

State of Oklahoma PARDON AND PAROLE BOARD

Pardon and Parole Board Meeting Parole Meeting Minutes January 2024

Monday, January 8, 2024 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Buchanan, Richard Miller, Edward Konieczny, Calvin

Prince, and Robert Reavis.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF: Tom Bates, Melinda Romero, Leroy Long, Jennifer Pando, and

Kyle Counts

GUESTS: None

I. Call to Order – Chairman Edward Konieczny

Following the Pardon and Parole Board business meeting, Chairman Konieczny called the Parole Meeting of the Pardon and Parole Board (PPB) to order at 12:33 p.m. on the Zoom Webinar ID# 1609381350.

II. Roll Call - Chairman Edward Konieczny

The members attending were Kevin Buchanan, Richard Miller, Edward Konieczny, Calvin Prince, and Robert Reavis. The voting order was announced as Kevin Buchanan, Robert Reavis, Richard Miller, Calvin Prince, and Edward Konieczny.

III. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Review: Commutations, S.I.R. Stage I, Parole, Parole Stage I, Reentry, Medicals, and Special Reviews – Chairman Edward Konieczny

The Board acted on inmates who were docketed for jacket review for Stage I commutations. The vote of the Board was recorded and is reflected on each inmate's ballot. The ballot for each inmate is available for reproduction at the Administrative Office of the PPB in accordance with the Open Records Act.

The Board took a brief break at 2:18 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 2:31 p.m.

IV. Discussion and Possible Action on Victim/Victim Representatives – Chairman Edward Konieczny

The Board heard protests from victims/victim representatives, for which inmates were being

considered. There was one in person Victim Protests. The Board took the protests under advisement until the inmates' consideration. The ballots for the inmates are available in the Administrative Office in accordance with the Open Records Act.

V. Discussion and Possible Action on District Attorney Protests – Chairman Edward Konieczny

The Board heard protests from District Attorney's/representatives, for which inmates were being considered. There were seven in person DA Protests. The Board took the protests under advisement until the inmates' consideration. The ballots for the inmates are available in the Administrative Office in accordance with the Open Records Act.

VI. Discussion and Possible Action on Pardon Applicants – Chairman Edward Konieczny The Board passed all January docketed cases to be heard at the February 2024 Board meeting.

VII. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Review: Commutations, S.I.R. Stage I, Parole, Parole Stage I, Reentry, Medicals, and Special Reviews – Chairman Edward Konieczny

The Board took action on inmates who had parole jacket reviews. The vote of the Board was recorded and is reflected on each inmate's ballot. The ballot for each inmate is available for reproduction at the Administrative Office of the PPB in accordance with the Open Records Act.

Chairman Konieczny recessed the meeting at 3:19 p.m. to reconvene on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom Webinar ID# 1609381350

Tuesday, January 9, 2024 9:00 a.m.

VIII. Reconvening of the Meeting – Chairman Edward Konieczny

Chairman Konieczny reconvened the meeting of the Pardon and Parole Board (PPB) at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom Webinar ID# 1609381350

IX. Roll Call – Melinda Romero, Deputy Director

Members in attendance were Kevin Buchanan, Richard Miller, Edward Konieczny, Calvin Prince, and Robert Reavis. A quorum was present.

X. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Reviews for Inmates with Delegates – Chairman Edward Konieczny

The Board took action on inmates who were docketed for jacket reviews and had delegates. The vote of the Board was recorded and is reflected on each inmate's ballot. The ballot for each inmate is available for reproduction at the Administrative Office of the PPB in accordance with the Open Records Act.

XI. Discussion and Possible Action on Personal Interviews with Inmates and Delegates – Chairman Edward Konieczny

The Board continued interviews with inmates who had a personal appearance for a parole

consideration and any delegate who signed up to present on their behalf. The vote of the Board was recorded and is reflected on each inmate's ballot. The ballot for each inmate is available for inspection at the Administrative Office of the PPB in accordance with the Open Records Act.

The Board took a brief break at 10:34 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

XII. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Review: Commutations, S.I.R. Stage I, Parole, Parole Stage I, Reentry, Medicals, and Special Reviews – Chairman Edward Konieczny

The Board took action on inmates who had parole jacket reviews. The vote of the Board was recorded and is reflected on each inmate's ballot. The ballot for each inmate is available for reproduction at the Administrative Office of the PPB in accordance with the Open Records Act.

The Board took a brief break at 11:44 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 11:50 a.m.

XVIII. Discussion and Possible Action on Aging Prisoner's Parole, Administrative Parole, Stage II Commutations, S.I.R. Stage I, Parole, Parole Stage I, Reentry, Medicals, and Special Reviews – Chairman Edward Konieczny

For Stage II Commutations, the Board interviewed the inmates and any delegates present. The Board then voted whether to recommend each commutation to the Governor. The vote of the Board was recorded and is reflected on each inmate's ballot.

XIII. Discussion and Possible Action on any unfinished business from agenda items III – XXI – Chairman Edward Konieczny

There was no unfinished business.

XIV. New Business Not Known or Which Could Not Have Been Reasonably Foreseen Before the Posting of the Agenda – Chairman Edward Konieczny

There was no new business.

Welinda Romero

XV. Adjournment - Chairman Edward Konieczny

All votes were declared final at the adjournment of the meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 1:03 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Romero

Deputy Director

The minutes for the January 2024 Pardon and Parole Board Meeting - Parole Meeting were approved by a majority vote on the 5th day of February 2024.