



BLAIR COUNTY PRISON BOARD

c/o Blair County Controller, 423 Allegheny St., Ste 141, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Blair County Prison Board Meeting of April 18, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. In the Commissioner's Public Meeting Room

Board Members in Attendance:

Commissioner Laura Burke, Commissioner Amy Webster (via phone), President Judge Wade Kagarise

Board Members not in Attendance:

Commissioner David Kessler, Controller A.C. Stickel, Sheriff James Ott, District Attorney Peter Weeks

Quorum: Present

Media in Attendance:

Non-Board Members in Attendance:

Warden Abbie Tate, Deputy Warden Cory Yedlosky, Deputy Warden Shaun Edmundson, Deputy Controller Angela Wagner, Carol Dannenberg (Hollidaysburg Community Watchdog)

Primecare Representatives in Attendance: NONE

AFSCME Representatives in Attendance: NONE

Prison Society Members in Attendance: Bob DuPout

Call to Order: Commissioner Burke called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection: Led by Commissioner Burke

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Led by Commissioner Burke

The roll was called by Commissioner Burke. Commissioner Webster joined via phone.

Call for Public Comment on Prison Board Items: Commissioner Burke called for public comment on Prison items. There were no comments at this time.

Approval of Minutes from March 21, 2024 Meeting: A motion was made by President Judge Karise and seconded by Commissioner Burke to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2024 Prison Board Meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

Recognition of BCP Employee: Warden Tate recognized the entire staff and administration in their effort with Prime Care and de-escalation recent situations. Warden Tate appreciates how quickly her staff leaps into action to resolve situations and thanks them for their continued efforts.

Inmate Population Report: Warden Tate provided an updated Inmate Population Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

Inmate Services Report: Deputy Warden Edmundson provided an updated Inmate Population Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

Warden's Report: Warden Tate provided the Warden's Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

Staffing Update: Deputy Warden Yedlosky provided a Staffing Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

COVID-19 Update: Warden Tate stated there were no COVID-19 issues with staff or inmates.

West Law Renewal: Warden Tate request the Prison Board vote on taking the West Law renewal contract to the Commissioners meeting. The current contract is up at the end of June and thought there has been discussion to merge it with other's the county has the sustained ability to use the system is vital for the prison to work day to day and provide documentation. A motion was made by Deputy Controller Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Burke to move it to Commoner's meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Amendment to the Prime Care Contract: Warden Tate requested the Prison Board vote to recommend submitting the amendment to the Prime Care (MAT Agreement) to the Board of Commissioners for their approval. This agreement would allow a medical assisted treatment for the prison working with Prime Care and Pyramid for the delivery of medication to the prison. This should be the last amendment to the MAT contract and will allow a secure system to verify medication coming into the prison and inmates receiving their treatments. A motion was made by Deputy Controller Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Webster to move it to Commoner's meeting. The motion passed unanimously

Prison Sub-Committees: No sub-committee reports presented at this time.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board, Judge Kagarise made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Commissioner Burke. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

The next monthly meeting will be held Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Public Meeting Room.

Respectfully Submitted,



August C. Stickel IV
Chairperson