MERCER COUNTY PRISON BOARD

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COUNTY OF MERCER

Prison Board President Pete Acker called to order the May 21st, 2024 Mercer County Prison Board meeting with roll call:

Members Present:

Pete Acker, District Attorney Timothy McGonigle, Commissioner Daniel Wallace, President Judge Stephen Sherman, Controller Tim Callahan, Sheriff Ann Coleman, Commissioner

Members Absent:

Bill Finley, Commissioner

Others Present:

Mac McDuffie, Warden Joe Reichard, Deputy Warden James Scott, Deputy Warden William McClure, IPP Director Amy Landfair, PBPP Supervisor Brian Cales, Deputy Melissa Klaric, Sharon Herald Sharin Robb, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Minutes:

Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the April 16th, 2024 meeting minutes. Commissioner Ann Coleman makes the first motion and it was seconded by Sheriff Tim Callahan. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Wardens Report:

Warden McDuffie begins by stating that for the month of April there were 188 commitments and 182 releases with an average daily population of 201. He continues by stating that Rachel Toy, Assistant Records Coordinator, has resigned. Interviews have officially started and there are hopes that a replacement will be found by the middle of June.

Prison Board President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the Wardens Report. Secretary Judge Wallace makes the first motion and it was seconded by Controller Stephen Sherman. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

IPP Report:

IPP Director William McClure begins by stating that for the month of April there were 82 referrals, 66 successful completions and 13 failures/revocations with a total of 635 participants. Savings to the worksites based on 644 community service hours had a total of \$4,671. For Treatment court, there were six applicants, three were denied and one had graduated. For Veterans court, there was one applicant, one admitted and zero denied. Mental Health court had four applicants, three denied and a current total of five.

President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the IPP report. Vice President Timothy McGonigle makes the motion and it was seconded by Secretary Judge Wallace. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

New Business

Warden McDuffie states that he received notification of a grant through PCCD for an amount of \$115,000 that is geared towards the Vivitrol shot inside jail facilities. He states that since 2016, the jail has had only 27 inmates who were started on the shot during their incarceration. Warden McDuffie states that the issue was that after the shot was administered, the inmate would have to be observed for 10 days and often time the inmate would get released within that timeframe. He states that the vivitrol program is still currently in the facility however, the grant would be more used for educational purposes or possibly a substance abuse counselor to assist. Secretary Judge Wallace makes comment that it would be a good idea to pursue as it may encourage more inmates to consider it and the courts could use it as a recommended condition of release. He recommends that a committee be put together to come up with a decision regarding the Vivitrol grant.

President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the recommendation to form a Vivitrol grant committee in order to come up with a decision to pursue prior to the end of June. Secretary Judge Wallace makes the first motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Coleman. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Old Business:

None.

Vendor Requests:

None.

President Pete Acker asks for a motion to adjourn. Secretary Judge Wallace makes the first motion and it was seconded by Commissioner Coleman. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Judge Daniel Wallace Mercer County Prison Prison Board Secretary