



**MINUTES OF THE
ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD
NOVEMBER 8, 2012 @ 9:30 A.M.
APB Board Room**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Felts, Chairman
James Wallace, Vice-Chairman/Commissioner
Richard L. Mays, Jr., Secretary/Commissioner
Abraham Carpenter, Commissioner
Joseph Peacock, Commissioner
Carolyn Robinson, Commissioner

HEARING EXAMINERS PRESENT:

Carol Bohannon, Hearing Examiner/Attorney
Jim Williams, Hearing Examiner/Attorney

EXCUSED WITH VALID REASONS:

Richard Brown Jr., Commissioner
Ashley Vailes, Hearing Examiner/Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT

Solomon Graves, Administrative Services Manager, APB
Norma Gillerson, Fiscal Support Manager, APB
Mahogany Brown, Administrative Specialist II, APB
Melissa Haney, Executive Assistant to the Chairman, APB
Tamara Saalam, Administrative Specialist III (Parole), APB
Dan Roberts, Deputy Director, Parole/Probation Services, DCC
Pam Brown, Assistant Area Manager, Institutional Release Services, DCC

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Melissa Haney, Executive Assistant to the Chairman

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 25, 2012

Commissioner Wallace moved. Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented.

AGENCY UPDATES

Sex Offender Aftercare Training

Mr. Graves stated on November 27th the Board will be having sex offender aftercare training as an annual refresher on sex offender specific conditions. He stated that Mrs. Childers and her staff will present the training and after that there will be a potluck luncheon for the staff and Board.

Chairman Felts stated that this is an opportunity for valuable training hours and a good opportunity to understand the changes in leadership and meet the sex offender officers. It is also a good training tool to help the Board stay up to date on sex offender aftercare conditions.

Act 570 Report

Mr. Graves reported that there is a copy of the monthly Act 570 report in the Boards packet. He stated that this report shows a total of 900 Board actions with an approval rate of 60%. These numbers are reported differently than our monthly Parole Board report. The numbers are reported by crime. If there are any questions to please let him know.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Felts reported that a second day has been added for Victim Input in the month of December. We will have Victim Input Hearings on November 28th and on December 3rd. The November 28th day was added in order to even out the days to make the hearings more manageable. Currently, there are a total of 30 hearings scheduled for December. He stated that the Board needs to mark these days on their calendars and to also please pass this information to Commissioner Brown who is out today.

FILES FOR REVIEW

Chairman Felts stated that the Victim Input Hearing Votes are available for the Board’s review and that the fourth inmate on the list received a 9 month sentence. He was recommended for out of state only parole and due to his short sentence he is not within 6 months of his TE date. Chairman Felts stated that there is a rule that says the inmate must have 6 months to be approved for out of state parole plans. He recommended that the Board review other options for this inmate’s parole. He asked that the record show that this change will be addressed and made for this inmate. He stated that if there are any questions they can be addressed. There were no questions regarding the files for review.

RATIFICATION OF VOTES

Commissioner Richard Mays Jr., moved to ratify the votes. Commissioner Carpenter seconded. The motion was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, November 29, 2012 at 9:30a.m. in the APB Boardroom.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Signature on File

John Felts
Chairman

Signature on File

Richard L. Mays, Jr.
Secretary

**ARKANSAS PAROLE BOARD
FIRST BOARD RATIFICATION OF VOTES**

NOVEMBER 2012

UNITS:

RATIFIED (X)

DELTA	<input type="checkbox"/>
GRIMES	<input type="checkbox"/>
MCPHERSON	<input type="checkbox"/>
NORTH CENTRAL UNIT	<input type="checkbox"/>
NORTH WEST/WASHINGTON CO.	<input type="checkbox"/>
TUCKER	<input type="checkbox"/>
TUCKER MAX.	<input type="checkbox"/>
CUMMINS	<input type="checkbox"/>
OTHER: TRANSFER SCREENINGS, COMMUTATIONS, PARDONS RECONSIDERATIONS, REVOCATION APPEALS, RESCINDS, SPECIAL CONDITIONS, ACT 290, 700'S, EPA, ETC.	<input type="checkbox"/>

MOTION BY: Commissioner Mays

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Carpenter

RATIFICATION DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2012