

FINAL/APPROVED for March 18, 2015
THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF CORRECTIONS

The Virginia Board of Corrections (Board) met on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at the Department of Corrections (VADOC) Headquarters, 6900 Atmore Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23225.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl R. Peed, Chairman
John F. Anderson, Jr.
Reverend Dr. Yvonne Jones Bibbs
Ann Gardner
Tammi Lambert
Colin P. O'Dawe
Reverend Anthony C. Paige
Bobby N. Vassar

MEMBERS ABSENT: Phyllis Randall

VADOC STAFF PRESENT: Beverly Hill-Murray, Compliance and Accreditation Unit
Donna P. Foster, Board Support
Brooks Ballard, Local Facilities Unit (Retired)
Bob Casey, Local Facilities Unit
James Bruce, Policy and Initiatives Unit

GUESTS PRESENT: Richard Vorhis, Assistant Attorney General
Brooks Ballard, Local Facilities Unit, Retired
Chris White, Vector Corporation
George Pender, guest of Reverend Anthony Paige

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Peed called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Chairman Peed determined there was a quorum present.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Peed welcomed everyone and asked the attendees to introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER BOARD MINUTES

Chairman Peed presented the November minutes for review and approval.

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Upon a *Motion* by Chairman Peed and duly seconded, the members voted unanimously to *Approve* the November Board meeting minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comment made.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. James Bruce, Policy and Initiatives Unit, provided a handout detailing the marked up policy revisions. He explained that the Board members are required to vote to accept or deny the policy changes every two years. The vote will be held during the May 20, 2015 meeting.

David Rogers, Academy for Staff Development, was scheduled to present information regarding the approved standardized training that will be transferable to and from DOC agencies to local facilities. He presented during the Liaison Committee meeting and several Board members were present. His presentation was reported by Ms. Gardner in the Liaison Committee report.

LIAISON COMMITTEE UPDATE

Ms. Gardner provided a summary of the March 18, 2015 Liaison Committee meeting. She reported the Funding and Budget issues, the Offender Management Services update, revision of training credits, Ice Detainer considerations, the FCC Commission Review and Local Facility construction and expansions.

Ms. Gardner reported that Robyn deSocio advised that the Compensation Board is fully funded to pay the fourth quarter per diems. There will be a two percent across the board pay increase for constitutional officers and state employees. Also, entry level officers will receive a revised minimum salary of \$31,009, all to be effective September 1, 2015. A Local Inmate Database (LIDs) conference is being scheduled for some time in the summer, however, a venue has yet to be selected.

Ms. Gardner reported that Bob Casey advised of expansions and upgrades to local facilities, to include: Chesapeake City Jail-expansion; Hampton Roads Regional Jail-security patrol upgrade; Martinsville City Jail-electrical security control upgrade; Newport News City Jail-Magistrate intake expansion; Piedmont Regional Jail-intake booking area expansion; Rockbridge Regional Jail-multiple upgrades; Rockingham/Harrisonburg Regional Jail-possible joint venture with Middle River Regional Jail; Southampton County Jail-kitchen and dining hall replacement.

Ms. Gardner reported that Jim Parks advised that the closing of Powhatan Correctional Center, the Culpeper Women's facility, Cold Springs Work Center #42 and White Post Men's Diversion Center increased out-of-compliance rated temporarily. A new dormitory style housing unit is being added at Keen Mountain Correctional Center.

Ms. Gardner reported that Bill Wilson received an official opinion from the Attorney General, stating that offenders will not be held on ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) detainers unless other criminal charges are pending.

Ms. Gardner reported that Tim Trent reported a date extension for the elimination of interstate FCC commissions on inmate phone calls. No specific date was discussed.

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ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE UPDATE

Reverend Anthony Paige reported that the Administration Committee voted to delay action on the surplus property declarations for White Post Men's Diversion Center, Botetourt Correctional Center and Pulaski Correctional Center.

Upon a *Motion* by Chairman Peed and duly seconded, the members voted unanimously to *Defer* the declaration of White Post Men's Diversion Center, Botetourt Correctional Center and Pulaski Correctional Center as surplus properties to a later Board of Corrections meeting.

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE UPDATE/Policy & Regulations

LOCAL FACILITIES SECTION – STAFFING/FUNDING AND UNANNOUNCED INSPECTIONS:

Mr. Vassar, substituting for Ms. Randall, offered the following Committee recommendations for Board approval:

Unconditional Certification as a result of **100%** compliance for **Southside Regional Jail** and **Blue Ridge Regional Jail-Bedford County Adult Detention Center**.

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

Also, Unconditional Certification for **Sussex County Jail**, **Lancaster County Jail** and **Virginia Beach Lockup #4** all to include male and female juveniles in accordance with §16.1-249.G of the Code of Virginia.

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

Additionally, Unconditional Certification for **Botetourt/Craig Regional Jail** and **Accomack County Jail**.

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

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Neither the Director nor his designee was available to attend the March 18, 2015 Board of Corrections Meeting.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

No additional items discussed.

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FUTURE MEETING DATES

May 20, 2015
July 15, 2014
September 16, 2015
October 21, 2015
November 18, 2015

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss before the Board of Corrections, upon a *Motion* by Chairman Peed and duly seconded, the meeting was *Adjourned* by unanimous vote at 12:41 pm.

APPROVED:

Signature on File

Carl R. Peed, Chairman

John F. Anderson, Jr., Secretary