abraham Carpenter, Jr., Vice-Chairman  
Richard L. Mays, Jr., Secretary  
John Felts, Commissioner  
Carolyn Robinson, Commissioner  
Jimmy Wallace, Commissioner

**HEARING EXAMINERS  
PRESENT:** Carol V. Bohannon, Hearing Examiner/Attorney  
James L. Williams, II, Hearing Examiner/Attorney  
Ashley Vailes, Hearing Examiner/Attorney

**EXCUSED WITH VALID  
REASON(S):** Leroy Brownlee, Chairman  
Joe Peacock, Commissioner

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Sharon Lewis, Executive Assistant to the Chairman

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

Dan Roberts, Deputy Director, Department of Community Correction - Parole/Probation

Pam Brown, Assistant Area Manager, Institutional Release Services, DCC

Solomon Graves, Administrative Services Manager, ABP

Norma Gillerson, Fiscal Support Supervisor, ABP

Tamara Salaam, Administrative Support Supervisor – Pre-Release, ABP

Lois Hansberry, Administrative Support Supervisor – Revocation, ABP

Sharon Lewis, Executive Assistant to the Chairman, ABP

**CALLED TO ORDER**

Vice-Chairman Carpenter called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. A quorum was declared.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 16, 2010**

Commissioner Wallace moved. The minutes were approved as presented with no corrections. Commissioner Mays seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Board Members and Hearing Examiners were reminded to complete and submit the Financial Statement of Interest form to the Secretary of State’s Office by the January 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. Ms. Lewis is available to notarize the form and provide a copy of the previous year’s filing.
- Mr. Graves distributed and discussed agency updates in his monthly report to the Board. Some of the highlights included:
  - The Public Hearing for revisions to the ABP Policy Manual regarding the Act 679 conditions of release will be Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.
  - The Board will be reviewing the 153’s for revisions. Commissioner Felts requested for the form to list the crimes that can be denied by the Board.
  - Funding for transitional housing was approved through Second Chance Re-entry Grant. This grant will provide housing for inmates who were approved for parole, but did not have an approved residential plan. This program was addressed more in-depth by Mr. Dan Roberts.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Wallace reported that a skeleton crew was needed for the upcoming holiday on Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day / Robert E. Lee Day) due to the General Assembly being session. Mr. Dan Roberts informed the Board that both Houses of the General Assembly will not be in session on that date.

**FILES FOR DISCUSSION - REVIEW**

The Board reviewed the list of victim input hearings that were conducted during the first half of January 2011.

**RATIFICATION OF VOTES**

Commissioner Mays moved. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion to ratify the votes. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

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**Abraham Carpenter, Jr.**  
**Vice-Chairman**

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**Richard L. Mays, Jr.**  
**Secretary**

**ARKANSAS BOARD OF PAROLE  
FIRST BOARD VOTE RATIFICATION**

**JANUARY 2011**

**UNITS:**

**RATIFIED (X)**

**DELTA**



**GRIMES**



**MCPHERSON**



**NORTH CENTRAL UNIT**



**TUCKER**



**TUCKER MAX.**



**OTHER: TRANSFER SCREENINGS, COMMUTATION, PARDONS,  
RECONSIDERATION, REVOCATION APPEALS, RESCINDS,  
SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS, ACT 290, 700'S, EPA, ETC.**



**MOTION BY: RICHARD L. MAYS, JR. SECONDED BY: CAROLYN ROBINSON**

**RATIFICATION DATE: January 13, 2011**