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PRISON BOARD OF INSPECTORS MINUTES

March 25, 2026

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The public meeting of the Chester County Prison Board of Inspectors was called to order at 2:03 PM on Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at the Chester County Prison by Commissioner Marian Moskowitz. Commissioner Josh Maxwell, Commissioner Eric Roe, President Judge Anne Marie Wheatcraft, Controller Nick Cherubino, and Sheriff Kevin Dykes were also present.

CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Moskowitz asked President Judge Wheatcraft to lead the pledge.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Acting Warden Sheller recognized Deputy Warden Roberts for 35 years of service. March's Employee of the Month was CO M. Feliciano.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Moskowitz announced that the Prison Board of Inspectors met in Executive Session on Monday, February 23, 2026, to discuss personnel and legal matters.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

President Judge Wheatcraft made a motion to approve the Prison Board of Inspectors minutes from the meeting on Monday, February 23, 2026. Sheriff Dykes seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried to approve the minutes from Monday, February 23, 2026, Prison Board of Inspectors Meeting.

MINUTES APPROVED

5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

There was no public comment on agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENT

6. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Commissioner Moskowitz made a motion to adopt the agenda. Sheriff Dykes seconded the motion. Motion carried to adopt the Wednesday, March 25, 2026, Prison Board of Inspectors Meeting agenda.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

7. OLD BUSINESS

There were no items of old business.

OLD BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

a. MONTHLY REPORT

Monthly Report

Acting Warden Sheller presented the monthly update on the Prison for February 2026, noting the average daily inmate population was 708, as compared to 631 in the previous year.

Acting Warden Sheller noted that on February 28, 2026, there were 705 inmates held, and no juvenile offenders housed in the Prison.

Central Booking had a year-to-date total of 237 arrestees, of which 125 made bail and 110 were committed, there were 121 arrestees in February, representing 35 different agencies.

The Correctional Center for February 2026 had an average daily population of 51 residents, the average at this time last year was 23.

For Security, there was 1 transport to a State Correctional Institute (SCI) in February, and 10 inmates transported to SCI. 30 inmates were held pending transfer to SCI, and 5 inmates were held for criminal action/return to SCI.

There were 41 medical transports, 14 of which were to the emergency room.

There was 1 Correctional Emergency Unit activation in February for non-compliant behavior.

There were 239 inmate disciplinary actions for major misconduct. There were 14 inmates housed in the Restricted Housing Unit.

There were 157 Video Conferencing Hearings in February with approximate cost savings of \$15,700.

The Acting Warden reported the following medical updates:

Inmates seen at sick call: 532

Inmates on prescription or "over-the-counter" medications: 58%

Inmates on psychotropic medications: 51%

Inmates on suicide watch: 7%

The Acting Warden reported the following mental health updates:

Serious Mentally Ill Inmates: 99

Inmates at Norristown State Hospital (NSH): 19

Inmates awaiting a bed at NSH: 0

Court Orders received in February for commitment to NSH: 4

Additionally, Acting Warden Sheller reported Institutional Programming included Alcoholics Anonymous, Anger Management, Animal Studies, Budgeting Hacks, Flagger Force Training, Crime Victims, Draw the Line, Drug and Alcohol, Narcotics Anonymous, One Page at a Time, Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR), Stable Pathways, Step Forward, and Thinking for a Change with 242 participants.

Monthly Report (cont.)

Acting Warden Sheller reported that in the month of February 2026 a total of \$9,668.14 was collected for inmate booking fees and a total of \$5,591.80 was collected for inmate financial responsibilities.

Lastly, it was reported that the Prison had 10 officers complete the Basic Training Academy in the month of February and 4 officers are scheduled to start on April 20, 2026. As of March 25, 2026, the Prison has had a net decrease of 4 employees since the Prison Board Meeting held on February 23, 2025.

217 officers participated in additional training including Weapons Qualifications, Report Writing, Honor Guard, Command Without Conflict – Strategies for Safer Inmate Management, Mental Health First Aid (Instructor), C.E.R.T. (Restraint Chair – Advanced Defensive Tactics), Defensive Tactics, Street Gang Investigations, Train – The Trainer (De-Escalation), Tactical Canine Casualty Care, Key and Radio Class, PREA, and Interpersonal Communications.

b. PRISON SECURITY IMPROVEMENT UPDATES

Prison Security Improvement Updates

Acting Warden Sheller reported that phase one of the yard enclosures project will begin in April and the roof project is ongoing.

c. HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

Human Resources Matters approved

Controller Cherubino made a motion to approve transfers. Sheriff Dykes seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve transfers.

Sheriff Dykes made a motion to approve ends of employment. Commissioner Moskowitz seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve ends of employment.

d. GRANTS

Grants approved

Commissioner Roe made a motion to approve the grants. Commissioner Moskowitz seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve the grants.

e. VOUCHERS AS SUBMITTED BY CONTROLLER

Sheriff Dykes made a motion to approve the vouchers as submitted by Controller. President Judge Wheatcraft seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve the vouchers as submitted by Controller.

Vouchers approved

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

Guido Gentini, East Fallowfield, expressed concerns regarding power of attorney laws for young adults and the process for filing grievances against Correctional Officers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

10. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Roe made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by President Judge Wheatcraft. Motion carried to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:13 PM.

ADJOURNMENT