

**WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION FOR THE TREATMENT AND
PREVENTION OF SEXUAL ABUSE
BOARD MEETING: GO TO MEETING PLATFORM
11.17.2023
9:00 A.M.- 10:00 A.M.**

Attendees

M. O'Connell; D. Winter; P. Hannon; M. Reese; L. Trifiletti; B. Borg; D. Knoepfler; J. Pelander; R. Newton

Absent

J. Johnson-Riley; H. Coryell; A. Radosteva

Agenda

Agency Updates (DOC, SCC, DCYF)
Eastern WA
DOH Advisory Committee
Treasury
Membership
Program Committee
SOPB/ legislative updates

- We received positive feedback from the retreat overall. The biggest complaint was how crowded the space was.
- We will be calling for nominations for open board positions including President Elect, Secretary, and 4 general board positions. Election to follow.
- We discussed options to verify people are paying attention in online trainings to add fidelity to our CEUs. The board decided attendance is sufficient and no new procedures will be implemented.
- This is L. Trifiletti's last board meeting as President.

DOH Advisory Committee: No new updates.

DOC Update (B. Borg): DOC is offering an abbreviated Static-99R and STABLE 2007 training to CCOs.

SCC Update (M. Reese): There has been a substantial amount of turnover. The Chief of Residential and Security Operations position is open. The SCC is also offering abbreviated risk assessment training for staff. A new evaluator was hired.

DCYF Update (J. Pelander): HB 1394 implementation includes going through databases to reclassify juveniles who have committed sexual offenses. Under this bill any juvenile who has committed a sex offense is eligible for treatment, rather than just certain types of offenses. SSODA cases will not be required to register unless they are revoked; in which case they may be required to register.

Program Committee: We are beginning planning for a 2025 Pacific NW conference, in partnership with Oregon. The program committee is meeting monthly and we are close to signing a contract for a date/ location. More information to come.

We are hoping to put on a free in-person training in eastern Washington on 5/10 with Megan Reese talking about working with transgender clients.

We discussed a three-day retreat at Seabeck 3/15-17. We would have 30 spots available and a \$7500 liability.

[Eastern Washington Update \(P. Hannon\)](#): None at this time.

[Membership Update \(M. Reese\)](#): None at this time

Meetings

December: no meeting

January: Psychopathy with Richard Packard

February: Polyvagal Approaches with Meghan Fagundes

February: Treating Deniers with Pasha Grant and Brent Borg

March:

April: Joint meeting with DOC facilitated by Dominic Winter- topic TBD

Business Items

Sex Offender Policy Board – No updates at this time.

Treasurer Report –WATSA has two bank accounts and we are in the process of closing our old account at the advice of Key Bank (due to it's age). The old account is still linked to Affinipay which manages money through the website. We are in the process of switching Affinipay to our new account and then the old account will be closed. In our new account, we have a balance of \$32, 411.07

\$1880.04 - checking

\$10, 177.01 - CD maturing on 1-2-24

\$10, 177.01 - CD maturing on 4-2-24

\$10, 177.01 - CD maturing on 7-2-24

One thing we should consider is whether we want to re-invest the money in another CD once it matures. I think this is a decision that can wait until the new year since the first CD doesn't expire until 1-2-24.

Legislative Updates – There are two initiatives to be aware of. The Defense Attorney Association will be working toward expanding the underlying credential for incoming SOTPs. Representative Roger Goodman will sponsor a bill to eliminate lifetime supervision, particularly for SSOSA cases. There is a proposed step-down for ISRB cases and the possibility of an ISRB override.

Agenda items for future meetings

1. Update chapter bylaws and training for new board members
2. Resource list on website for families of youth with sexual behavior problems
3. RSO study provided by Brad Meryhew
4. WATSA could benefit from an IT person. Would WATSA be comfortable spending on this position?