



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD

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**SEX OFFENDER POLICY BOARD**

June 20, 2024, 1:00pm-4:00pm

Zoom Meeting

Members Present:

Brad Meryhew  
Jamie Weimer  
Gunner Fulmer  
Jill Getty  
Sonja Hardenbrook  
Jimmy Hung  
Michael O'Connell  
Jedd Pelander  
Terrina Peterson  
Mac Pevey  
Trisha Smith

Members Absent:

Mayor Blanche Barajas  
Shawn Sant  
Hon. Nelson Lee  
Donald Redfield

Staff:

Whitney Hunt, OFM

Members Represented by

Proxy:

Tabitha Yockey for Keith  
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Guests: Alex Mayo, WA Voices; Joanne Smieja, WA Voices; Dr. Elena Lopez, BHA; Frank Wright, CAGE; Heidi Brodt, CAGE; Bruce Glant, CAGE; Megan Allen, KCSARC; Lorraine Lynch, KCSARC; Dominic Winter, DOC; Jennifer Williams, DOC; Leonard Floyd, DOC; Michelle Bonnylcke, DOC; Marilyn Harrison, CAGE

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The recording for this meeting is available on request.

**Welcome & Call to Order**

**Meeting Objectives**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION #24-16 MOTION TO APPROVE THE MAY 30, 2024, MEETING MINUTES**

- **MOVED:** Brad Meryhew
- **SECONDED:** Dr. Michael O'Connell
- **ABSTAINED:** N/A
- **RESULT:** PASSED

## Presentations - Re: HB2178 Assignment and Lifetime Supervision

### - End of Sentence Review Committee (ESRC) overview, by Jedd Pelander

- **Jedd Pelander** shared a presentation pertaining to the history, background, purpose, and tasks of the ESRC. \* Please click [here](#) to view a copy of the presentation slides.
  - **Brad** asked if the Washington State Classification Risk Level tool is used.
    - **Jedd** stated it is used for juvenile cases.
  - **Dr. Michael O'Connell** asked if ESRC is involved in SOSSA releases. He further noted that the history of the 2001 legislation that created lifetime supervision was done in order to take pressure off of the legal process for civil commitment and was an oversight that did not include SSOSA cases.
    - **Jedd** stated that, except for juveniles, SOSSA cases are reviewed at the county level.

### - Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (ISRB) overview, by Jill Getty

- **Jill Getty** shared a presentation, put together by her and Corey McNalley, about the ISRB and its responsibilities, mission and jurisdiction, and more. \* Please click [here](#) to view a copy of the presentation slides.
  - **Brad** asked about where, and if, victims were involved in the ISRB process.
    - **Jill** provided information about the existing process around victim and survivor notification and shared recent updates to the process. She noted that anyone that wants to be involved in hearing from victims and survivors is welcome and encouraged to do so and the Board is working hard to make contact with victims sooner upon intake.
    - **Brad** asked how successful they are in finding those victims or survivors.
    - **Jill** stated that it's been a problem in the past which is why they're trying to start the process earlier.
  - **Jamie Weimer** shared that it would be helpful for the board to hear about what can help victims in situations where individuals are being released when the victims were told they wouldn't be released and noted a circular referral back to victim services isn't always helpful.

## BREAK

### - Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) overview, by Jamie Weimer and Terrina Peterson

- **Jamie Weimer** and **Terrina Peterson** introduced themselves, spoke about their roles, and shared a presentation pertaining to Sex Offender Registration, Notification, and Address Verification. \* Please click [here](#) to view a copy of the presentation slides.

- **Brad** reminded the board that while they're talking about pathways off supervision, they're not talking about registration, which is a separate policy with a separate set of rules.

**- Assessing the National Landscape of Supervision Policies, by Dr. Lauren Knoth-Peterson (PSPRC)**

- **Dr. Lauren Knoth-Peterson** gave a presentation with a comparison about Lifetime Supervision among different states identified in Appendix F of the 2022 Report.
  - **Brad** asked how many states identified have pathways off supervision.
    - **Dr. Knoth-Peterson** stated that 15 of the 19 states identified do have a pathway off supervision.
  - **Brad** asked if there is a trend in reform efforts.
    - **Dr. Knoth-Peterson** stated that in many of the states where there are policies for a pathway off of supervision that they were either established in the last 5 years or modified in the last 5-10 years to increase the number of individuals that were eligible to petition.

**Next Steps**

- The next full board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM.
  - Presentations at next meeting:
  - Perspectives and voices of the victims' community regarding lifetime supervision.
  - Perspectives and voices of the lived experience community regarding lifetime supervision.

**For the Good of the Order**

- **Brad** approved the meeting transition to public comment.
  - **Whitney** reminded meeting participants that comments could also be emailed to [sopb@ofm.wa.gov](mailto:sopb@ofm.wa.gov).
- Public comments were received. For more information, please see the recording [here](#).

**Meeting Adjourned at 4:01 PM**

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

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/s/  
Chair, Brad Meryhew

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