# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA BOARD OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL JAILS JAIL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting.....July 26, 2023; 9:30 a.m. Presiding.....Dr. Amanda Trent, Board of Local and Regional Jails Present......The Honorable Vernie Francis, Chairman, Board of Local and Regional Jails The Honorable Charles Jett, Vice Chairman, Board of Local and Regional Jails Dr. Anita Maybach, Board of Local and Regional Jails Tiffany Jenkins, Board of Local and Regional Jails Dr. Cleopatra Booker, Board of Local and Regional Jails Tiffany Jenkins, Board of Local and Regional Jails Dr. Amanda Trent, Board of Local and Regional Jails Michael Carrera, Board of Local and Regional Jails Geoff Garner, Executive Director, Board of Local and Regional Jails Ryan McCord, Administrative Compliance Director, Department of Corrections Ashley Gordon, Executive Secretary, Board of Local and Regional Jails Alison Lautz, Jail Death Investigator, Board of Local and Regional Jails John Rock, Jail Death Investigator, Board of Local and Regional Jails Tawana Ferguson, Regulatory Compliance Supervisor, Board of Local and Regional Jails Colleen Maxwell, FOIA Legal Services Specialist, Board of Local and Regional Jails Jami-Reese Robertson, Board of Local and Regional Jails Ayeesha Osborne, Board Counsel, Office of the Attorney General Superintendent Larry Leabough, Riverside Regional Jail Captain Lakeisha Mason, Riverside Regional Jail Captain Evette Mack, Riverside Regional Jail

Upon determination of a quorum, Dr. Trent called the meeting to order.

# Approval of Minutes

The June 21, 2023 minutes were brought before the Committee for approval.

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Jett with a second by Mr. Carrera, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the June 21, 2023 Jail Review Committee meeting minutes.

#### **Public Comment**

None

#### **Presentation**

None

#### Motion to include non-Board members in closed session

The following was offered by Dr. Trent as a motion:

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3712(F) I *MOVE* that the presence of the following individuals will reasonably aid this board in considering the subject of the closed session:

Names of the individuals to be included:

Geoff Garner Ryan McCord Alison Lautz John Rock Colleen Maxwell Tawana Ferguson Ashley Gordon Jami-Reese Robertson Captain Evette Mack Captain Lakeisha Mason

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

#### **Closed Session**

Mrs. Trent offered the following in the form of a motion:

I MOVE that the Jail Review Committee begin CLOSED session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(16) to discuss or consider medical and mental health records; and pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(8) to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

Upon a *Motion* by Dr. Trent and a second by Mr. Carrera, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendation.

#### **Reconvene Open Session**

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

I MOVE that the Jail Review Committee reconvene our open session having concluded a closed session to discuss or consider medical and mental health records and to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. I MOVE that this committee and its individual members certify that during the closed session, the Jail Review Committee limited its discussion to matters lawfully exempt from the public meeting requirements and identified in the closed session motion. If a member cannot so certify, I ask that they state the reason specifically on the record and that the recorder take role.

All members in attendance certified by Roll Call.

#### Motion to include non-Board members in closed session

The following was offered by Dr. Trent as a motion:

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3712(F) I *MOVE* that the presence of the following individuals will reasonably aid this board in considering the subject of the closed session:

Ayeesha Osborne was added in addition to those mentioned previously.

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Jett and a second by Chairman Francis, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendations.

#### **Closed Session**

Vice Chairman Jett offered the following in the form of a motion:

I MOVE that the Jail Review Committee begin CLOSED session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(16) to discuss or consider medical and mental health records; and pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(8) to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

Upon a *Motion* by Vice Chairman Jett and a second by Mr. Carrera, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendation.

#### **Reconvene Open Session**

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

I MOVE that the Jail Review Committee reconvene our open session having concluded a closed session to discuss or consider medical and mental health records and to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. I MOVE that this committee and its individual members certify that during the closed session, the Jail Review Committee limited its discussion to matters lawfully exempt from the public meeting requirements and identified in the closed session motion. If a member cannot so certify, I ask that they state the reason specifically on the record and that the recorder take role.

All members in attendance certified by Roll Call.

#### Actions

Vice Chairman Jett as a motion offered the following:

The Jail Review Committee investigated the following cases by reviewing institutional, medical, and mental health records and other relevant evidence of the circumstances surrounding each death. The Jail Review Committee further finds that investigation did not reveal any evidence indicating that the facility was out of compliance with the regulations promulgated by the Board. NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE that the following cases be recommended to the Full Board for closure:

Cases	
22-0065	22-0067
23-0021	

Upon a *Motion* by Vice Chairman Jett and a second by Mr. Carrera, the attending members voted unanimously to A*pprove* the above recommendations.

Vice Chairman Jett as a motion offered the following:

The Jail Review Committee investigated the following cases by reviewing institutional, medical, and mental health records and other relevant evidence of the circumstances surrounding each death. The Jail Review Committee finds that the investigation did reveal evidence indicating that the facility was out of compliance with the regulations promulgated by the Board. However, the Jail Review Committee finds that the corrective actions taken by the jail appropriately addresses the substance of the violation such that no further measures are necessary. NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE that the following case be recommended to the Full Board for closure:

# NONE

Upon a *Motion* by Vice Chairman Jett with a second Mr. Carrera, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendations.

# **Recommendations for Changes to Board Standards**

None

# **General Discussion**

None

There being nothing further and upon motion of Mr. Carrera, the meeting was Adjourned.