

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS
ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**

MEETING: Advisory Board

DATE: February 8, 2024

START TIME: 12:06 p.m.

LOCATION: Community Corrections
309 S Broadway Blvd
Salina, KS 67401

END TIME: 12:27 p.m.

MEETING CHAIR: Todd Heitschmidt

DATE REPORT SUBMITTED: February 14, 2024

ATTENDANCE LIST:

Todd Heitschmidt	Stan Fruits	Judge Amy Norton	Glenna Phillips
George Troutfetter	Kevin Ellis	Millie Moye	LaNay Meier
Douglas Lawson	Russell Thornton	Robert Collier	Susan Montague
Phillip Smith-Hanes	Hannah Bett	Rodger Sparks	

NUMBER OF MEMBERS ABSENT: 10

STAFF PRESENT: 5

Michelle Callam	Krisann Barnaby	Sherry Krous
Brian Vessar	Cory Ward	

Todd Heitschmidt called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m.

1. Director's Report

a. New Staff Position and Staff Member

Director Callam introduced Cory Ward to the board as the new Pre-Trial Supervisor. She also shared that Zackary Reddin is the new juvenile intensive supervision officer. He is currently working with St. John's Missionary Baptist Church to start a mentoring program for Community Corrections clients. Sarah Wheeler also just accepted the Pre-Trial/Adult ISO job, filling the position Cory Ward left when he accepted his new supervisory role.

b. Community Corrections Specialty Court Conference

Director Callam shared that the December training went very well, with Community Corrections being able to provide the training to all our staff and having a little over \$1,000.00 remaining from registration fees after all expenses were paid. Total attendance was 168 from around Kansas, plus all Community Corrections staff. Speakers are currently being sought for training for 2024.

2. Approval of Minutes (action)

Todd Heitschmidt asked for any revisions or additions to the October 19, 2023, Advisory Board meeting minutes.

George Troutfetter made a motion to approve the October 19, 2023, Advisory Board meeting minutes as submitted by staff. Millie Moye seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Amendment of Bylaws

Todd Heitschmidt reported that he met with Director Callam, Glenna Phillips, George Troutfetter and Sherry Krous. The bylaws for the 5th Judicial District and Santa Fe Community Corrections were reviewed. Changes have been made that will reduce the number of board members to 18 and add a vice chair to fill in when the chair is not available. George Troutfetter noted that some of the language was changed to allow more flexibility. Todd noted that the amended by-laws would be presented at the next board meeting for approval.

4. Kansas Department of Corrections

a. KDOC Funding Increase Request for Community Corrections

Director Callam reported that the agency has received notice of its funding allocation for FY25. She noted that the agency will be flat funded which ultimately results in reduced funding because other costs continue to increase, however the agency will be okay because of personnel changes. KDOC has requested a 5 million dollar increase in Community Corrections funding for FY25. The governor included half that increase in her FY25 budget. However, the Senate Ways and Means Committee has included the whole amount. KDOC is still waiting to see what the recommendation of the House Appropriations Committee will be.

5. Specialty Court Committee

a. Committee Update

Drug Court Supervisor, Brian Vessar has been appointed to the State Legislature's Committee for Specialty Courts. Their next meeting will be in person in Topeka, KS.

Brian also spoke briefly about work being done for this year's training. NADCP should be able to assist with expenses for speakers for the training. We will also work with the Chamber of Commerce to provide a block of hotel rooms for attendees. Speaker availability will determine training dates.

6. Adjournment (action)

Todd Heitschmidt asked for a motion to adjourn the February 8, 2024 board meeting.

Judge Amy Norton made a motion to adjourn the February 8, 2024, meeting at 12:27 pm. LaNay Meier seconded the motion. The motion passed.