

**Minutes of the Kansas Sentencing Commission Meeting
January 22, 2016**

The Honorable Evelyn Z. Wilson, Chair, called the Kansas Sentencing Commission meeting to order on January 22, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.

Participants:

Members:

- Honorable Evelyn Z. Wilson, Chair
- Honorable W. Lee Fowler, Vice Chair
- Honorable Patrick D. McAnany
- Senator David B. Haley
- Representative Tom Sawyer
- Representative John J. Rubin
- Representative Janice Pauls
- Senator Carolyn McGinn
- Jonathan Ogletree, Kansas Prisoner Review Board
- Steve Karrer, Kansas Attorney General's Office Designee
- Chris A. Mechler, Office of Judicial Administration
- Interim Secretary Johnnie Goddard, Department of Corrections
- Kevin N. Berens, Thomas County Attorney
- Stacey L. Donovan, Third Judicial District Public Defender's Office
- Nathan Barnes, Public Member

Guests:

Marie McNeal, Department of Corrections
Tim Madden, Department of Corrections
Mitchel DePriest, Hein Governmental Consulting, LLC

Staff:

- Scott M. Schultz, Executive Director
- Brenda Harmon, Special Assistant to the Executive Director
- Kunlun Chang, Director of Research
- Fengfang Lu, Senior Research Analyst
- Charlene Peacock, Utilization Review/SB 123 Program Director
- Ebo Browne, Research Analyst
- Jesse Becker, Finance Director
- Trish Beck, Program Assistant
- Erica Waggoner, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Proposed Agenda

Chair Wilson asked for a motion to approve the proposed agenda. Judge Patrick McAnany moved to approve the agenda. Chris Mechler seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Wilson referred to the Sentencing Commission Meeting minutes of December 17, 2015. It was requested to amend the minutes by listing Stacey Donovan in attendance. Vice Chair Fowler moved to approve the minutes as amended. Stacey Donovan seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Welcome New KSC Members

Chair Wilson introduced and welcomed former Sentencing Commission member, Representative Janice Pauls; Interim Secretary of Corrections Johnnie Goddard; and Kansas Prisoner Review Board Chairman Jonathan Ogletree as new members to the Commission.

Approval of Journal Entry Forms

Executive Director Scott Schultz reviewed modifications made to Presentence Investigation Report (PSI). After discussion, Steve Karrer moved to approve the amended PSI. Judge Patrick McAnany seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mr. Schultz reviewed modifications made to the Journal Entry of Judgment form. After discussion, Steve Karrer moved to approve the amended Journal Entry of Judgment form. Chris Mechler seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mr. Schultz reviewed modifications made to the Journal Entry of Probation Violation Hearing form. After discussion, Steve Karrer moved to approve the amended Probation Violation Hearing form. Nathan Barnes seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

2016 Legislative Update and Agency Report

Executive Director Scott Schultz reported on a request of the House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee. The House Committee has requested the Commission to consider the proposed balloon amendment to House Bill 2462 and present testimony. Representative Rubin moved to request Executive Director Scott Schultz, on behalf of the Commission, testify in support of the amendment. Nathan Barnes seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Executive Director Scott Schultz provided a summary of the agency's activities since the last meeting and reviewed KDOC prison population reports.

KSC Research Analyst, Ebo Browne presented the new HB 2170 Handbook and briefly discussed it. Expenses to publish the handbook are being funded through a federal grant received from The Council of State Governments Justice Center.

Executive Session

Chair Wilson moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes concerning personnel matters. Vice Chair Fowler seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Returning to open session, Representative Rubin moved to return to executive session for an additional 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters. Representative Pauls seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

After 15 minutes, the meeting resumed to open session. Vice Chair Fowler moved to increase the salary of Executive Director Scott Schultz to \$87,000. Chair Wilson seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Judge Patrick McAnany, Steve Karrer, and Chris Mechler opposed the motion.

Next Meeting

The next Sentencing Commission meeting will be on February 19, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Room of the Jayhawk Tower.

Meeting adjourned 4:14 p.m.