

California Sex Offender Management Board
January 24, 2008, 9:00 AM
Department of Mental Health

Minutes:

Introduction/Updates

- Members of the Board check in:
 - Quorum is present.
 - Suzanne Brown-McBride (chair)
 - Tom Tobin (Co-chair)
 - Gerry Blasingame
 - Catherine Duggan
 - Brenda Epperly-Ellis
 - Janet Gaard
 - Michael Johnson
 - Pamela King
 - Sophia McBeth-Childs
 - Nancy O'Malley
 - Shirley Poe
 - Jerry Powers
 - Judge Peter Espinoza
 - Dave Runnels
 - Diane Webb
- SARATSO committee updates:
 - SARATSO committee conducts monthly meetings and met yesterday,
 - The members discussed CDCR's upcoming Static 99 assessment training for personnel at CDCR, Probation, and DMH.
 - Reason for flurry of activity is that sex offenders must begin assessment by July 1, 2008.
 - Next charge of committee is to examine dynamic risk assessment instruments.
- Discussion over best method of categorizing sex offenders:
 - By crime of commitment
 - Or by risk assessment
 - Some believe upcoming Adam Walsh Act will overturn science-based risk assessment.
- State transient number, as of January 22, is 2879.

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- Corrections made to December minutes.
- Motion to approve minutes as amended made by Jerry Powers; motion seconded by Tom Tobin and approved by board.

Contract

- Laurie Harikian opens discussion about the contract currently in process between Sac State and CASOMB.
- Not required to go through bidding process.
- Discussion over whether to enter an RFP process, which averages 9 -11 months and may therefore pose a time conflict.

- Nancy O'Malley moves to approve contract and Gerry Blasingame seconds it. No one opposes—motion is approved

Report

- Discussion about whether to ask for an extension.
 - Issue is whether to favor the report's quality, by taking more time, or its window of usefulness, by working with the timeline of the state legislature.
 - CDCR attorneys say this report draft does not have to be made public.
- Board adjourns so committees can meet to discuss edits.
- Board reconvenes to discuss report sections and specific issues:
 - Graphic on page 28.
 - Many members are not happy with the numbers or style of graphic.
 - Board discusses whether to replace it with a pie chart but ultimately votes to reject it entirely.
 - Whether to include sections not obligated to go into this report.
 - Investigation and Adjudication? Board votes to include this section.
 - Notification and Registration? Board votes to include this section.
 - Proposition 83 additions? Board votes to include these because they are current, relevant, and policymakers expect them to be addressed.
 - Whether to include maps.
 - Jerry Powers moves to temporarily remove the maps until better data can be gathered.
 - Order of chapters.
 - Members decide to begin with Victims chapter then proceed sequentially from the process of investigation through offender reentry, so the chapters follow the process chronologically as it occurs in our legal system.
 - Glossary
 - Board decides to use glossary that came out of the CASOM Task Force.
 - Color Scheme
 - Most members want the red-and-black color scheme toned down.
 - Editing
 - Members give hand-edits to Jennie Singer before she leaves.
 - All edits must be in by Monday at noon. They can be faxed to Jack Wallace.

Next meeting will take place at 9:00 A.M., Thursday, February 21, 2008.