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COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 6, 2019 CENTRALIZED HIRING CONFERENCE ROOM 6774-C REISTERSTOWN ROAD BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215

STATE OF MARYLAND

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DAVID R. BLUMBERG
CHAIRMAN

MINUTES OPEN SESSION

Attendees: Chairman Blumberg; Commissioners Begosh, Cluster, DeBoy, Greene, Hill, Keckler, and Smack; Program Managers Christine Burke and Ruth Ogle; Assistant Attorney General Susan Baron

Absent: Commissioners Miller and Reynolds

Chairman Blumberg convened the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

- The minutes from the January 23, 2019 open session were reviewed and approved with a correction.
- Questions have been received from the legislative analyst for the upcoming budget hearings in Annapolis.
- The following legislation has been proposed: to make changes to the Justice Reinvestment Act (JRA) that would place a cap on maximum sentences for non-violent offenders; to increase parole eligibility on life sentences from 15 to 20 years; to allow the Commission to parole inmates serving a life sentence after serving 30 years without the Governor's approval.
- Ethics forms must be filed electronically by April 30, 2019.
- A tour of Marian House has been arranged during the Association of Paroling Authorities International (APAI) annual training conference scheduled for March 31-April 3, 2019.
- Time served is a term of confinement; credits will be rescinded if revoked.
- Program Manager Christine Burke and Administrative Officer Linda Dodge attended a JRA Task Force meeting on January 25, 2019 and gave a brief presentation on geriatric parole.
- At 10:15 a.m. under General Provisions Art. § 3-305 Chairman Blumberg made a motion to end the open session and go into a closed session to discuss personnel matters, review cases en-banc and to consult with legal counsel. A vote was taken and all commissioners were in favor. The meeting will reconvene in the Parole Commission's conference room.

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