

MINUTES OF SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY BOARD MEETING

March 10, 2017

Meeting was convened on Friday, March 10, 2017, at 1:05 p.m. at Salem District Court, Session E Courtroom, 4th Floor, 56 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970.

Present: Board: Kevin Hayden, Chair, Emilio Cruz, Tracey Downs, Laurie Humbert, Vesna Nuon, Elina Wayrynen

Other agency staff: Laurie Myers, Executive Director; Bill Burke, General Counsel

I. Minutes:

A Motion was made to approve the draft minutes from the 7/17/15 Board Meeting. The Board voted to approve the minutes.

II. Board and Agency Updates

a. Clear and Convincing rehearings, Kevin Hayden and Tracey Downs

- About one-third of SJC Clear and Convincing remands remain to be re-heard. This progress was made despite our losing one hearing examiner and one Board Member during the past year
- The open hearing examiner posting has received numerous applications, and interviews are being scheduled and will begin shortly
- We expect to post the open Board Member position soon

b. SORIS 2

- SORIS-2 enhancements are being made. Staff training and testing are scheduled for May, and the updated system should go live in June. At that point, the development process will be done.

c. Hearings Unit report, Tracey Downs, HU Director

- Our hearings schedule has balanced Clear and Convincing re-hearings with new classifications.
- We are scheduling hearings into December at this time.
- The hiring of a new Hearings Examiner will help manage the case load. Board Member caseloads will continue to be managed factoring in their other duties, such as preliminary classifications and reclassification reviews. Hearing Examiner caseloads will also be managed, but the Chair suggested that any necessary overloads be given to Hearing Examiners, who do not have the other duties.

d. Future Board Meetings:

The date of the next Board meeting is not scheduled at this time.

- e. Emilio Cruz expressed concern about a staff member dealing with family illness.

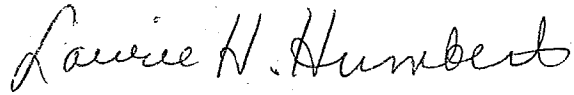
III. Move to Executive Session.

A Motion was made to move to Executive Session without a return to the Public Meeting. The Motion was approved, and the Public Meeting ended at 1:25 p.m.

IV. Adjournment

Following the completion of the Executive Session, the Sex Offender Registry Board Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie H. Humbert".

Laurie H. Humbert