

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS
ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**

MEETING: Advisory Board

DATE: January 20, 2022

START TIME: 12:04 p.m.

LOCATION: Community Corrections
309 S Broadway Blvd
Salina, KS 67401

END TIME: 12:41 p.m.

MEETING CHAIR: Paul Forrester

DATE REPORT SUBMITTED: January 24, 2022

ATTACHMENT(S) ENCLOSURES: Yes No

ATTENDANCE LIST:

Paul Forrester	Brent Melander
Kevin Emerson	Glenna Phillips
George Troutfetter	Andy Houltberg
Russell Thornton	Crystal VanCoevern
Judge Mary Thrower	Robert Collier
Susan Montague	Conni Steininger
Phillip Smith-Hanes	

NUMBER OF MEMBERS ABSENT: 11

STAFF PRESENT: 6

Annie Grevas	Michelle Callam
Sherry Krous	Brian Vessar
Andrew Pellant	Kyle Jones

**SUMMARY OF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
FOR**

Minutes Approved: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Director's Report Given: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Items Covered:	1. Approval of Minutes (action) 2. Director's Report a. New staff: Kyle Jones b. New board members: Robert Collier and Katrina Pollet c. FY21 Adult Community Corrections Statistical Report d. MOU with KSU – Diversity and Inclusion in Drug Court Program 3. Pre-Trial Program a. Remodel cost request (action) 4. Kansas Department of Corrections a. Corrective Action Plan Review b. Letters to Governor, Legislators 5. Salina Grace Update 6. Adjournment (action)	
Items Passed:	Minutes Remodel Cost Request Adjournment	
Items Defeated:		
Items Tabled/Carried Over:		
Misc. Issues Covered:		
Next Meeting Set: April 21, 2022		
Unresolved Issues: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Task	Responsible Individual	Target Date
Minutes	Sherry Krous	January 27, 2022
Next Meeting's Suggested Agenda:	Approval of Minutes (action) Director's Report KDOC FY23 Adult/Behavioral Health Comprehensive Plan (action) KDOC FY23 Juvenile Services Comprehensive Plan (action) Update on KSU Study DMC Committee Report Adjournment (action)	
Prepared By: Sherry Krous		

Minutes:

1. **Approval of Minutes (action)**

Paul Forrester called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m..

Paul Forrester asked for any revisions or additions to the November 18, 2021 Advisory Board meeting minutes.

Mary Thrower made a motion to approve the November 18, 2021 Advisory Board meeting minutes as submitted by staff.

Kevin Emerson seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

2. **Director's Report**

a. New Staff: Kyle Jones

Director Grevas introduced returning staff member, Kyle Jones, and thanked him for returning.

b. New board members: Robert Collier and Katrina Pollet

Director Grevas announced the appointment of two new board members. Robert Collier works for Child Advocacy and Parenting Services. He introduced himself and shared that he has worked with youth through St. Francis and CKMHC in the past, and is now working directly with KDOC involved youth through CAPS. Katrina Pollet was not in attendance at the meeting, but Director Grevas noted that she has been appointed to the board by the Ottawa County Commission.

c. FY21 Adult Community Corrections Statistical Report

Director Grevas shared the agency's successful release rate of 83.1% for FY21 from KDOC's Statistical Report. This was a large increase over successful release rates of prior years.

d. MOU with Kansas State University – Diversity and Inclusion in Drug Court Program

Drug Court Coordinator, Brian Vessar, shared that the agency has partnered with Dr. Melander of Kansas State University to study data, and ensure that Drug Court Program practices are unbiased. An MOU has been completed, and the data collected from the 2017 – 2021 time period will be reviewed over the next several months.

3. **Pre-Trial Program**

a. Remodel Cost Request

The remodel is due to be complete in about 3 weeks. Total cost of the remodel to the additional space for the Pre-Trial Program is around \$82,000.00. Director Grevas requested board approval to expend \$30,000.00 from the agency's reimbursement dollars to cover a portion of those costs. Payment of that amount now will reduce the rent increase from about \$1,300.00 per month to about \$800.00 per month. The agency will also request ARPA funds to help cover the costs of the remodel.

George Troutfetter made a motion that the board approve the expenditure of the \$30,000.00 toward the remodel costs.

Kevin Emerson seconded the motion

The motion passed.

4. **Kansas Department of Corrections**

a. Corrective Action Plan Review

Director Grevas noted that the final report has been received from KDOC and was forwarded to the board for their

review.

b. Letters to Governor, Legislators

Pre-Trial Program Coordinator, Andrew Pellant, shared that after 10 years of flat funding from KDOC, this agency would require an additional 7 full time employees to meet base guidelines for supervision. The Governor has recommended additional funding for Community Corrections, and without it, public safety will suffer. Board members were urged to contact their legislators to encourage approval of the increase in Community Corrections funding.

5. Salina Grace

The most recent Salina Grace update was shared with the board. Director Grevas thanked the Board again for approval of the funding to assist Salina Grace to remain open and continue to serve our clients and community.

6. Adjournment (action)

Paul Forrester asked for a motion to adjourn the January 20, 2022 board meeting.

Mary Thrower made a motion to adjourn the January 20, 2022 meeting at 12:41 pm.

Andy Houltberg seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

The next board meeting date is April 21st, 2022.