

MERCER COUNTY PRISON BOARD

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Mac McDuffie, Warden
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COUNTY OF MERCER

Prison Board President Pete Acker called to order the January 16th, 2024 Mercer County Prison Board meeting with roll call:

Members Present:

Pete Acker, District Attorney
Tim Callahan, Sheriff
Stephen Sherman, Controller
Ann Coleman, Commissioner
Timothy McGonigle, Commissioner
Bill Finley, Commissioner

Members Absent:

Daniel Wallace, President Judge

Others Present:

Mac McDuffie, Warden
Joe Reichard, Deputy Warden
James Scott, Deputy Warden
William McClure, IPP Director
Sharin Robb, Administrative Assistant
Melissa Klaric, Sharon Herald

Approval of Minutes:

Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the December 19th, 2023 meeting minutes. Controller Stephen Sherman makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Ann Coleman. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Wardens Report:

Warden McDuffie begins by stating that the current population is 219. In the month of December, there were 163 commitments and 156 releases with the average daily population of 217.5.

Warden McDuffie informs the board that staffing is a current issue right now for the jail. He states that the trend seems to be that applicants go through the academy, work for a few months and then resign. Deputy Warden Reichard states that a lot of the younger employees dislike the 24 hour a day operation that come

with the shifts needed to work. Warden McDuffie continues by stating that he intends to continue interviewing and hopes to be back to fully staffed soon.

Deputy Warden Reichard informs the board that Robert Griemann has been elected for the 2023 Officer of the Year award. Officer Griemann is a veteran who has been a corrections officer for 18 years. Deputy Warden Reichard states that Officer Griemann is a class act who has stood out amongst his fellow officers and he is proud to have him as an employee.

IPP Report:

IPP Director William McClure begins by stating that for the month of December, there were 77 referrals, 89 successful completions and 13 failures/revocations with 587 total participants. Savings to the county totaled \$267,042 which was based on 3,231 jail bed days saved from house arrest and pre-trial TASC. Community service hours completed totaled 715 which had a savings to the worksites of \$5,184. Domestic Violence fees collected had a total of \$600. There were also 64 jail review hearings and 11 DUI school completions.

President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the IPP Report. Commissioner McGonigle makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Coleman. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

New Business

Warden McDuffie recommends to the prison board to keep Pete Acker as President. Commissioner Coleman makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Finley. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

President Pete Acker asks for a nomination for Vice President of the prison board. Commissioner Ann Coleman makes a motion to nominate Timothy McGonigle for the position and it was seconded by Commissioner Finley. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

President Pete Acker nominates Judge Wallace to remain as Secretary of the prison board. Commissioner Coleman makes a motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Finley. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Old Business:

None.

Vendor Requests:

None.

Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to adjourn. Secretary McGonigle makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Finley. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Judge Daniel Wallace
Mercer County Prison
Prison Board Secretary