

BOARD OF CORRECTIONS

May 1, 2014

LaGrange, Georgia

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. John Mayes, Chairman
Mr. Lee Anderson
Mr. Duke Blackburn
Mr. Wayne Dasher
Mr. Carl Franklin
Mr. Bruce Hudson
Mr. Tommy M. Rouse
Mr. Alton Russell
Ms. Rose Williams
Ms. Rocio D. Woody

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Bill Acuff
Sheriff Roger Garrison
Sheriff Stacy Jarrard
Mr. J. M. "Bob" Plemons
Mr. Jerry Willis

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS:

Mr. Gregory C. Dozier, Assistant Commissioner
Mr. Timothy C. Ward, Assistant Commissioner
Ms. Becky East, Director Administration Division
Mr. Cliff Hogan, Data Analyst
Mr. Walter Hudson, Investigations Unit
Mr. Rick Jacobs, Director of Facility Operations
Mr. Donald Jones, Investigations Unit
Mr. Robert E. Jones, General Counsel
Ms. Gayle Jordan, Chaplain
Ms. Simone Juhmi, Board Liaison
Mr. Michael Kraft, Director of Probation Operations
Mr. Kenneth Mantle, Executive Assistant
Mr. Johnny Miller, Investigations Unit
Mr. Randy Tillman, Facility Operations

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

Mr. Joseph Drolet, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Ms. Rebecca Dobras, Assistant Attorney General
Ms. Amy Radley, Attorney General's Office

Chairman John Mayes called the May meeting of the Board of Corrections to order at 10:00 a.m. and Board Liaison, Simone Juhmi, recorded the minutes. Chairman Mayes asked Chaplain Gayle Jordan to give the invocation. Chairman Mayes led the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed all visitors.

Chairman Mayes presented the May Agenda to the Board for approval. Mr. Wayne Dasher made the motion to approve, which was then seconded by Mr. Lee Anderson and the Agenda was voted approved by the Board as presented.

Chairman Mayes presented the April Minutes to the Board for approval. Mr. Alton Russell made the motion to approve, which was then seconded by Mr. Tommy Rouse and the Minutes were voted approved by the Board as presented.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Mr. Gregory C. Dozier, Assistant Commissioner, Chief of Staff, began the Commissioner's Report with the Upcoming Events for May, June and July 2014. Significantly mentioned were the Kids Fishing Derby, DRC Lite Graduations, Georgia Prison Wardens Association Conference and the Southern States Correctional Association Conference.

Next, Mr. Timothy C. Ward, Assistant Commissioner, Chief of Operations, reported on the Jail Backlog count, which is at 173. The total number of probationers waiting for placement is 500. Thus, the total number of state sentenced inmates in the state-wide jail system is 673. Mr. Ward stated the Sheriff's count is at 2,366; both counts are correct.

Subsequently, Mr. Cliff Hogan, Data Analyst, presented a brief report on the Georgia Prison Commitments. Some of the highlights mentioned were the Annual Commitments to Georgia Prisons, Commitments by Race, Male and Female Break Downs, Arrests by Race, Prison Commitments by Major Offense Code, Felonies between the year 2000 through 2013 and the FBI Uniform Crime Report. To conclude, Mr. Hogan showed a snapshot of Georgia Trends and some National Trends. This concluded Mr. Hogan's report.

This concluded the Commissioner's report.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Mayes began his report by thanking the staff at the Charles D. Hudson Transitional Center for hosting the Board of Corrections meeting. Next, Chairman Mayes gave a balance update for the Board of Corrections Flower Fund and for the Georgia Prison Wardens Association Scholarship Fund. Chairman Mayes requested the remainder of the funds for the Scholarship Fund so the \$1000.00 dollar goal could be met. The Scholarship will be presented to a recipient at the Awards Banquet in Savannah on June 2, 2014.

Chairman Mayes continued asking for any Old or New Business. Ms. Becky East, Director of Administration Division, presented a bond with six bond issues inside one bond package.

The first bond is a five year bond for \$462,800 dollars. The second bond is a twenty year bond for \$847,440 dollars. The third bond is a twenty year bond for \$261,080 dollars. The fourth bond is a five year bond for \$1,093,365 dollars. The fifth bond is a twenty year bond for \$856,000 dollars. The sixth and final bond is a twenty year bond for \$309,872 dollars. The total amount for this bond package is \$33,295,000 dollars which is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections.

The Board voted on the complete bond package with one vote. Mr. Wayne Dasher made the motion to approve, which was then seconded by Mr. Bruce Hudson, and the bond resolution was voted approved by the Board as presented.

Chairman Mayes reminded everyone that the Board will take an official photo at the next meeting on June 5th at State Offices South at Tift College in Forsyth, Georgia.

There being no further business, Chairman Mayes reminded the Board that the Building Dedication Ceremony for the Charles D. Hudson Transitional Center would commence at 11:00 a.m. Chairman Mayes asked for a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. Mr. Lee Anderson made the motion to approve, which was then seconded by Mr. Wayne Dasher, and the vote to adjourn was approved by the Board.

John Mayes, Chairman

Jerry Willis, Secretary

Simone Juhmi, Board Liaison