

# APPALACHIAN JUVENILE COMMISSION

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The Regular Meeting of the Appalachian Juvenile Commission was held on Friday, April 18, 2008, at 12:00 Noon, at Mosby's in Norton, Virginia.

Commission members present included Wayne McClelland, Chairman – Scott County; Mike Carter and Michael Roberts – Smyth County; Alice Meade – Russell County; Dawn Gilbert – Wise County; C. M. Callahan – Lee County; Lanny Large – Dickenson County; Donna Hutchinson – Norton; and Patricia Green – Tazewell County.

Commission members absent were Doug Meade – Washington County; Harold Leonard and Eric Clark – Bristol; and James Horn – Buchanan County.

Staff present included Tim Dotson, Executive Director; John Ross, Director of Highlands Branch; Danny Johnson, Finance Director; and Diane Wright, Director of Southwest Branch; Faye Johnson and Mary Cross.

Mr. McClelland called the meeting to order.

## Approval of Minutes

Alice Meade moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 11, 2008, be approved as submitted. Donna Hutchinson seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

## Financial Report

Danny Johnson presented the Financial Report as of March 31, 2008. (Attached). After a brief explanation, Lanny Large moved that the Financial Report be approved as presented. Mike Roberts seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

## General Report – Southwest Branch

Diane Wright presented a brief report on the number of youth at the Group Home and Outreach.

## General Report – Highlands Branch

John Ross reported that there were presently twenty-one youth in detention. The population has continued to stay below thirty. The Center is presently in the process of Starting the Post-Dispositional Program again and hope it is up and running by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

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*Bristol, Buchanan, Dickenson, Lee, Norton, Russell, Scott, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, Wise*

John Ross reported on three recent incidents that have occurred at the Center. The incidents included a destruction of Center property, an attempted hanging, and an allegation by a youth against a staff member which was investigated and unfounded. .

Budget

Tim Dotson presented a brief summary of State budget cuts for FY2008-2009.

Reorganization of Commission

Tim Dotson explained that at this point, a reorganization of the Commission is recommended with only one member representing each locality and each locality have a proxy.

Alice Meade moved that the Commission have one vote per locality. Dawn Gilbert seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

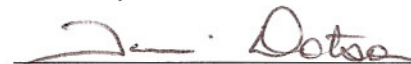
Departing Commission Members


Tim Dotson reported that Eric Clark's term on the Commission would have ended this meeting.

Mike Carter will be leaving the Commission. He helped at a time when help was needed. He willingly served on committees and was an asset to the Commission. His help has been greatly appreciated.

The next regular meeting of the Commission is scheduled for the third Friday in July.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:30 P M.

  
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Tim Dotson, Executive Director

  
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Wayne McClelland, Chairman