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# LYCOMING COUNTY PRISON BOARD MEETING MINUTES | PUBLIC MEETING Friday, September 12, 2025

#### **Voting Members Present:**

Commissioner Marc Sortman Commissioner Scott Metzger Commissioner Mark Mussina President Jude Nancy Butts

#### **Others Present:**

Warden; Ryan Barnes Deputy Warden of Inmate Services; Brian Bluth, Solicitor; Tyler Flood, In-Prison Re-Entry; Brad Shoemaker, Warden; Robert Thompson; Pre-Release Center Manager; Shannon Barnes, Director of Management of Operations; Steven Hartlee; Tony Cooper; and Lynelle Cromley Paralegal DA Office.

# 1.0 Regularly Scheduled Prison Board Meeting Called to Order by Commissioner Scott Metzger.

- 1.1 Meeting convened at 8:32 A.M.
- 1.2 Approval of Minutes: Marc Sortman motioned for approval of September 2025 meeting Minutes. Nancy Butts seconded the motion; the motion carried.
- 1.3 Public Comment (Agenda Items Only) None

## 2.0 Expenditure Report:

**2.1** Approval of Expenditure Report: Marc Sortman motioned for the approval of September 2025 Expenditure Report. Nancy Butts seconded the motion; the motion was carried.

- 3.0 <u>Approval of Personnel Actions:</u> Mark Mussina motioned for the approval of personnel actions as follows.
  - 3.1 Nancy Butts seconded the motion; the motion carried
    - Denise Gee, Work Crew Foreman
    - Tom Tamberelli, Full-Time Resident Supervisor
    - Lara Caffas, Full-Time Resident Supervisor
    - Danielle Losinger, Full-Time Licensed Practical Nurse
    - Marcus Tapper, Part-Time Correctional Officer-Relief
- **4.0** <u>Informational Reports/Highlights:</u> Warden Shoemaker reviewed the August Prison Reports as follows:
  - 4.1 Population:
    - Males in blocks averaged 186.90; males in PRC averaged 37.94; the total average daily population of males equaled 224.84, with a peak of 234.00.
    - Females in blocks averaged 28.94; females in PRC averaged 7.13, the total average daily population of females equaled 36.06, with a peak of 40.00.
    - The combined average daily population of male/female population equaled 260.90,
       with a peak of 271.00.
    - In-Home detention averaged 0.81 males and 2.10 females.
    - With no overcrowding transfer population, the total average daily population was equal to the monthly average daily population of 260.90.
  - 4.2 Prison Disciplinary Hearings conducted and chaired by Deputy Warden of Inmate Services Barnes:
    - Of 49 hearings conducted for 35 inmates, 12 inmates had more than one incident. 45 hearings resulted in guilty lock-ups; 2 hearings resulted in guilty lock-up with time suspended; 2 inmates were found not guilty; and, staff generated 15 informational reports.

#### 4.3 Informational Highlights:

- On August 7, 2025, Deputy Warden Ebner and PRC Manager Thompson met with members of Penn State to discuss an apprenticeship program at PRC.
- On August 13, 2025, Administrative Specialist Tammy Toner and Warden Shoemaker met with auditors from Baker Tilly Advisory Group to discuss processes and financial operations at the Prison and PRC.
- August 25, 2025, Deputy Warden Barnes and Warden Shoemaker conducted a tour of the prison for a Penn College Human Services and Restorative Justice Class.

#### 4.4 Pre-Release Reports:

- Work Release males equaled 9 and females equaled 2.
- Work crew males equaled 29 and work crew females equaled 6.
- The monthly average for males at the Pre-Release Center equaled 38 and females equaled 8. The year-to-date average equaled 34 males and 8 females.
- Program Highlights:
   All staff participated in Taser Training on August 22, 2025 led by RSII Lane
   Gibson

#### 4.5 Mental Health Snapshot taken on August 10, 2025:

- Of 294 total inmates in the prison system, 252 males and 42 females were categorized as follows.
- 112 males and 8 females made up Roster A, those who had no mental health history, which equated to 40.82% of the population.
- 61 males and 15 females made up Roster B, those who had past mental health history but no active symptoms in the last year, which equated to 25.85 of the population.
- 72 males and 17 females made up Roster C, those who had current mental health issues, which equated to 30.27% of the population.
- 7 males and 2 females made up Roster D, those who were determined to have serious mental illness, which equated to 3.06% of the population.

