COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA BOARD OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL JAILS JAIL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Approved: 12/20/2023

Regular Meeting.....November 15, 2023; 9:30 a.m. Presiding......Roland Sherrod, Committee Chairman Present......The Honorable Vernie Francis, Chairman, Board of Local and Regional Jails The Honorable Charles Jett, Vice Chairman, Board of Local and Regional Jails Dr. Cleopatra Booker, Board of Local and Regional Jails Tiffany Jenkins, Board of Local and Regional Jails Michael Carrera, Board of Local and Regional Jails Dr. Anita Maybach, Board of Local and Regional Jails Dr. Amanda Trent, Board of Local and Regional Jails Charles Carey, Board of Local and Regional Jails David Hackworth, Board of Local and Regional Jails Geoff Garner, Executive Director, Board of Local and Regional Jails Ashley Gordon, Executive Secretary, Board of Local and Regional Jails Mary-Huffard Kegley, Policy Analyst, Board of Local and Regional Jails Alison Lautz, Jail Death Investigator, Board of Local and Regional Jails John Rock, Jail Death Investigator, Board of Local and Regional Jails Tawana Ferguson, Regulatory Compliance Supervisor, Board of Local and Regional Jails Ayesha Osborne, Board Counsel, Office of the Attorney General

Upon determination of a quorum, Mr. Sherrod called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

The October 18, 2023, minutes were brought before the Committee for approval.

Upon a *Motion* by Vice Chairman Jett with a second by Mr. Carrera, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the October 18, 2023, Jail Review Committee meeting minutes.

Public Comment

None

Presentation

None

Motion to include non-Board members in closed session

The following was offered by Mr. Carrera as a motion:

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3712(F) I *MOVE* that the presence of the following individuals will reasonably aid this board in considering the subject of the closed session:

Names of the individuals to be included:

Geoff Garner Alison Lautz John Rock Tawana Ferguson Ashley Gordon Mary-Huffard Kegley Ayesha Osborne

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Carrera and a second by Vice Chairman Jett, the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendations.

Closed Session

Mr. Carrera offered the following in the form of a motion:

I MOVE that the Jail Review Committee begin CLOSED session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(16) to discuss or consider medical and mental health records; and pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(8) to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel.

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Carrera and a second by Chairman Francis the attending members voted unanimously to *Approve* the above recommendation.

Reconvene Open Session

Upon the members' return to open session, Mr. Carrera offered the following in the form of a motion:

I MOVE that the Jail Review Committee reconvene our open session having concluded a closed session to discuss or consider medical and mental health records and to consult with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. I MOVE that this committee and its individual members certify that during the closed session, the Jail Review Committee limited its discussion to matters lawfully exempt from the public meeting requirements and identified in the closed session motion. If a member cannot so certify, I ask that they state the reason specifically on the record and that the recorder take roll.

All members in attendance certified by Roll Call.

Actions

Mr. Carrera as a motion offered the following:

The Jail Review Committee investigated the following cases by reviewing institutional, medical, and mental health records and other relevant evidence of the circumstances surrounding each death. The Jail Review Committee further finds that investigation did not reveal any evidence indicating that the facility was out of compliance with the regulations promulgated by the Board. NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE that the following cases be recommended to the Full Board for closure:

Cases	
23-0030	23-0031
22-0064	23-0007
23-0020	22-0055

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Carrera and a second by Vice Chairman Jett, the attending members voted unanimously to A*pprove* the above recommendation.

Mr. Carrera as a motion offered the following:

The Jail Review Committee investigated the following cases by reviewing institutional, medical, and mental health records and other relevant evidence of the circumstances surrounding each death. The Jail Review Committee finds that the investigation did reveal evidence indicating that the facility was out of compliance with the regulations promulgated by the Board. However, the Jail Review Committee finds that the corrective actions taken by the jail appropriately addresses the substance of the violation such that no further measures are necessary. NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE that the following cases be recommended to the Full Board for closure:

Cases	
23-0004	23-0011
23-0018	

Upon a *Motion* by Mr. Carrera and a second by Dr. Maybach, the attending members voted unanimously to A*pprove* the above recommendation.

Recommendations for Changes to Board Standards

None

General Discussion

None

There being nothing further and upon motion of Mr. Sherrod, the meeting was Adjourned.