

BOARD OF CORRECTIONS

December 3, 2015

Forsyth, Georgia

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Rose Williams, Chairman
Ms. Sonja R. Allen-Smith
Mr. Lee Anderson
Mr. Duke Blackburn
Mr. Mac Collins
Mr. Wayne Dasher
Sheriff Roger Garrison
Mr. Larry E. Haynie
Sheriff Stacy Jarrard
Mr. John Mayes
Mr. Tommy M. Rouse
Mr. Alton Russell
Mr. W. D. Strickland
Ms. Rocio D. Woody

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Carl L. Franklin
Mr. Bruce Hudson
Ms. Andrea Shelton
Mr. Jerry Willis

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS:

Commissioner Homer Bryson
Mr. Gregory C. Dozier, Chief of Staff
Mr. Scott Poitevint, Assistant Commissioner
Mr. Timothy C. Ward, Assistant Commissioner
Ms. Jennifer Ammons, General Counsel
Mr. Terry Edge, Training Director
Mr. Hal Gibson, Director of Engineering & Construction Services
Ms. Joan Heath, Director of Public Affairs
Mr. Brad Hooks, Georgia Correctional Industries
Ms. Simone Juhmi, Board Liaison
Mr. Ricky Myrick, Director of Office of Professional Standards
Mr. Clay Nix, Office of Professional Standards
Ms. Amy Pataluna, Georgia Correctional Industries
Mr. J.M. "Bob" Plemons, Legislative Liaison
Mr. Mike Riley, Office of Professional Standards
Mr. Andrew Russo, Correctional Lieutenant, GDCP
Mr. Nicholas Spates, Tech Service
Mr. Clay Tatum, Warden of Rogers State Prison
Dr. Steven Turner, Chaplain
Mr. Mark Waldron, Office of Planning
Mr. Norman Wilson, Executive Director of GCI

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

Mr. Joseph Drolet, Senior Assistant Attorney General

VISITORS:

Ms. Lynn Blackburn, wife of Duke Blackburn
Ms. Lisa Haynie, wife of Larry E. Haynie
Ms. Melissa Hargrove, Sr. Acct. Executive, NORESCO
Ms. Kristen Kinney, Budget Analyst, OPB
Mr. David Pratt, Southern Strategy Group
Ms. Susan Strickland, wife of W. D. Strickland
Ms. Stacy Williams, Director, Cherokee Sheriff

Chairman Rose Williams called the December meeting of the Board of Corrections to order at 10:00 a.m. and Board Liaison, Simone Juhmi, recorded the minutes. Chairman Williams asked Chaplain Steven Turner to give the invocation.

Chairman Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance, recognized all guests and visitors and the Board meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed to business.

Next, Chairman Williams presented the December Agenda to the Board for approval. Mr. Duke Blackburn made the motion to approve, which was then seconded by Sheriff Roger Garrison and the Agenda was voted approved by the Board as presented.

Chairman Williams presented the November Minutes to the Board for approval. Mr. Alton Russell made the motion to approve, which was then seconded by Ms. Sonja Allen-Smith and the Minutes were voted approved by the Board as presented.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Homer Bryson began his report stating the Upcoming Events calendar is located in the back of the booklets. Next, Commissioner Bryson presented a four page overview PowerPoint highlighting keys areas within the agency such as inmate population, inmate security levels, bed utilization, safe and secure facilities, inmate services, fire services and Correctional Industries.

Next, Mr. Norman Wilson, Executive Director of Georgia Correctional Industries, gave a Georgia Correctional Industries update on manufacturing, monthly net sales comparison, monthly net income loss comparison, major contributing plants for sales increases, other contributing factors to increase sales, OJT program, tag plant startup and major projects ahead.

Immediately following, Assistant Commissioner Timothy C. Ward presented the Facilities Operations Division update by introducing Warden Clay Tatum of Rogers State Prison to present a facility overview. Warden Tatum began his presentation with the general history and mission of Rogers State Prison. Some highlights discussed were work details, education, OJT, programs food service and farm services.

Subsequently, Assistant Commissioner Timothy C. Ward presented an Employee Recognition plaque on behalf of the Board of Corrections and Commissioner Homer Bryson to Correctional Lieutenant Andrew Russo, of Georgia Diagnostic and Classification Prison. The plaque was given to Mr. Russo for "*Going Above and Beyond the Call of Duty.*" A photo was taken of the plaque presentation.

This concluded the Commissioner's Report.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Rose Williams requested in lieu of Vice Chairman Jerry Willis' absence, Ms. Amy Pataluna, Food Service Director of Georgia Correctional Industries to present the Food and Farm Committee presentation. Ms. Pataluna showed a short presentation and gave the members a packet with information regarding food and farm.

Next, Mr. Wayne Dasher, Chair of the Nominations Committee, reported on the nomination of officers for 2016. Mr. Dasher stated the committee reviewed all nominations and the final recommendations are that we would like to reelect the present Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary for 2016. Therefore, I would like to make a motion to approve Rose Williams for Chairman, Jerry Willis for Vice Chairman and Alton Russell as Secretary. Mr. John Mayes and Ms. Rocio Woody seconded the motion and the nomination was voted approved by the Board.

Next, Chairman Williams continued with any Old or New Business. Ms. Jennifer Ammons, General Counsel, presented property resolutions for Atlanta Fleet Management Demolition, Arrendale State Prison Laundry Building Demolition, Griffin PO/DRC Surplus and the Gateway Diversion Center Surplus. Ms. Ammons gave brief descriptions of the purpose of each resolution.

The first resolution is the Atlanta Fleet Management Demolition. This resolution is to demolish three (3) accessory buildings adjacent to the maintenance shop buildings, namely BLLIP ID# 712, Canine Programs Trailer, BLLIP ID#717, Vehicle Wash Shed and BLLIP#718, Office. All three buildings have been abandoned, contain no salvageable equipment of value and have been identified as hazardous in their present state; therefore, we would like to demolish them.

The second resolution is the Arrendale State Prison Laundry Building Demolition. The Laundry Building (BLLIP ID #8480) has been damaged in a fire which occurred on September 3, 2015

and an insurance adjustor from the Georgia Department of Administrative Services has surveyed the building and has determined it to be not economically repairable; therefore, we would like to demolish this building.

The third resolution is the Griffin PO/DRC Surplus. Essentially, the Georgia Department of Corrections has ceased operations on the Griffin PO/DRC property and has no intent to use the property in the future; therefore, we would like to transfer custody of this property to the Georgia State Properties Commission.

The final resolution is the Gateway Diversion Center Surplus. Likewise, the Georgia Department of Corrections has ceased operations on the Gateway Diversion Center property and has no intent to use the property in the future. In addition, the Georgia Department of Community Supervision has assumed operations on the property pending transfer to a new location; therefore, we would like to transfer custody of this property to the Georgia State Properties Commission.

Mr. Wayne Dasher made the motion to approve all four resolutions, which were then seconded by Mr. Alton Russell, and the property resolutions were voted approved by the Board as presented.

Chairman Williams reminded the members the holiday luncheon will begin immediately following adjournment of the board meeting. In addition, the next board meeting will be on January 7th in Forsyth at State Offices South at Tift College.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Rose Williams, Chairman

Alton Russell, Secretary

Simone Juhmi, Board Liaison