- Psychotropic Medication at PRC: Of 30 male Work Crew inmates, 7 were on psychotropic medications. Of 10 male Work Release inmates, 3 were on psychotropic medications. Total medicated males at PRC equaled 30.00%.
- Of 13 female Work Crew inmates, 5 were on psychotropic medications. Of 1 female Work Release, 1 was on psychotropic medications. Total medicated females at PRC equaled 42.86%.
- Psychotropic Medication at LCP: Of 186 males overall, 72 (38.71%) were on psychotropic medications. Of 25 females overall, 18 (72.00%) were on psychotropic medications.
- <u>Total Medicated Inmates within the Prison System:</u> Overall, PRC averaged 29.63% medicated inmates. LCP averaged 42.657% medicated inmates. The total average percentage equaled 40.00% medicated inmates in the prison system.
- 4.6 Tyler Flood from Re-Entry, discussed the APO Reentry Program report prepared by Deputy Chief John Stahl. The total program population of 114 participants, as of September 1, 2025, are categorized as follows.
  - Male clients equaled 77 and female clients equaled 37.
  - Phase two clients equaled 38, phase three clients equaled 43.
  - Total Successfully discharged clients: 789.
  - Total processed intakes, including those who returned to the program, equaled
     2,249 participants. Overall individual intakes without return to program is 1,462.
  - GPS/Alcohol monitoring serviced a total population of 34 clients categorized as follows: 7 clients with Alcohol Monitoring (TAD); 10 clients with GPS monitoring; 7 clients with Home Guard; 1 client with SL3 Breathalyzers; and 8 clients with Veri Watch.
  - Total clients electronically serviced to date equaled 2,258.
  - 134,216 total days have been served on electronic monitoring services.

- 4.7 Tyler Flood discussed the In-Prison Reentry Program, which had 47 current active participants and 0 pending intake as of August 31, 2025. Since January 2025, the following statistics are recorded as follows:
  - 82 intakes have been completed, 47 ORAS Assessment has been completed, 82 Transitional Action Plans (TAP) for participants were created for participants, and 270 sessions were completed.
  - 68 total participants were released from incarceration and programming. Of those participants, 24 referrals/appointments were made and 345 other resources were given. Other resources comprise educational pamphlets or similar developmental information.
  - 101 total referrals were made to the program, of which 94 were referred by LCP and 7 were from PRC. Of all referrals, 20 refused to participate, 2 were released from incarceration before being seen by the coordinator, and 0 did not meet criteria.
  - 18 total referrals were made to the program in August.
  - Total referrals categorized by the type of sentence are as follows: 6 from probation violations; 8 from max out cases; 63 from new cases; 19 from domestic matters; 5 from contempt matters; and 0 from treatment court and pretrial matters.
  - Statistics for Re-Entry Services reported 106 average participants per day; 14 total intakes; 25 total discharges; 8 successful completions; and Electronic Monitoring averaged 118 total participants as follows: 26 adult, 67 Pre-Trial, 17 juvenile participants and 8 VeriWatch.

#### 5.0 Old Business:

5.1 Discussion regarding the need to get maximum use of PRC building for areas that are not occupied.

#### **6.0 Executive Session:**

6.1 Session was held on a personnel matter from 9:00 a.m. to 9:14 a.m.

### 7.0 New Business:

- **7.1** Marc Sortman made a motion to terminate the employment of Mindy Sutton seconded by Nancy Butts; motion carried.
- 7.2 Nancy Butts made a motion to terminate employment for Adam Ganim seconded by Marc Sortman; motion carried.
- 8.0 Board Comment: None
- 9.0 Public Comment: Tony Cooper discussed mail that he had sent.
- 10.0 <u>Upcoming Prison Board Meeting Time/Locations</u>: All Executive Plaza meetings will be held in the Commissioners' Board Room in Executive Plaza (CB).
  - 11/14/25: 8:30 a.m. @ Third Street Plaza (CB)
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  - 12/12/25: 8:30 a.m. @ Prison
- **10.0** <u>Adjournment of Prison Board Meeting</u>: With agenda items completed, the meeting closed at 9:22 a.m. by Commissioner Scott Metzger.

District Attorney, Thomas A. Marino

Prison Board Secretary