

**Minutes of the Kansas Sentencing Commission Meeting
October 22, 2015**

The Honorable Evelyn Z. Wilson, Chair, called the Kansas Sentencing Commission meeting to order on October 22, 2015 at 1:35 p.m.

Participants:

Members:

- Honorable Evelyn Z. Wilson, Chair
- Honorable W. Lee Fowler, Vice Chair
- Honorable Patrick D. McAnany
- Senator David B. Haley
- Representative Tom Sawyer
- Representative John J. Rubin
- Senator Carolyn McGinn
- David W. Riggan, Kansas Prisoner Review Board
- Amy Hanley, Kansas Attorney General's Office
- Chris A. Mechler, Office of Judicial Administration
- Tim Madden, Department of Corrections Designee
- Kevin N. Berens, Thomas County Attorney
- J. Shawn Elliott, Attorney
- Elizabeth M. (Betsy) Gillespie, Director of Corrections, Johnson County
- Stacey L. Donovan, 3rd Judicial District Chief Public Defender
- Edward (Eddie) J. Regan, Public Member
- Reverend Junius B. Dotson, Public Member

Guests:

Kathleen Graves, Deputy Secretary, Department of Corrections
Stuart Little, Ph.D., Little Government Relations, LLC
Ed Klumpp, Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police and Kansas Sheriffs' Association

Staff:

Scott M. Schultz, Executive Director
Brenda Harmon, Special Assistant to the Executive Director
Charlene Peacock, Utilization Review/SB 123 Program Director
Trish Beck, Program Assistant
Ebo Browne, Research Analyst
Jesse Becker, Finance Director
Fengfang Lu, Senior Research Analyst

Agency Report

Scott Schultz provided a summary of the agency's activities since the last meeting and advised the Commission on the agency's upcoming activities:

- SB 123 Treatment Providers Payment System (TPPS) – In addition to accepting credit cards for the online purchase of Desk Reference Manuals, the agency is partnering with Kansas.gov to craft a new, expanded and automated version of TPPS to assist with online portal/tracking on payments and allowing treatment providers to electronically file invoices for purchase of service. Work is being completed on a grant application for this project.
- A SB 123 Update Workshop will be held October 30, 2015 at the Jayhawk Tower, Florentine Room in Topeka.
- The 2015 KSC Workshop will take place on November 18 and 19. Mr. Schultz requested brainstorming ideas for further development of a legislative agenda for the upcoming session.

Mr. Schultz referred to and discussed KDOC's monthly letter reflecting the current prison capacity as well as the Prison Population Monthly Monitoring Report.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Wilson referred to the Sentencing Commission Agenda. Amy Hanley moved to approve the agenda as written. Chris Mechler seconded the motion and the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Wilson referred to the Sentencing Commission meeting minutes of August 27, 2015. Betsy Gillespie moved to approve the minutes as written. Judge Fowler seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

Approval of Proposed Changes in SB 123 Modality Reimbursement Rates

Chris Mechler and Charlene Peacock and the SB 123 Subcommittee provided the commission members with the proposed changes in treatment modalities to be effective January 1, 2016:

- Assessment rate change from \$200 to \$175
- Social Detox rate change from \$200 to \$150 with a change in the cap from 3 to 5 days
- Intensive Outpatient conversion from hours to days with a 30 day cap and \$120 a day
- Re-Integration currently has no cap- adding a 60 day cap and increasing reimbursement from \$37 to \$70 a day.

Kevin Berens moved to approve the proposed modality changes. Rep. Sawyer seconded the motion and the proposed changes in modality reimbursement rates were approved and will be effective January 1, 2016.

SB 123 Update

Chris Mechler and Charlene Peacock provided a brief update on the SB 123 Subcommittee's discussion regarding a limited agreement with Value Options, a managed care provider for state Medicaid, to assist staff with potential appeals when treatment providers request extended inpatient care.

More discussion will continue at the next SB 123 Subcommittee meeting on November 19, 2015.

New Business

Judge Wilson proposed the 2016 KSC Workshop take place earlier in the year and a tentative date of August 30th and 31st was discussed.

Next Meeting

The next Sentencing Commission meeting will be the annual Workshop - November 18-19, 2015 at the Topeka Downtown Ramada Convention Center beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom.

Meeting adjourned 2:38 p.m.