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PAROLE COMMISSION  
Staff Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 22nd, 2023  
3099 East Washington Avenue  
Madison, WI 53704

Presiding: Jon Erpenbach, Chair

Present: Doug Drankiewicz, Jennifer Kramer, Shannon Pierce, Sara Tome, Oliver Buchino

Guests: Alaina Bunger, Eric Barbour, Amanda Readman

The meeting began at approximately 11:00 AM.

Chairman Erpenbach opened by introducing himself and members of the Commission, and invited members of the public to submit questions about Commission practice and policy to the Commission phone or email address. The Chair reiterated the Commission's efforts to ensure victim input in the parole process, including the Chair holding such meetings in-person. The Chair then invited the Commissioners to present agenda items.

Commissioner Drankiewicz suggested conversations be held with the DOC Division of Community Corrections (DCC) to ensure complete information be detailed in Pre-Release Investigations (PRIs) when they are requested by the Commission. There have been a number of recent agent hires with DCC, and it was described how the Commission had previously given presentations to agents on this process.

Commissioner Kramer detailed a need for direction on Interstate Compacts and Special Purpose Evaluations (SPEs) when they are requested by the Commission. Commissioner Drankiewicz agreed that these should be communicated with the Chair prior to making these requests, and the Chair agreed.

Commissioner Drankiewicz described recent DOC decisions regarding SOT programming. He noted he would not be comfortable recommending release in certain cases where SOT needs had been downgraded to SOT1 based on hours completed, as opposed to successful programming satisfaction. The Chair agreed further conversations with the Division of Adult Institutions (DAI) would assist with this. Commissioner Drankiewicz noted he would continue to make programming endorsements, and leave it to the DOC as to determining exact needs.

The public session meeting concluded at approximately 11:11am. The meeting then transitioned into closed session, and the no-action case presented by Commissioner Drankiewicz was reviewed.