

APPROVED MINUTES
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
BOARD OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL JAILS
JAIL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

Regular Meeting..... February 15, 2022, 1:00 PM

Location.....6900 Atmore Drive, Richmond, Virginia

Presiding..... Mr. Charles Jett, Acting Chairman

Present.....John F. Anderson, Jr., Board of Local and Regional Jails
Cleopatra Booker, Board of Local and Regional Jails
Vernie Francis, Jr., Board of Local and Regional Jails
Charles Jett, Board of Local and Regional Jails
Heather Masters, Board of Local and Regional Jails
Karen Nicely, Board of Local and Regional Jails
Roland Sherrod, Board of Local and Regional Jails
Bobby Vassar, Board of Local and Regional Jails

Ayeesha Meekins, Attorney General Office, Board Counsel
Ryan McCord, Executive Director, Board Staff
Alison Lautz, Death Investigator, Board Staff
John Rock, Death Investigator, Board Staff
Tawana Ferguson, Jail Inspector, Board Staff

Temporary Voting Powers

Due to the absence of Ms. Pena, Board Chair Vernie Francis served as Acting Chair.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were brought before the Committee for approval.

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Anderson and duly seconded, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the January 11, 2021 Jail Review Committee meeting minutes.

Public Comment

None

Presentation

Board of Local & Regional Jails
Jail Review Committee
January 11, 2022

None

Motion to close session

The following was offered by Mr. Anderson as a motion:

I MOVE that the Jail Review Committee begin CLOSED session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(16) to discuss or consider medical and mental health records; and pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(8) to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Anderson and duly seconded, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendations.

Motion to include non-Board members in closed session

The following was offered by Mr. Anderson as a motion:

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3712(F) I MOVE that the presence of the following individuals will reasonably aid this board in considering the subject of the closed session:

Names of the individuals to be included:

**Ryan McCord
Ayesha Meekins
Alison Lautz
John Rock
Tawana Ferguson**

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Anderson and duly seconded, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendations.

Reconvene Open Session

Upon the members' return to open session, Mr. Anderson offered the following in the form of a motion:

I MOVE that the Jail Review Committee reconvene our open session having concluded a closed session to discuss or consider medical and mental health records and to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. I MOVE that this committee and its individual members certify that during the closed session, the Jail Review Committee limited its discussion to matters lawfully exempt from the

public meeting requirements and identified in the closed session motion. If a Member cannot so certify, I ask that they state the reason specifically on the record and that the recorder take role.

All members in attendance certified by Roll Call.

Actions

Mr. Jett made the following recommendations in the form of a motion:

The Jail Review Committee investigated the following cases by reviewing institutional, medical, and mental health records and other relevant evidence of the circumstances surrounding each death. The Jail Review Committee further finds that investigation did not reveal any evidence indicating that the facility was out of compliance with the regulations promulgated by the Board. NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE that the following cases be recommended to the Full Board for closure:

- *20-0029**
- *20-0017**
- *20-0030**
- *20-0018**
- *20-0022**

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Jett and duly seconded, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendations.

General Discussion

None

Other Comments

There being nothing further, the meeting was *Adjourned*.