



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD

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**SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD**

September 21, 2023, 2023 1:00pm-4:00pm

Zoom Meeting

Members Present:

Brad Meryhew  
Richard Torrance  
Blanche Barajas  
Jill Getty  
Sonja Hardenbrook  
Hon. Nelson Lee  
Michael O'Connell  
Jedd Pelander  
Terrina Peterson  
Jamie Weimer

Members Absent:

Keith Devos  
Christine Minney  
Donald Redfield  
Mac Pevey

Staff:

Whitney Hunt, OFM  
Lauren Knoth-Peterson, OFM  
Keri-Anne Jetzer, OFM

Members Represented by

Proxy:

Christian Brown for Jimmy  
Hung and Shawn Sant

Guests: Alex Mayo, WA Voices

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The recording for this meeting is available upon request and/or may be viewed [here](#).

**Meeting Notes**

**Welcome & Call to Order**

- **Whitney** reminded meeting participants to mute their microphones when not speaking and asked them to use the chat function through Zoom whenever they would like. **Whitney** also reminded everyone 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**

**SGC/SOPB Joint Project Discussion**

- **Lauren Knoth-Peterson and Keri-Anne Jetzer** shared offense ranking data and information regarding updates to the proposed grid formula from a recent SGC Class A subcommittee meeting.
  - **Brad and Jamie** voiced concern about the deadline for this project with the updates made to the proposed grid.
  - **Brad** reminded the board that these conversations are still in the early stages, and nothing said here is taken as final.
- **Whitney** shared a list of crimes by grid level (current and proposed) for discussion.
- **Brad** opened the conversation on the following offenses (to include data review, input from lived experience, and/or recommendations – please see meeting [recording](#) for full conversation):
  - **Rape 1**
    - Current: SL 12, Class A
    - Proposed level options: 14-15 (New Grid)
  - **Rape 2**
    - Current: SL 11, Class A
    - Proposed level options: SL 13-14 (New Grid)
  - **Rape 3**
    - Current: SL 5, Class C
    - Proposed level options: SL 5-6 (New Grid)
  - **Indecent Liberties w/Forcible Compulsion**
    - Current: SL 10, Class A
    - Proposed level options: SL 10-13 (New Grid)
  - **Indecent Liberties w/out Forcible Compulsion**
    - Current: SL 7, Class B
    - Proposed level options: SL 6-8 (New Grid)
  - **Rape of a Child 1**
    - Current: SL 12, Class A
    - Proposed level options: SL 14-15 (New Grid)
  - **Rape of a Child 2**
    - Current: SL 11, Class A
    - Proposed level options: SL 13-14 (New Grid)
  - **Child Molestation 1**
    - Current: SL 10, Class A
    - Proposed level options: SL 12-13 (New Grid)
  - **Child Molestation 2**
    - Current: SL 7, Class B
    - Proposed level options: SL 7-8 (New Grid)
  - **Child Molestation 3**
    - Current: SL 5, Class C
    - Proposed level options: SL 5-6 (New Grid)
  - **Promoting Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor**

- Current: SL 12, Class A
  - Proposed level options: SL 14-15 (New Grid)
- **Commercial Sexual Abuse of a Minor**
  - Current: SL 8, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 7-8 (New Grid)
- **Sexual Exploitation of a Minor**
  - Current: SL 9, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 10-11 (New Grid)
    - Increase to SL 11 would require offense be moved to Class A.
- **Communication with a Minor for Immoral Purposes**
  - Current: SL 3, Class C
  - Proposed level options: SL 2-3 (New Grid)
- **Sending, Bringing into the State Depictions of Minors 1**
  - Current: SL 7, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 7-8 (New Grid)
- **Sending, Bringing into the State Depictions of Minors 2**
  - Current: SL 5, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 5-6 (New Grid)
- **Dealing in Depictions of Minors 1**
  - Current: SL 7, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 7-8 (New Grid)
- **Dealing in Depictions of Minors 2**
  - Current: SL 5, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 5-6 (New Grid)
- **Possession of Depictions of Minors 1**
  - Current: SL 6, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 6-7 (New Grid)
- **Possession of Depictions of Minors 2**
  - Current: SL 4, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 4-5 (New Grid)
- **Viewing Depictions of Minors 1 (Newest statute in this area)**
  - Current: SL 4, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 4-5 (New Grid)
- **Viewing Depictions of Minors 2 (Unranked)**
  - Current: SL 4, Class C
  - Proposed level options: SL 4-5 (New Grid)

**BREAK**

**SGC/SOPB Joint Project Discussion (Resumed)**

- The board resumed discussions on the following offenses (please see meeting [recording](#) for full conversation):

- **Incest 1**
  - Current: SL 6, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 6-7 (New Grid)
- **Incest 2**
  - Current: SL 5, Class C
  - Proposed level options: SL 5-6 (New Grid)
    - Increase to SL 6 would require offense be moved to Class B.
- **Custodial Sexual Misconduct 1**
  - Current: SL 7, Class B
  - Proposed level options: SL 7-8 (New Grid)
- **Custodial Sexual Misconduct 2**
  - Current: SL 5, Class C
  - Proposed level options: SL 5-6 (New Grid)
- **Sexually Violating Human Remains**
  - Current: SL 5, Class C
  - Proposed level options: SL 5-6 (New Grid)
- **Sexual Misconduct with a Minor 1**
  - Current: SL 5, Class C
  - Proposed level options: SL 5-6 (New Grid)
    - Increase to SL 6 would require offense be moved to Class B.
- **Voyeurism**
  - Current: SL 2, Class C
  - Proposed level options: SL 2-3 (New Grid)
- **Failure to Register as a Sex Offender (Second violation committed on or after 6/10/2010)**
  - Current: SL 2, Class C
  - Proposed level options: Make the same proposal SOPB made in Dec. 2022 in its [report](#).
- **Failure to Register as a Sex Offender (Third or subsequent violation committed on or after 6/10/2010)**
  - Current: SL 2, Class B
  - Proposed level options: Make the same proposal SOPB made in Dec. 2022 in its [report](#).

### **Next Steps & Housekeeping**

- Deadline: SOPB submits its recommendations to SGC on October 9, 2023.
  - SGC meeting on the topic is October 13, 2023.
- Next SOPB full board meeting: October 5, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

### **For the Good of the Order**

- **Brad** approved the meeting transition to public comment.

