MERCER COUNTY PRISON BOARD

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COUNTY OF MERCER

Prison Board President Pete Acker called to order the August 16th, 2022 Mercer County Prison Board meeting with roll call:

Members Present:

President Pete Acker, District Attorney Secretary Judge Wallace, President Judge Stephen Sherman Matthew McConnell Timothy McGonigle Scott Boyd

Members Absent:

Vice President Bruce Rosa, Sheriff

Others Present:

Mac McDuffie, Warden James Scott, Deputy Warden Joe Reichard, Deputy Warden William McClure, IPP Director John Logan, Fiscal Administrator Lee Ann Nucerino, Fiscal Administrator Sharin Robb, Administrative Assistant Melissa Klaric, Sharon Herald Holly Patterson, Record Argus

Approval of Minutes:

Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the July 19th, 2022 meeting minutes. Secretary Judge Wallace makes the motion and it was seconded by Controller Stephen Sherman. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Wardens Report:

Warden Mac McDuffie begins by stating that the average daily population for the month of July was 191 with 175 commitments and 159 releases. Currently there are 15 state inmates awaiting state transfer with five leaving later this month. The work release program is also doing well with 12 inmates employed.

Warden McDuffie continues by stating that in the month of July there were 46 officer shifts needing filled

which is a decrease from 114 shifts in the month of June. Currently there is one full time officer spot available and several part time positions. The jail is going to continue to recruit and test candidates until staffing is back to normal levels.

Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the Wardens Report. Commissioner Timothy McGonigle makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Matthew McConnell. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

IPP Report:

IPP Director William McClure begins by stating there were 67 referrals for the month of July with 579 total clients. Savings to the county was \$184,970 based on 2,238 jail bed days. There were 808 community service hours completed resulting in a \$5,808 savings to work sites.

IPP Director McClure continues by stating that treatment court had three applicants with two being denied. There are currently 36 total in the program with seven participants phasing up, seven in aftercare, and one reoffending. 186 urinalysis' were also conducted with six being positive and three no shows.

Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the IPP Report. Commissioner Matthew McConnell makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Scott Boyd. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

New Business:

Deputy Warden Reichard would like to make the Prison Board aware that Adam Braymaker has officially accepted the Counselor position. Adam has excelled as an officer for five years and also has his Criminology degree. Deputy Warden Reichard says that he's excited to have Adam start and believes he will be very beneficial to the team.

Secretary President Judge Wallace asks the question of whether or not the bylaws state that the Prison Board has to meet monthly or if it can be changed to quarterly. Commissioner McConnell states that he knows the statutes say a meeting must take place four times at noon however, will check to see if it states monthly as well. Secretary President Wallace asks the board to consider quarterly meetings contingent on if bylaws don't require them to be monthly. Prison Board President Pete Acker states that he will check the statutes and report them next meeting.

Old Business:

None.

Vendor Requests:

Warden McDuffie states that he has one request from S.A. Comunale for a 5 year hydrostatic test on the external piping. This is a test to ensure that the valve assembly can reach up to 150 psi for two hours in the event that the fire department has to come. S.A. Comunale is the company that originally installed the fire suppression system within the facility. Warden McDuffie states that he does not believe a hydrostatic test has ever been conducted however, due to a previous incident that occurred within the fire department, it is now recommended to be done. Having this test done will also not hold the jail liable in case anything may happen between the fire department and the external piping. The quote for the test is \$4,545 which does include some repairs that S.A Comunale is saying needs done too.

Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to recommend to the commissioners for S.A. Comunale to test the external piping. Secretary Judge Wallace makes the motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Mcgonigle. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried. Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner McConnell makes the motion and it was seconded by Controller Sherman. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Judge Daniel Wallace Mercer County Prison Prison Board Secretary