



# Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services

## Maryland Parole Commission

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## COMMISSION MEETING MAY 2, 2018 CENTRALIZED HIRING CONFERENCE ROOM 6774-C REISTERSTOWN ROAD BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215

### MINUTES OPEN SESSION

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

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

- The minutes from the April 18, 2018 open session were reviewed and approved as submitted.
- Chairman Blumberg has been asked to be on the interview panel for Division of Parole and Probation (DPP) Deputy Director. The interviews are scheduled for May 16-17, 2018.
- Several inmates were not transferred to Patuxent Institution for revocation hearings. The Division of Correction (DOC) was notified and is working on rectifying this issue.
- Chairman Blumberg and Program Manager Christine Burke have a meeting scheduled with DPP administrators to discuss issues with agents.
- Chairman Blumberg and Commissioner Greene attended the Association of Paroling Authorities International (APAI) annual conference. Chairman Blumberg was elected as president of the organization. Former Commissioner Jasper Clay was named to the alumni board. A new risk assessment instrument, HCR20, currently being used in California since 2014 was a topic of interest. It uses dynamic factors in assessing risk and was created in 2013. It is considered to be evidence based guidelines instrument rather than an actuarial one. It is the most widely used risk assessment instrument in the world. It is admissible in courts in many jurisdictions.
- A settlement conference for the juvenile lifer lawsuit is scheduled for May 11, 2018.

- Short term holds in local detention centers should be explained to the case management and commitment staff.
- Chairman Blumberg, Program Manager Christine Burke and Assistant Attorney General Susan Baron participated in training at the Montgomery County State's Attorney's Office.
- The Commission does not have to issue warrants for offenders that are not in custody.
- Commissioners may find good cause to postpone a revocation hearing if the offender has serious pending charges.
- At 10:51 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, consult with legal counsel and review cases en-banc. A vote was taken and all commissioners were in favor. The meeting will reconvene in the Parole Commission's conference room.