

# CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION

## Special Committee on Sex Offenders

### Meeting

Thursday, January 7, 2016

2:00 PM

Legislative Office Building, Room 1B

300 Capitol Avenue

Hartford, CT

**Members Present:** Atty. Brian Austin, Vivien K. Blackford, Linda J. Cimino, Laura Cordes, Atty. Robert Farr (co-chair), Stephen Grant (co-chair), Frank Mirto (on behalf of Karen Martucci), Mark Palmer, David Rentler, Sarah Fox (on behalf of Lisa Tepper Bates), Atty. Thomas Ullmann, and Atty. Antoinette Webster.

**Staff:** Andrew Clark and Atty. Leland J. Moore.

**Also Participating:** David Zemke and Renee La Mark Muir.

### MINUTES

#### I. MEETING CONVENED

The meeting was called to order at approximately 2:10 p.m.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 12.9.15

The minutes from the meeting on December 9<sup>th</sup> 2015 were reviewed and approved as amended.

#### III. INTERIM REPORT

The committee reviewed and commented upon the draft interim report. Committee members proposed minor amendments to the report and agreed to adopt the report as amended. The report will be distributed to the Committee with the amendments and transmitted to the Sentencing Commission for final approval.

#### IV. PRESENTATION ON SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT

David Zemke—Program Director of the Center for the Treatment of Problem Sexual Behavior—provided an overview of the treatment programs offered by the Connection's Center for the Treatment of Problem Sexual Behavior.

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## **V. UPDATE ON THE OPM SEX OFFENDER RECIDIVISM STUDY**

Renee La Mark Muir informed the committee that Ivan Kuzyk has agree to update his 2012 study on sex offender recidivism. Sentencing Commission research staff will build upon his updated data to conduct an in-depth examination on the state of sex offender, assessment, management, sentencing, and recidivism in Connecticut. Ms. La Mark Muir informed the committee that the research will begin as soon as the committee finalizes the study scope.

## **VI. DISCUSSION: PROGRESS, PRIORITIES, AND SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES**

Consideration of this item was postponed until the next committee meeting.

## **VII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Consideration of this item was postponed until the next committee meeting

## **VIII. OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business was addressed.

## **IX. MEETING ADJOURNED**

Mr. Grant adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:16 p.m.

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