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PRISON BOARD OF INSPECTORS MINUTES**July 21, 2026****1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The public meeting of the Chester County Prison Board of Inspectors was called to order at 2:02 PM on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, in the Commissioners' Board Room by Commissioner Marian Moskowitz. Commissioner Eric Roe, President Judge Anne Marie Wheatcraft, District Attorney Chris de Barrena-Sarobe, Controller Nick Cherubino, and Sheriff Kevin Dykes were also present.

CALL TO ORDER**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Moskowitz asked Commissioner Roe to lead the pledge.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE****3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Deputy Warden Roberts recognized Financial Coordinator Bob Pinkos and Captain Ham each for 25 years of service, Maintenance Supervisor D. Feliciano for 15 years of Service, and Counselor C. Williams, Cpl Presswood, and CO Guzdek each for 10 years of service. June's Employee of the Month was CO R. Carter and Supervisor of the Quarter was Sgt Carroll.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Moskowitz announced that the Prison Board of Inspectors met in Executive Session on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, to discuss personnel and legal matters.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

District Attorney de Barrena-Sarobe made a motion to approve the Prison Board of Inspectors minutes from the meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 2026. Sheriff Dykes seconded the motion. All were in favor; motion carried to approve the Prison Board of Inspectors meeting minutes of Wednesday, June 17, 2026.

MINUTES APPROVED**5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA**

Chris Ann Noel expressed concerns about online meeting accessibility and transparency in approving the vouchers as submitted by the controller.

PUBLIC COMMENT**6. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

President Judge Wheatcraft made a motion to adopt the agenda. Sheriff Dykes seconded the motion. Motion carried to adopt the Tuesday, July 21, 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

Deputy Warden Roberts presented the monthly update on the Prison for June 2026, noting the average daily inmate population was 678, as compared to 670 in the previous year.

Deputy Warden Roberts noted that on June 30, 2026, there were 680 inmates held, and no juvenile offenders housed in the Prison.

Central Booking had a year-to-date total of 789 arrestees, of which 411 made bail and 375 were committed. There were 123 arrestees in June, representing 46 different agencies.

The Correctional Center for June 2026 had an average daily population of 50 residents, the average at this time last year was 27.

For Security, there were 2 transports to a State Correctional Institute (SCI) in June, and 12 inmates transported to SCI. 21 inmates were held pending transfer to SCI, and 4 inmates were held for criminal action/return to SCI.

There were 63 medical transports, 16 of which were to the emergency room.

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

There were 123 inmate disciplinary actions for major misconduct. There were 25 inmates housed in the Restricted Housing Unit.

There were 202 Video Conferencing Hearings in June with approximate cost savings of \$20,200.

The Deputy Warden reported the following medical updates:

Inmates seen at sick call: 642

Inmates on prescription or "over-the-counter" medications: 57%

Inmates on psychotropic medications: 53%

Inmates on suicide watch: 6%

The Deputy Warden reported the following mental health updates:

Serious Mentally Ill Inmates: 96

Inmates at Norristown State Hospital (NSH): 19

Inmates awaiting a bed at NSH: 0

Court Orders received in June for commitment to NSH: 2

Additionally, Deputy Warden Roberts reported Institutional Programming included Alcoholics Anonymous, Art Therapy, Community Volunteers in Medicine, Crime Victims, Draw the Line, Drug and Alcohol, GED, Exit, Enter, Employ (E3), Narcotics Anonymous, One Page at a Time, Oral Hygiene, OSHA, PennDOT Flagger Force, Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR), Stable Pathways, Step Forward Program, Stress and Anger Management, The Lending Process, Thinking for a Change, and Youth Mental Health First Aid with 311 participants.

Monthly Report (cont.)

Deputy Warden Roberts reported that in the month of June 2026 a total of \$11,314.40 was collected for inmate booking fees and a total of \$3,831.93 was collected for inmate financial responsibilities.

Lastly, it was reported that the Prison had no officers complete the Basic Training Academy in the month of June, 6 officers started, and 8 officers are scheduled to start on August 10, 2026.

34 officers participated in additional training including Weapons Qualifications (On the Move/Behind Barricades), K-9 Certification, Honor Guard, PREA, Fire Emergency Response Team, FBI – LEEDA (Command), Basic Crime Scene Investigation (Ballistic/Post Blast), and Train the Staff Trainer.

b. PRISON SECURITY IMPROVEMENT UPDATES

Deputy Warden Roberts reported that the concrete footers in R Block's yard are complete and the concrete flooring install will begin as scheduled.

Prison Security Improvement Updates

c. HUMAN RESOURCES MATTERS

President Judge Wheatcraft made a motion to approve hires and rehires. Sheriff Dykes seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve hires and rehires.

Human Resources Matters approved

Commissioner Roe made a motion to approve transfers. District Attorney de Barrena-Sarobe seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve transfers.

District Attorney de Barrena-Sarobe made a motion to approve promotions. Sheriff Dykes seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve promotions.

Sheriff Dykes made a motion to approve ends of employment. Controller Cherubino seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve ends of employment.

District Attorney de Barrena-Sarobe made a motion to approve retirements. Commissioner Roe seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve retirements.

d. VOUCHERS AS SUBMITTED BY CONTROLLER

Sheriff Dykes made a motion to approve the vouchers as submitted by Controller. District Attorney de Barrena-Sarobe seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve the vouchers as submitted by Controller.

Vouchers approved

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

Lorenzo Trout commented on the benefits of treatment and mentoring in the prison system to support recovery.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chris Ann Noel expressed concerns regarding insufficient staff at the prison and data reporting practices.

10. ADJOURNMENT

District Attorney de Barrena-Sarobe made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by President Judge Wheatcraft. Motion carried to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:24 PM.

ADJOURNMENT