

Tom Bates Executive Director

State of Oklahoma PARDON AND PAROLE BOARD

Pardon and Parole Board Meeting Parole Meeting Minutes March 2022

Monday, March 7, 2022 9:30 a.m.

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

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I. **Call to Order – Chairman Scott Williams**

Following the Pardon and Parole Board business meeting, Chairman Williams called the Parole Meeting of the Pardon and Parole Board (PPB) to order at 10:02 a.m. on the Zoom Webinar ID# 99272704487.

II. **Roll Call – Chairman Scott Williams**

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

III. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Review: Commutations, S.I.R. Stage I, Parole, Parole Stage I, Reentry, Medicals, and Special Reviews - Chairman Scott Williams

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 10:58 a.m.

IV. Reconvening of the Meeting – Chairman Scott Williams

The Board reconvened at 1:31 p.m. In attendance were Scott Williams, Edward Konieczny, Larry Morris, and Richard Smothermon. A quorum was present.

V. Discussion and Possible Action on Victim/Victim Representatives – Chairman Scott Williams

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 – Chairman Scott Williams

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 - Chairman Scott Williams

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 2:32 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 – Chairman Scott Williams

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 Williams recessed the meeting at 3:03 p.m. to reconvene on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. via Zoom Webinar ID# 99272704487

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

IX. Reconvening of the Meeting – Chairman Scott Williams Chairman Williams reconvened the meeting of the Pardon and Parole Board (PPB) at 8:30 a.m. via Zoom Webinar ID# 99272704487

X. Roll Call – Melinda Romero, Deputy Director

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

XI. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Reviews for Inmates with Delegates – Chairman Scott Williams

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 – Chairman Scott Williams

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 10:06 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:15 a.m.

The Board took a brief break at 12:07 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 12:12 p.m.

XIII. Discussion and Possible Action on Jacket Review: Commutations, S.I.R. Stage I, Parole, Parole Stage I, Reentry, Medicals, and Special Reviews – Chairman Scott Williams

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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 Scott Williams

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 12:42 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 1:23 p.m.

The Board took a lunch break at 3:19 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 3:26 p.m.

XIV. Discussion and Possible Action on any unfinished business from agenda items III – XXI – Chairman Scott Williams

There was no unfinished business.

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

XVI. Adjournment – Chairman Scott Williams

All votes were declared final at the adjournment of the meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 4:12 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Romero

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The minutes for the March 2022 Pardon and Parole Board Meeting - Parole Meeting were approved by a majority vote on the 11th day of April 2022.