

**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
BOARD OF CORRECTIONS
JAIL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING**

Regular Meeting.....December 19, 2018

Location6900 Atmore Drive, Richmond, Virginia

Presiding.....William Dean, Chairman

Present.....John F. Anderson, Jr., Board of Corrections Member
Vernie W. Francis, Jr., Board of Corrections Member
Olivia Garland, Ph.D., Board of Corrections Member
Charles Jett, Board of Corrections Member
Heath Masters, MD, SFHM, FACP, Board of Corrections Member
Rev. Kevin L. Sykes, Board of Corrections Member
Bobby Vassar, Board of Corrections Member
Phillip Figura, Board Counsel, Office of the Attorney General
Stephen Goff, Board of Corrections
Kemba Jennings, Board of Corrections
Mark Bowes, Richmond Times Dispatch
Patrick Wilson, Richmond Times Dispatch
Jim Bruce, Department of Corrections
Paul Haymes, Department of Corrections
Emmanuel Fontenot, Department of Corrections
Dean Ricks, Department of Corrections
Donna Foster, Department of Corrections

The meeting was called to order and Chairman Dean welcomed all attendees.

The November 14, 2018 minutes were brought before the Committee for approval. Ms. Garland asked that the public comments made by Kimberly Dyke-Harsley are noted as referred to the Virginia Department of Corrections.

Upon a ***Motion*** by Chairman Dean and duly seconded, the attending members voted unanimously to ***Approve*** the November 14, 2018 Jail Review Committee meeting minutes as amended.

Public Comment

None

Presentation

None

Closed Session

The following was offered by Mr. Jett as a motion:

I move that the Jail Review Committee begin *CLOSED* session pursuant to Code of Virginia §2.2-3711(A16) to discuss matters lawfully exempt from public disclosure of medical and mental health records.

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Jett and duly seconded, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendations.

Reconvene Open Session

Upon the members' return to open session, Mr. Jett offered the following in the form of a motion:

I move that the Jail Review Committee reconvene our open session to discuss matters pursuant to Code of Virginia §2.2-3711(A16) to discuss matters lawfully exempt from public disclosure of medical and mental health records. I move that this committee and its individual members Certify that in closed session, the Jail Review Committee limited its discussion to public meeting requirements lawfully exempt from the public meeting requirements and identified in a closed session motion. If a member cannot so Certify, I ask that the recorder take role.

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Jett and duly seconded, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendations. All attending Board of Corrections' members *Certified* that the closed session discussion was limited to legally exempt matters with noted exception.

General Discussion

Dr. Masters asked if the members would want to consider that death reviews be conducted based upon similar circumstances. Ms. Jennings agreed to sort open cases according to standard violation and therefore, potential standard review. Mr. Goff added that he had revisited the open cases that have undergone committee review and requested further information from either the facility, or the medical contractor service providers. Chairman Dean expressed concern over the backlog and the need to prioritize the older cases. The attendees were in agreement.

The following case will be recommended to the full Board to be **Closed**:

I move that the following cases were reviewed and revealed no apparent evidence of any act of or by omission by the facility or any employee or agent thereof that may have directly or indirectly contributed to the inmates' deaths. The jails were in compliance with the regulations promulgated by the Board of Corrections and no deficiencies noted within the provisions of the Virginia Administrative Code.

Case	Location	Date of Death
18-0009	Southside Regional Jail	2/13/18
18-0025	Fairfax County Sheriff's Department	9/7/17
18-0031	Martinsville Sheriff's Department	3/11/18

I move that letters be sent to the following facilities requesting additional information regarding the listed standards as well as an invitation for a representative to attend the January 8, 2019 meeting:

Riverside Regional Jail

Case 17-0004 date of death 10/31/17

Standards:

6VAC15-40-1045 – Rounds;

6VAC-15-40-370 – Screening upon admission;

6VAC15-40-5 – 14-day requirement for physician to see inmate.

Case 17-0010 date of death 11/30/17

Standards:

6VAC-15-40-5 – Access of medical equipment and supplies to staff;

Facility policy and practice for provision of prescription medications upon intake.

Portsmouth City Jail

Case 18-0023 date of death 8/23/17

Standards:

6VAC-15-40-5 – Refusal of medical screening leading to suicide watch;

6VAC-15-40-1045 – Conducting rounds, Lapse in rounds;

6VAC-15-40-370 – Protocols for placing inmate on alcohol/opioid withdrawal with
acknowledged daily and/or recent use.

Case 18-0003 date of death 1/18/18

Standards:

6VAC-15-40-5 - Refusal of medical screening leading to suicide watch;

Decision by staff not to deploy AED.

Upon a **Motion** by Chairman Dean and duly seconded, the attending members voted unanimously to **Approve** the above recommendations.

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Other Comments

There being nothing further, the meeting was *Adjourned*.