



BLAIR COUNTY PRISON BOARD

c/o Blair County Controller, 423 Allegheny St., Ste 141, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

Blair County Prison Board Meeting of May 8, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. In the Commissioner's Public Meeting Room

Board Members in Attendance:

Commissioner David Kessler, Controller A.C. Stickel, President Judge Wade Kagarise, Sheriff James Ott

Board Members not in Attendance:

Commissioner Laura Burke, Commissioner Amy Webster, District Attorney Peter Weeks

Quorum: Present

Media in Attendance: Kay Stephens - Altoona Mirror, Carol Dannenberg – Hollidaysburg Community Watchdog.

Non-Board Members in Attendance:

Warden Abbie Tate, Deputy Warden Shaun Edmundson, Deputy Warden Cory Yedlosky, Kyle Brashear, Melena Koegler, Alicia Tiracave, Angela Wagner

Primecare Representatives in Attendance:
NONE

AFSCME Representatives in Attendance:
NONE

Prison Society Members in Attendance:
NONE

Call to Order: Commissioner Kessler called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection: Led by Commissioner Kessler

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Led by Commissioner Kessler

The roll was called by Commissioner Kessler.

Call for Public Comment on Prison Board Items: Kay Stephens – Noted that in May, June and July of 2024 we saw some of the highest numbers of inmates at the Prison. Now in May of 2025 it's lowest it has been that she can recall. Has there been any changes to account for this difference?

Approval of Minutes from April 10, 2025 Meeting: A motion was made by Commissioner Kessler and seconded by Sheriff Ott to approve the minutes from the April 10, 2025 Prison Board Meetings. The motion was unanimously carried.

Recognition of BCP Employee: This week is corrections employees' week and Warden Tate would like to thank all her staff and give her appreciation for the donations provided as well. It is also nurses week. Working on providing nice lunches and treats for all employees. The Warden would also like to thank the members of the board she's reached out to for help it its continued support.

Inmate Population Report: Warden Tate provided an updated Inmate Population Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

Inmate Services Report: Deputy Warden Edmundson provided an updated Inmate Population Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

Warden's Report: Warden Tate provided the Warden's Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

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Staffing Update: Warden Tate provided a Staffing Report which will be kept on file with the minutes.

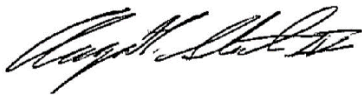
Financial Report: Controller Stickel presented the financial report to be kept on file with the minutes. Controller Stickel reiterated that it costs about \$110 a day for an inmate

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Kessler made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Controller Stickel. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:48a.m.

An executive session of Prison Board was held after the meeting concluded on Personal and Building Security.

The next monthly meeting will be held Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. at the Blair County Prison.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "August C. Stickel IV". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the last name "Stickel" being more prominent.

August C. Stickel IV
Chairperson