Kansas State Board of Indigents' Defense Services Board Meeting Agenda

Friday, September 8th, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.,
Held in person in the Florentine Room, Jayhawk Tower Lobby
And via Zoom for remote participants.
700 SW Jackson Street,
Topeka, Kansas 66603
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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Attendance
- III. Approval of August 11, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes (VOTE)
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Update on the opening of the 7th Judicial District Public Defender Office
 - B. Update on the publication of the BIDS Well-Being Survey
- VI. New Business
 - A. FY 2024/ FY 2025 BIDS Budget Approval (VOTE)
 - a. FY 2024
 - i. General Review of Current Fiscal Year
 - ii. FY 2024 Supplemental Request: Pay Plan Shortage
 - b. FY 2025
 - i. General Review of FY 2025 Budget
 - ii. FY 2025 Enhancement Requests:
 - 1. Recruitment and Retention Adjustment (2 alternatives)
 - a. Option 1: Next Step Adjustment (with Merit pay)
 - b. Option 2: Pay Parity with Prosecutors
 - 28% adjustment Attorneys/ 15% adjustment for non-attorney staff

- ii. OR 28% adjustment Attorneys/ 10% adjustment for non-attorney staff
- 2. Staffing Request FY 2025
 - a. 25 FTE
 - b. Brief aside RE: 2023 Caseload Standards impact
- 3. Infrastructure
 - a. Leasing needs
 - b. Training budget
- 4. \$140/ hr Assigned Counsel Rate
- 5. LSP Salary Enhancement (pass through)
- c. Draft letter to Governor about pay/staffing request
- B. Discussion about the Future of LSP
- VII. Comments from the Floor
- IX. Next Board Meeting December 8, 2023 at 1:30 PM.
- X. Adjournment (VOTE)

State Board of Indigents' Defense Services MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

Administration Office Jayhawk Towers, 700 SW Jackson, Suite 500 Topeka, KS 66603 September 8, 2023

Chair Braden Perry called the Board Meeting of the State Board of Indigents' Defense Services to order at 1:30 p.m. Erica Andrade, Michael Birzer, and Maurice Brewer were present. Michelle Ewert, Pat Hudgins, Laurel Michel Driskell, and Nicki Rose were present by Zoom. Others present were Heather Cessna, Executive Director; Kim Mason, Assistant Director; Brandon Barrett, Chief Legal Counsel; Ann Sagan, Special Projects Director; Jared Harsin, Human Resource Director; Emily Leiker, Assigned Counsel Coordinator; Meryl Carver-Allmond, Training Director; and Beth Child, Human Resource Professional.

Michelle Ewert made a motion to approve the August 11, 2023 Board Meeting minutes. Michael Birzer seconded the motion. The motion passed at 1:31 p.m.

Erica Andrade made a motion to approve the FY 2024/2025 BIDS Budget request. Michael Birzer seconded the motion. The motion passed at 3:02 p.m.

Braden Perry made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Michael Birzer seconded the motion. The motion passed at 3:20 p.m.