



Minnehaha County Public Defender

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, June 9th, 2020

TIME: 7:30 AM

LOCATION: PDO Conference Room

Call to Order

- **Public Defender Advisory Board Meeting**
- **Meeting to Discuss**
 - Agenda
- **Attendee Names**
 - Traci Smith, Betsy Doyle, Cindy Heiberger, Dean Karsky, Ryan White, John Hinrichs, Sid Strange, Katie Dunn and Tessica Severson
- **Members Not Present**
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Call the Meeting to Order:

Commissioner Karsky called the meeting to order. Traci Smith handed out the Agenda for today's meeting, an updated report of the Public Defender's Office financials and a copy of the Advisory Board Meeting minutes from the meeting held on 3/10/2020.

(1) Minutes were approved from the 3/10/2020 meeting.

(2) Commissioner Karsky moved to the second item on the agenda which was the Financial Report. Traci gave an overview of where the department is at this time. No Action is required.

(3) Commissioner Karsky went on to item number three on the agenda which was a review of the Public Defender proposed 2021 Annual Report. Traci Smith gave an overview of the proposed budget. No Action required. Commissioner Karsky explained this proposal has been submitted to the commission, and budget hearings are beginning Monday.

(4) Commissioner Karsky moved on to item four on the agenda which is Staffing and Supervision. Betsy Doyle gave an overview on how fast-tracking cases were going. Commissioner Heiberger discussed specialties courts and funding.

(5) Opportunity for Public Comment: There were no requests for public comment.



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New Business:

Commissioner Karsky inquired if the Public Defenders office had a five (5) year staffing plan. Traci Smith explained that is in her long-range plan. Discussion was had on how much room was left at the Public Defenders office for additional staff.

Next Meeting should be scheduled in October, 2020.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:28 am.