

Nebraska Board of Parole  
Business Meeting Minutes  
Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Central Office  
Folsom & West Prospector Place, Bldg. 1  
June 6, 2017

The business meeting convened at 2:30 p.m. on June 6, 2017 with the following persons present: Rosalyn Cotton, Chair; Rex Richard, Vice Chair; Randall Rehmeier, Member; Virgil Patlan, Member; Teresa Bittinger, Member; Nicole Miller, Legal Counsel, Jennifer Miller, Program and Fiscal Analyst; Reporter/Assistant

I. The business meeting was called to order at 2:34 p.m. by Chair Cotton.

II. Roll call by Reporter/Assistant:

Ms. Cotton:	Present
Mr. Richard:	Present
Mr. Rehmeier:	Present
Mr. Patlan:	Present
Ms. Bittinger:	Present

a. Chair Cotton announced that notice of this public meeting was placed on the Board of Parole website on May 23, 2017; and notice of publication was placed in the Lincoln Journal Star on May 20, 2017.

b. Chair Cotton announced that Open Meetings Act information is available in the room.

III. A motion was made by Mr. Rehmeier and seconded by Mr. Richard to approve the agenda.

Ms. Cotton:	Present
Mr. Richard:	Present
Mr. Rehmeier:	Present
Mr. Patlan:	Present
Ms. Bittinger:	Present

IV. A motion was made by Mr. Patlan and seconded by Mr. Richard to approve the business meeting minutes from May 2, 2017.

V. The floor was open for public comments on items listed on the agenda. No public comments were posed.

VI. A motion was made by Mr. Patlan to submit a request for an opinion from the Attorney General's office related to operations of the agency.

A motion was made by Ms. Cotton and seconded by Ms. Bittinger to go into closed session at 2:39 p.m.

Ms. Cotton:	Yes
Mr. Richard	Yes
Mr. Rehmeier:	No
Ms. Bittinger:	Yes
Mr. Patlan:	No

A motion was made by Ms. Cotton and seconded by Mr. Richard at 2:50 p.m. to return to the business meeting.

Ms. Cotton:	Yes
Mr. Richard	Yes
Mr. Rehmeier	Yes
Ms. Bittinger:	Yes
Mr. Patlan:	Yes

Return to Mr. Patlan's motion to submit a request for an opinion from the Attorney General's office related to operations of the agency. Mr. Rehmeier seconded the motion.

Ms. Cotton:	No
Mr. Richard	Yes
Mr. Rehmeier	Yes
Ms. Bittinger:	No
Mr. Patlan:	Yes

VII. A motion was made by Ms. Cotton and seconded by Mr. Richard to defer update from the Director of Supervision and Services (Julie Micek) until next business meeting.

Ms. Cotton:	Yes
Mr. Richard	Yes
Mr. Rehmeier	Yes
Ms. Bittinger:	Yes
Mr. Patlan:	Yes

VIII. Data Presentation – Jennifer Miller

-Ms. Miller presented the last four (4) months of data, focusing on April 2017

-Ms. Cotton requested, for transparency purposes, that Ms. Miller present

- a monthly report at future business meetings
- Mr. Patlan suggested that data be added to the website in a more legible format for the public
- Ms. Miller reiterated that training for Unity Plus software is scheduled for June 13, 2017

Public comment period was reopened. Public comments were received from:

Jerrall Moreland and James Davis – Ombudsman’s Office:

- Suggested that data on website be public-friendly
- Suggested that the difference between Offender Board Reviews & Parole Hearings be denoted on website
- Specifically want to know who is being paroled & reaching out to the Board for ideas

IX. Next business meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in Lower Level Conference Room in DCS Central Office.

X. A motion was made by Ms. Cotton and seconded by Mr. Richard to adjourn meeting at 3:09 p.m.

Ms. Cotton:	Yes
Mr. Richard	Yes
Mr. Rehmeier	Yes
Ms. Bittinger:	Yes
Mr. Patlan:	Yes

Minutes prepared by Reporter/Assistant on 6-7-17.