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#### SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD

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### **SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD**

October 5, 2023, 2023 1:00pm-4:00pm Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Brad Meryhew Jill Getty Sonja Hardenbrook Jimmy Hung Hon. Nelson Lee Michael O'Connell Terrina Peterson Mac Pevey Jamie Weimer

Members Absent: Richard Torrance Blanche Barajas Keith Devos Christine Minney Jedd Pelander Donald Redfield

<u>Staff:</u> Whitney Hunt, OFM Lauren Knoth-Peterson, OFM Keri-Anne Jetzer, OFM

<u>Members Represented by</u> <u>Proxy:</u> Christian Brown for Shawn Sant

Guests: Alex Mayo, WA Voices, Marc Baldwin, OFM; Vasiliki Georgoulas-Sherry, OFM

**IMPORTANT NOTE**: The recording for this meeting is available upon request and/or be viewed here.

#### **Meeting Notes**

### Welcome & Call to Order

• Whitney reminded meeting participants of best practices for the meeting, stated that the meeting is being recorded and the recording is available upon request, shared and reviewed the duties of the SOPB, and stated there will be an opportunity for public comment at the end of the meeting during the "For the Good of the Order" section.

#### **Meeting Objectives**

#### **Chair Comments on SOPB Process and Community Notification**

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• **Brad**, **Lauren**, and **Jimmy** gave comments pertaining to the history, purpose, and duties of the SOPB (please see meeting <u>recording</u> for full comments).

## SGC/SOPB Joint Project Discussion

- **Brad** stated the goal for today's meeting is to vote on the rankings of the sex offenses in question and asked board members to comment.
- Jamie shared that WASPC will be abstaining from voting on the proposed grid.
- Christian stated that the board would have benefitted from additional meetings prior to voting on this.
  - WAPA will abstain from voting on some offenses.
- Mac stated that DOC will be abstaining from voting.
- Whitney stated that there is not a quorum at today's meeting, so a vote is not possible.
  - **Jamie** suggested the board take a break to get one more board member present to have a quorum so the board can vote on this matter today.
  - **Brad** agreed.

# <u>BREAK</u>

# SGC/SOPB Joint Project Discussion (Resumed)

- Hon. Nelson Lee joined the meeting. The board reached a quorum.
  - Brad briefed Hon. Nelson Lee on the status of the meeting.
- Hon. Nelson Lee stated he will be abstaining from voting today.
- **Brad** and **Christian** shared it would be best to hold a special meeting in order to include missing voices/votes in the final report to the SGC.
- The board agreed to have a ballot sent out to be read on the record at a special meeting on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

# MOTION # 23-10 MOTION TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING OCTOBER 10, 2023 TO VOTE ON FELONY SEX OFFENSES RE-RANKING

- MOVED: Brad Meryhew
- SECONDED: Jimmy Hung
- ABSTAINED: N/A
- **PASSED:** Unanimously

## Next Steps & Housekeeping

- Next SOPB meeting: October 10, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.
- Deadline: SOPB recommendations will be reviewed by the SGC on October 13, 2023.
- Potential special meeting to be called by the Chair for housekeeping-related items.

## For the Good of the Order

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- **Brad** approved the meeting transition to public comment.
- The public was allotted time for comment which can be viewed here for more information. Comments can also be emailed to sopb@ofm.wa.gov.

# Meeting Adjourned at 3:44 PM

### APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD

/s/\_\_\_\_\_1/18/24\_\_\_\_ Chair, Brad Meryhew Date

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