



Minnehaha County Public Defender

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023
TIME: 8:00 AM
LOCATION: Human Resources

Call to Order

- **Public Defender Advisory Board Meeting**
- **Meeting to Discuss**
 - Agenda
- **Attendee Names**
 - Traci Smith, Betsy Doyle, Dean Karsky, Ryan White, Joseph Kippley, and Tessica Severson
- **Members Not Present**
 - Sid Strange and John Hinrichs

Call the Meeting to Order:

Commissioner Kippley 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 02/28/2023.

- (1) Minutes were approved from the 02/28/2023 meeting.
- (2) Commissioner Kippley moved to Item number 2 on the Agenda, Review Public Defender Financial Report. Traci Smith gave an overview, no action required.
- (3) Commissioner Kippley moved on to item three on the agenda which was a review and approval of the Public Defender's Office annual report. Traci Smith gave an overview of the annual report, and annual report was approved.
- (4) Commissioner Kippley moved on to item number four on the Agenda, discussion of the 2024 Public Defenders Office Budget. Traci Smith gave an overview of the needs of our office in order to work more effectively. Traci Smith spoke about the need for social worker and investigator positions.
- (5) Opportunity for Public Comment: There were no requests for public comment



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New Business:

Commissioner Karsky inquired about the possibility of needing to appoint a new member to the Board to replace Sid Strange. Traci Smith will reach out to find out if he is able to continue on board.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:48 am.