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# <u>NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING</u> <u>RESTORATIVE JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE</u> <u>Meeting Minutes</u>

Place: The Parole Board 12 Mercer Road Natick, MA 01760

Date and Time: November 12, 2019 from 11:00AM-1:00PM

#### **Agenda Items:**

#### 1. Call to Order

At 11:12 am, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Andrew Peck.

	<b>Board Members</b>	Present	Absent
1	Chair-Andrew Peck	X	
2	Scott Taberner (*1)		X
3	Rep. Sean Garballey		X
4	Sen. James Eldridge		X
5	Becky Michaels	X	
6	Allison S. Cartwright	X	
7	John Millett	X	
8	Ret. Chief Fred Ryan		X
9	Diane Coffey	X	
10	Sheriff Nicholas Cocchi (*2)	X	
11	Judge Rosemary Minehan		X
12	Kara Hayes	X	
13	Carolyn Boyes-Watson	X	
14	Erin Freeborn	X	
15	Cheis Garrus		X
16	Susan Jeghelian	X	
17	Strong Oak Lefebvre	X	

(\*1) Scott Taberner participated by phone from 11:15AM-12:00PM

(\*2) Designee Mary Quinn

### **EOPSS Staff:**

Anjeza Xhemollari

### Others in attendance:

Monica Dominique, Brenda Nolan, Bernard Nolan and Jo-Ann Della Giustina.

### 2. Welcome

Board members went around the room introducing themselves.

### 3. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 8, 2019

The motion was made by John Millet to approve the draft meeting minutes. The motion was second by Becky Michaels and carried unanimously with no objections or abstentions.

# 4. Presentation by Carolyn Boyes-Watson, Director at Center for Restorative Justice at Suffolk University: An Overview of Contemporary Restorative Justice Movement

Carolyn provided an overview of Contemporary Restorative Justice Movement and worldwide movement for social change. Within the presentation, Carolyn discussed different practices that bring people together and solve problems, such as face to face. Carolyn talked about how Restorative Justice was brought into the schools and practiced with creating a culture of belonging and respect. Carolyn also talked about the accomplishments and partnerships done by the Center for Restorative Justice at Suffolk University.

### 5. Update from the Funding Subcommittee (third meeting)

Susan and Scott (by phone) provided a full breakdown of the budget request. The Funding Subcommittee strongly requested funds to hire a full time administrator and a part time assistant. The Funding Subcommittee made this a <u>top priority</u> (see attached budget request). The total amount of FY20 Supplemental Budget and FY21 State Budget is \$ 485,000.00 The Chair thanked the subcommittee members for their work but wasn't sure if the leadership at EOPSS would approve new FTE's. Some members thought the request was high. The Chair suggested that EOPSS, Senator Eldridge and Susan have a meeting and go over the budget request. Anjeza was going to set up the meeting.

# 6. Update from the Reporting Subcommittee (first meeting)

Becky Michaels gave a short update on the annual report. Becky told the committee members that if they have any edits to the report, they must provide them by November 22, 2019. Committee members will email Becky directly.

# 7. Public comment (10 minutes)

Members of the public were content with the progress being made. Brenda Nolan provided Anjeza with an article, "*Individual and Collective Accountability in a Restorative Framework*" by Kay Pranis to be distributed among the members.

# 8. Open Session for Topics not Reasonably Anticipated within 48 Hours of the Meeting $\rm N/A$

### 9. Adjourn

Allison Cartwright made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:07PM. Becky Michaels seconded the motion. It carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned