

Steering Committee Meeting
Thursday, December 10th, 2020
2:00 PM
Webex

MINUTES

Members Present: *Robert Devlin (chair), John Santa (vice-chair), Judge Carroll, Robert Farr, Christine Rapillo, Richard Colangelo, Robert Farr and Sarah Russell.*

Staff: *Alex Tsarkov (Executive Director), Andrew Clark, Mary Janicki, Larry Shapiro, Van Augur.*

Others: *Melanie Dykas and Deborah Sullivan.*

I. MEETING CONVENED

The meeting was convened at 2:05pm.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE 11.20.2020 MEETING

The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. DIVERSIONARY PROGRAMS REPORT

Members discussed the draft of the diversionary programs report and agreed to forward it to the full Sentencing Commission for consideration.

IV. VOTING PROPOSAL

Members discussed the proposal that would restore voting rights to incarcerated individuals and those on parole. Some members discussed the possibility of a carveout from eligibility for those sentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole.

V. SENTENCE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL

Judge Devlin described the proposal on sentence modification. Members agreed to forward it to the full Sentencing Commission for consideration.

VI. DRUG FREE ZONES PROPOSAL

Judge Devlin described the proposal to decrease the drug-free zones from 1,500 to 200 feet.

VII. 2021 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Members discussed the 2021 legislative agenda that would include the proposals supported by the Commission during the 2020 legislative session, as well as any new proposals adopted by the Sentencing Commission.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm.