

California Rehabilitation Oversight Board Minutes
January 8, 2014 Meeting

The California Rehabilitation Oversight Board (C-ROB) met in open session at 9:30 a.m. on September 11, 2013, at the California State University, Alumni Center, 6024 University Drive South, Sacramento, California.

Board Members: Present at the meeting were **Robert Barton**, Inspector General (Chairman); **Jeff Beard**, Secretary, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR); **Wendy Still**, Chief Adult Probation Officer for the City and County of San Francisco (Senate Committee on Rules appointee); **Susan Turner**, Professor, University of California, Irvine (President of the University of California appointee); **William Arroyo, M.D.**, Regional Medical Director, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health; **Ian Parkinson**, Sheriff, County of San Luis Obispo (Governor Appointee); **Jennie Singer**, Professor, California State University, Sacramento (Chancellor of California State University appointee); **Pam Ahlin**, Director of Hospital Strategic Planning and Implementation, State Hospitals (Designee for Cliff Allenby, Director (A), Department of State Hospitals); **Brenda Grealish**, Division Chief, Division of Mental Health Care Services, Department of Health Care Services). Absent from the meeting was **Patricia Terry**, Education Administrator, Adult Education Office, California Department of Education (Designee for Tom Torlakson, Superintendent of Public Instruction) and **Debra Jones**, Dean, Career Education Practices, Workforce and Economic Development, California Community Colleges (Designee for Brice Harris, Chancellor, California Community Colleges).

Office of the Inspector General staff: Reneé Hansen, C-ROB Executive Director; James C. Spurling, Counsel to the Board; Linda Whitney, Board Secretary, Jana Boccalon, Analyst, and Misty Polasik, Office of the Inspector General.

Presenters:

CDCR:
Millicent Tidwell
Rodger Meier
Jason Lopez
Robert Downs

Public Comments:

Helen Roth-Dowden
Roger White

Item 1. Call to order.

Chairman Barton called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

Item 2. Introduction and establish quorum.

Chairman Barton introduced Office of the Inspector General staff participating in the meeting and asked Board Members to introduce themselves. A quorum was established. Mr. Barton announced that this would be Ms. Hansen's last board meeting as Executive Director and that she will be moving within the OIG and assuming new duties. Mr. Barton thanked her for her service to the C-ROB Board and stated that Misty Polasik would be taking over Ms. Hansen's duties as Executive Director for C-ROB.

Item 3. Review agenda.

There were no comments concerning the Agenda.

Item 4. Review and approve minutes from the November 13, 2013 board meeting.

The minutes were unanimously approved with one edit.

Item 5. Executive Director updates.

Ms. Hansen read a synopsis of the department's recently published Realignment Report. She also updated the board regarding the approximate number of inmates at the contract facilities: 300 inmates at California City, 600 at McFarland, 700 at Central Valley, 700 at Desert View, 600 at Shafter, and 204 at Delano.

Item 6. 2013 Outcomes Report.

Ms. Hansen reported that the Outcomes Report is not yet available so this agenda item will be moved to our next meeting.

Item 7. FY 2014-15 Budget and FY 2013-14 Rehabilitation Budget Status.

Robert Downs and Jason Lopez reported on the FY 2014-15 Budget. Mr. Lopez reported that the department is on track to spend 98% of their 375 million dollar total budget. They expect about a 5 million dollar surplus. Plans are in place to use the surplus on Blueprint deliverables. The surplus came from community-based programs. The delay of reentry hub contracts contributed to the surplus. Mr. Lopez also reported that an update of SB 105 would be in Friday's budget announcement.

Item 8. Logic Model Update and Program Implementation, Blueprint Implementation Status, and Case Management Pilot Results.

Millicent Tidwell and Rodger Meier reported on these agenda items. Ms. Tidwell shared several accomplishments of the Department of Rehabilitative Programs for the previous year. A few of the accomplishments being over 3,915 GED and high school diplomas issued to inmates during the year; 5073 inmates were enrolled in VEP college courses; ISP has the first online college courses running; CALTRANS work crew contracts for parolees; CA ID program implemented at all institutions; and COMPAS requirements are being incorporated into the Title 15.

Mr. Meier reported that 95.8% of inmates have CSRA scores and 99.3% of parolees have a CSRA score. Mr. Meier also reported that the department hired 159 new teachers last fiscal year which has reduced the vacancy rate from 21.5% to 4.5%. The department is continuing to expand academic programs – they have added 35 of 70 planned programs and of the 55 additional classes planned for CTE expansion, 34 have been added.

Mr. Meier also reported on the Blueprint Implementation Status. He stated the 2012-13 milestone of adding 88 new teacher positions has been completed. He further stated that with the addition of California City, additional teachers for CTE, education and VEP will be added. The department is on-target for implementation of reentry hubs, transitions and the CA ID program. While the department was on-target in 2013-14 with the Long Term Offender Program pilot, the establishment of a Sex Offender Treatment pilot program is not on-target.

Mr. Meier also reported on the Case Management Pilot Program results. He reported that in 2007, the Expert Panel suggested implementing case plans. In 2012 the department was supposed to have 500 inmates in the group (250 as a control group and 250 as a pilot group). The pilot actually had 61

in the control group and 111 in the pilot. The results showed that for those inmates in the pilot group 77% had all needs met and 23% had at least one need not met; as compared to the control group where 65% of inmates had all needs met and 35% had at least one need not met. From the pilot program results, case management plans appear to better meet the needs of the inmates.

Item 9. Future board meeting schedule.

Ms. Hansen reviewed the calendar and future board meeting dates of March 12, July 14, and September 10. Also, a report writing subcommittee meeting is calendared for August 6.

Item 10. Future agenda items.

Ms. Hansen stated that a parole presentation encompassing California parole supervision and the renegotiation model was suggested as a future agenda item. Jennie Singer mentioned a potential agenda item being a presentation from a former bureau of prisons inmate regarding his Straight-A Guide program for inmates.

Item 11. Public comment.

Roger White from SEIU gave a quick update regarding the academic survey and thanked the board for all its suggestions and input regarding the survey.

Helen Roth-Dowden thanked the chairman for his comments regarding checking the effectiveness of programs and suggested that they have an easy way to measure they can share with the department.

Item 11. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

C-ROB Secretary

Dated

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