

KANSAS SENTENCING COMMISSION

SENATE ROOM OF THE JAYHAWK TOWER, TOPEKA KS

MAY 25, 2017

AGENDA

The Honorable Evelyn Z. Wilson, Chair, called the Kansas Sentencing Commission (KSSC) meeting to order on May 25, 2017 1:31 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 Janice Pauls
- Representative John Barker
- Senator Carolyn McGinn
- Jonathan Ogletree, Kansas Prisoner Review Board
- Melissa Johnson, Kansas Attorney General's Office Designee
- Chris A. Mechler, Office of Judicial Administration
- Secretary Joe Norwood, Department of Corrections
- Dan Dunbar, Shawnee County Chief Deputy District Attorney
- Stacey L. Donovan, Third Judicial District Chief Public Defender
- Meredith Butler, Eighth Judicial District Community Corrections Director
- Nathan Barnes, Public Member
- Terry J. Malone, Attorney

Guests:

Mitchel DePriest, Hein Governmental Consulting, LLC
Tim Madden, Senior Counsel, Department of Corrections

Staff:

- Scott M. Schultz, Executive Director
- Brenda Harmon, Special Assistant to the Executive Director
- Kunlun Chang, Director of Research
- Fengfang Lu, Senior Research Analyst
- George “Ebo” Browne, Research Analyst
- Erica Waggoner, Finance Director
- Trish Beck, Program Assistant
- Mariah Hodges, Administrative Assistant
- Anna Wolf, Attorney

Welcome New KSSC Members and Staff

Chair Wilson introduced new Sentencing Commission member Dan Dunbar, who is replacing Kevin Berens. Scott Schultz introduced new staff members, Anna Wolf, Attorney and Mariah Hodges, Administrative Assistant.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Wilson referred to the Sentencing Commission Meeting minutes of November 17, 2017 and January 20, 2017. Vice Chair Fowler moved to approve and Honorable Patrick McAnany seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Employee Award & Recognition Program

To encourage and recognize high achievement in the workplace, Executive Director Scott Schultz gave details regarding the quarterly Employee Award and Recognition Program. Listed below are the Program’s award and recognition categories.

- Distinguished Accomplishment;
- Meritorious Service;
- Kansas Quality Management;
- Volunteerism;
- Length of Service and
- Employee of the Quarter

Mr. Schultz presented the awards and recognitions for the first quarter of 2017 as follows:

- **Length of Service:** Fengfang Lu, Senior Research Analyst and Carrie Krusor, Data Entry Operator III;
- **Meritorious Service:** Rachel Cole, Data Entry Operator III; and
- **Employee of the Quarter:** George “Ebo” Browne, Research Analyst;

Workshop Attendance

Executive Director Scott Schultz reminded members of the 2017 KSSC Workshop scheduled for September 19th and 20th.

SB123 RFP Update

Executive Director Scott Schultz, provided an update on SB123 Request for Proposal (RFP).

2017 Legislative Update

Executive Director Scott Schultz presented the status of each proposed legislation requiring Kansas Sentencing Commission to complete a prison bed space assessment.

Discussion took place on the following legislative bills: HB 2086, HB 2087, HB 2088, HB 2089, HB 2090, HB 2092 and HB 2093.

Agency Report

Executive Director Scott Schultz provided a summary of the agency's activities since the last meeting. Mr. Schultz also reviewed Kansas Department of Corrections prison population reports.

Next Meeting

The next Sentencing Commission meeting will take place on June 22, 2017 at 1:30 P.M. in the Senate Room of the Jayhawk Tower.

The meeting adjourned at 2:02 P.M.