SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES

MINUTES

Jameson Annex

1600 N Drive

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Parole Board meetings were held on April 25th, 2024, and May 13th, 14th, 15th, and 16th, 2024 in various locations in the State of South Dakota. A Full Board meeting was held on May 15th, commencing at 9:01 A.M. with the following present:

Present:

Myron Rau, Board Chair

Kirsten Aasen, Vice Chair

Peter Lieberman, Member (TEAMS)

Jan Steele, Member  
 Patricia Meyers, Member

Vaughn Beck, Member

Ken Albers, Member

Kurt Hall, Member

John Brown, Member

Stacy Cole, Parole Admin Specialist

Karena Cassidy, Parole Admin Senior Secretary

Kennedy Goblirsch- Parole Admin Intern

Jayden Clark – Parole Admin Intern

Quorum Present? Yes

Absent:

SPECIAL GUESTS: Jeff Neill- SOMP, Sam Yost – Case Manager, Travis Donelan – Transitional Case Manager, Brenna Carlson – Program Manager, SOMP, Jordan Moos – Case Manager. Chuck Schroyer, Auxiliary Member.

AGENDA ITEMS:

APPEARED/REVIEWED BEFORE THE FULL BOARD IN SIOUX FALLS WEDNESDAY, May 15th, 2024:

The following offender was paper reviewed by the full board for a Parole hearing. Vice Chair Aasen made a motion to **grant parole,** andBoard Member seconded the motion. All board members voted aye; Board Member Lieberman was not available, the motion carried.

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Present:

Myron Rau, Board Chair

Kirsten Aasen, Vice Chair

Peter Lieberman, Member (via TEAMS)

Jan Steele, Member  
 Patricia Meyers, Member

Vaughn Beck, Member

Ken Albers, Member

Kurt Hall, Member

John Brown, Member

Stacy Cole, Parole Admin Specialist

Karena Cassidy, Parole Admin Senior Secretary

Georgia Will, Parole Admin Program Assistant I

Eilish O’Toole, Parole Admin Analyst

Quorum Present? Yes

Absent: N/A

SPECIAL GUESTS: N/A

APPEARED/REVIEWED BEFORE THE FULL BOARD IN SIOUX FALLS THURSDAY, May 16, 2024:

HEARING PANELS: Board Members Hall conducted DSP hearing virtually. Board Member Lieberman attended Full Board hearings virtually on Wednesday and Thursday.

BOARD TRAINING: Full Board Cases flow chart and online survey by Stacy Cole and Eilish O’Toole.

MINUTES: Board Member Meyers made a motion to approve the minutes for the April 2024 meeting of the Board. Vice Chair Aasen seconded the motion. All members voted aye; the motion carried.

**Parole Board/Admin**:

There was a Special Session held by the parole board on April 25, 2024, there were early discharges, pardons, waivers (parole/non-compliance) cases reviewed, as well as contested cases.

Governor Noem did not act upon any Clemency cases for the month of April. There are 69 Clemency files pending her approval.

There were 27 pardon applications received in April and the current set-out period is to July 2024.

Corrections Specialist, Stacy Cole went to Pierre in April and spoke at the Victim Assistants Academy, during that trip, she also hand delivered two Governor’s Warrants to the AG’s office.

Corrections Specialist/Parole Board Admin Manager, Shelli Gust began her employment with the Admin Office on April 29, 2024.

POLICY REVIEW: **Policy 8.1.A.5 Parole Decisions and Setting of Next Review Date**, was tabled until June Full Board Meeting. The main update will be the qualifier for the full board.

RECUSALS: Board Member Steele recused from the commutation hearing of Timothy Henry.

Break 10:17-10:33

*Special Session*

Board Member Albers made a motion to approve the special session clemency decisions, Board Member Steele seconded the motion. All board members voted aye; the motion carried.

ATTACHMENTS – DECISIONS: Please refer to the attached listing entitled Parole Board Actions for all parole violations, suspended sentence violations, non-compliance, discretionary parole, earned discharge, and rescission decisions made by the Board this month.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM The next full board meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2024.

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Myron Rau, Board Chair or Kirsten Aasen, Vice Chair

Submitted by:

Karena Cassidy

Senior Secretary

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