

MINUTES

DEKALB COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD

Monday, February 6, 2023 @ 8:00 A.M.

CONVENED: 8:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL:

Member Present:

In Person: Kent Likes, Kevin Likes, Mark Olivero

Telephonically: Ron Dicke

By Video:

Members Absent: Joe Dunn

Public in Attendance:

AGENDA:

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ron made a motion to approve minutes of November 7, 2022 Kent seconded. Motion passed.

- Mark noted that we are adjusting the 3rd Quarter Reimbursement that is noted in the meeting minutes from \$89,301.71 to \$90,130.95. This number was adjusted by the State after submission.

II. QUARTERLY UPDATE

a. Review Reimbursement Report

Mark reviewed the 4th Quarter 2022 Request for Reimbursement and noted that there is nothing out of the ordinary on this request. Amount of request is \$86,693.49

b. Review Title IV-E Fund

Mark reviewed reimbursements and noted that there is a delay in receiving the check. We have not yet received reimbursement from the 3rd Quarter of 2022. Reimbursements to date are \$2,853.83

c. Review Annual Report

Mark reviewed the 2022 Annual Report. Ron made a motion to approve, Kent seconded.

III. OTHER MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER

a. Stipend for Public Defender Board

Brief discussion on a stipend for the Board. Waiting on guidelines from the county on this and will revisit this matter at the next meeting.

b. Sign Comprehensive Plan

Mark noted that we have been reviewing and tweaking the plan for the last few months and we are finally ready to sign and submit the updated plan. We have updated the language to include the Felony level 1-6. Noted that everything in the plan is pretty much followed, however the Judges do have discretion when appointing Counsel.

Motion to approve was made by Ron and Seconded by Kent.

Kent signed the plan and Ron and Joe will come into the office when available to sign.

c. Update on Retirement Fund for Chief and Deputy Chief

Mark stated that the State is looking to merge Full-Time Chief Pds and Chief Deputies into Current prosecuting Attorney Retirement Fund.

Ron stated that the salaries are based off the Prosecutor so the retirement fund should be too.

d. Update on Misdemeanor Reimbursement

Mark stated that the State used to reimburse for misdemeanors but that ended in 1997.

Currently the Governor had proposed a budget that will allow the Commission to add Misdemeanors back into the reimbursement program.

IV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

No additional comments

NEXT MEETING: Monday, May 1, 2023 at 8:00 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 8:19

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Bradford