CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION

Special Committee on Sex Offenders
Subcommittee on Sex Assessment and Management Meeting
Friday, February 19, 2016
9:00 AM
Court Support Services Division
936 Silas Deane Highway, 4th Floor
Wethersfield, CT

Members Present: David Rentler (chair), Gary Roberge (chair), Eric Ellison, Robert Santoemma, Sgt. Matthew Garcia, Tracy Miller, Katie Heffernan Farrell, Atty. Natasha Pierre, Vivien Blackford and Marie Shamer.

Staff: Alex Tsarkov

MINUTES

I. MEETING CONVENED

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:40 a.m.

II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman David Rentler and Chairman Gary Roberge welcomed everyone to the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 11.6.15

The minutes from the meeting on December 14th 2015 were reviewed and approved.

IV. PRESENTATION ON THE CONNECTICUT SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

The Department of Correction staff presented on the DOC's model of sex offender treatment.

V. ACTION PLAN

David Rentler went over the proposed action plan. The plan focused on the risk assessment and management of sexual offenders, the effectiveness of a tiered

classification system based on the risk of re-offense, and the housing opportunities and obstacles for sex offender registrants.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Members of CT Fair Justice expressed concerns with the offense-based sex offender registry in Connecticut, and direct and collateral consequences of the registry. Members of the group urged the subcommittee to move to a risk-based registry system.

VII. MEETING ADJOURNED

David Rentler adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:05 p.m.