

**Tom Bates Executive Director** 

# State of Oklahoma PARDON AND PAROLE BOARD

# **Pardon and Parole Board Meeting Parole Meeting Minutes** February 2022

#### Monday, February 7, 2022 9:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Richard Smothermon, Larry Morris, Kelly Doyle, Scott Williams, and Edward Konieczny
MEMBERS ABSENT:	None
STAFF:	Tom Bates, Melinda Romero, Leroy Long, Jennifer Pando, and Kyle Counts
GUESTS:	None

# **GUESTS:**

#### **Call to Order – Acting Chairman Larry Morris** I.

Following the Pardon and Parole Board business meeting, Acting Chairman Morris called the Parole Meeting of the Pardon and Parole Board (PPB) to order at 10:20 a.m. on the Zoom Webinar ID# 91464359801.

#### II. **Roll Call – Acting Chairman Larry Morris**

The members attending were Richard Smothermon, Larry Morris, Kelly Doyle, Scott Williams, and Edward Konieczny. The voting order was announced as Richard Smothermon, Scott Williams, Kelly Doyle, Larry Morris, 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 – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

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 lunch break at 11:27 a.m.

### IV. Reconvening of the Meeting – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

The Board reconvened at 1:30 p.m. In attendance were Scott Williams, Edward Konieczny, Larry Morris, Richard Smothermon and Kelly Doyle. A quorum was present.

# V. Discussion and Possible Action on Victim/Victim Representatives – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

The Board heard protests from victims/victim representatives, for which inmates were being considered. There were two 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.

# VI. Discussion and Possible Action on District Attorney Protests – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

The Board heard protests from District Attorney's/representatives, for which inmates were being considered. There were eighteen 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.

VII. Discussion and Possible Action on Pardon Applicants – Acting Chairman Larry Morris The Board heard presentations and interviewed pardon applicants. The vote of the Board was recorded and is reflected on each applicant's ballot. The ballot for each applicant 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 2:33 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 2:38 p.m.

### VIII. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Review: Commutations, S.I.R. Stage I, Parole, Parole Stage I, Reentry, Medicals, and Special Reviews – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

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.

Acting Chairman Morris recessed the meeting at 4:04 p.m. to reconvene on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. via Zoom Webinar ID# 91464359801

Tuesday, February 8, 2022 8:30 a.m.

### IX. Reconvening of the Meeting – Acting Chairman Larry Morris Acting Chairman Morris reconvened the meeting of the Pardon and Parole Board (PPB) at 8:30 a.m. via Zoom Webinar ID# 91464359801

#### X. Roll Call – Melinda Romero, Deputy Director

Members in attendance were Richard Smothermon, Larry Morris, Scott Williams, Edward Konieczny, and Kelly Doyle. A quorum was present.

# XI. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Reviews for Inmates with Delegates – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

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.

### XII. Discussion and Possible Action on Personal Interviews with Inmates and Delegates – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

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 9:50 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 9:58 a.m.

The Board took a brief break at 11:21 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 11:26 a.m.

### XIII. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Review: Commutations, S.I.R. Stage I, Parole, Parole Stage I, Reentry, Medicals, and Special Reviews – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

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.

### 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 – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

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.

The Board took a lunch break at 12:39 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

# XIV. Discussion and Possible Action on any unfinished business from agenda items III – XXI – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

There was no unfinished business.

XV. New Business Not Known or Which Could Not Have Been Reasonably Foreseen Before the Posting of the Agenda – Acting Chairman Larry Morris There was no new business.

# XVI. Adjournment – Acting Chairman Larry Morris

All votes were declared final at the adjournment of the meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 4:08 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Romero

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The minutes for the February 2022 Pardon and Parole Board Meeting - Parole Meeting were approved by a majority vote on the  $7^{th}$  day of March 2022.