

**Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Collateral Consequences of  
Criminal Conviction**

Thursday, October 4th, 2018

2:00 PM

IMRP Conference Room, Downtown Campus

Central Connecticut State University

New Britain, CT

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** *Robert Devlin, John Santa, Brian Austin, Leland Moore, Larry Dorsi, Karl Lewis, Michael Hines, , Deborah Sullivan, Sarah Russell, RJ Anderson, Peter Cunniff, and Hakima Bey-Coon*

**Staff:** *Alex Tsarkov (Executive Director), Andrew Clark, Mary Janicki, Renee LaMark Muir, Melissa Perez*

**Others:** *Josh Perry, Shannon Wegele*

I. MEETING CONVENED

The meeting convened at 2:10 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

The minutes from August 30<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed and approved unanimously.

III. VOTING

Mary Janicki presented on the logistical challenges of eligible inmates voting through absentee ballots. Members discussed and approved unanimously a proposal for a study of the Commissioner of Correction, the Secretary of State and the Sentencing Commission to study these topics and present any recommendations to the legislative committees of cognizance.

IV. ERASURE OF CRIMINAL RECORDS

Members discussed the possibility of automatic erasure in five areas:

- a. Automatic erasure of certain records of people who were convicted as adults but who otherwise would have been convicted as juveniles if Raise the Age legislation had been in effect
- b. Automatic erasure of juvenile records
- c. Automatic erasure of certain marijuana convictions
- d. Automatic erasure of criminal records of certain misdemeanors convictions

V. Proposal from the Office of the Victim Advocate

Members discussed and approved unanimously a proposal from the State Victim Advocate to amend the Accelerated Rehabilitation Statute.

VI. LICENSES

Members discussed the upcoming study that would focus on any collateral consequences of criminal conviction on the ability to obtain various state licenses. COST OF INMATES' COMMUNICATION AND COMMISSARY

Sarah Russell and her students from the Quinnipiac University School of Law presented on the state contract and cost of inmates' phone call. Alex Tsarkov presented on the cost of placing funds in a commissary account by third parties under the state contract.

VII. CERTIFICATES OF EMPLOYABILITY

Staff is working on finalizing the recommendations and will present them at the next meeting.  
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VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.