

MERCER COUNTY PRISON BOARD

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COUNTY OF MERCER

Prison Board President Pete Acker called to order the February 17th, 2026 Mercer County Prison Board meeting with roll call:

Members Present:

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

Members Absent:

Daniel Wallace, President Judge

Others Present:

Mac McDuffie, Warden
James Scott, Chief Deputy Warden
Jim Baker, Deputy Warden
Tyler Shoaf, IPP Director
Brian Cales, PBPP Deputy
Sharin Robb, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Minutes:

President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the January Prison Board minutes. Vice President Timothy McGonigle makes the first motion, and it was seconded by Sheriff Callahan. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Wardens Report:

Warden McDuffie begins by stating that for the month of January, there were 139 commitments and 148 releases with an average daily population of 201. He states that recently, four heating units were broken specifically in Max Control. Huzzy's was able to come and replace two of the units with the remaining two being repaired soon. Warden McDuffie states that besides the repairs, everything was normal for the month of January.

President Pete Acker asks for a motion to approve the Warden's Report. Commissioner Coleman makes the

first motion, and it was seconded by Sheriff Callahan. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

IPP Report:

IPP Director Tyler Shoaf begins by stating for the month of January, there were 59 referrals and 54 successful completions with a total of 567 participants. There were 4,269 jail bed days saved which created savings of \$534,000. Total amount of community service hours were 483 which had a savings to the work sites of \$3,502. Currently, there are 28 participants in Treatment Court, 20 in Veterans Court and 11 in Mental Health Court.

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

Committee Reports:

None.

New Business:

Warden McDuffie states that there has been a new and final FCC ruling which has effected the ViaPath contract. Currently, the jail is receiving the maximum amount that ViaPath is permitted to give when it comes to the phone call and tablet usage. With the new ruling, the commissions for the jail will be cut in approximately half than what was earned previously. This means that a new amendment to the current contract will be needed to reflect the changes of the commissions taking effect on April 5th, 2026.

Warden McDuffie states that he received an email regarding the possibility of funding a new program that assists with released inmates. The program is requesting the jail to cover the funds for new brochures and the customization of a new letterhead. Warden McDuffie states that the commissary funds that the proceeds would come from are to only be used to benefit the inmate population and cannot be utilized for the public or other members of the program. He states that this specific account is audited yearly, and it must be proven to be used appropriately. Warden McDuffie states that potentially, a digitized copy of the brochure may be uploaded to the tablet but at this time, he does not think that this request for funding would be appropriate to be utilized from the commissary account. President Pete Acker suggests tabling this discussion until another meeting can be had with the members of this new program.

President Pete Acker asks for a motion to table the possibility of funding the new program. Commissioner McGonigle makes the first motion, and it was seconded by Commissioner Coleman. Voice vote was unanimous, motion carried.

Old Business:

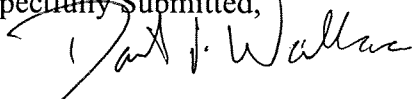
None.

Vendor Requests:

None.

President Pete Acker asks for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Coleman makes the first motion, and it was seconded by Vice President Timothy McGonigle.

Respectfully Submitted,



Judge Daniel Wallace
Mercer County Prison
Prison Board Secretary