



Minnehaha County Public Defender

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, May 28th, 2024
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, Ryan White, Dean Karsky, John Hinrichs and Tessica Severson
- **Not Present** – Patrick Schroeder and Joseph Kippley

Call the Meeting to Order:

Commissioner Karsky 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 02/27/2024.

(1) Minutes were approved from the 02/27/2024 Meeting.

(2) Personnel Updates: Traci Smith gave an update on being fully staffed. Betsy Doyle discussed being appointed to the statewide commission and what her role will be and where they are at for hiring for the new state office. Betsy Doyle gave an update on the Interns that started in our office.

(3) Commissioner Karsky moved on to item three on the agenda, Review of the Public Defender Financial Report. Traci Smith gave an update on the Budget, Traci Smith talked about the changes she asked the Auditor to make to our line items which will allow our office to be able to monitor costs more closely. Traci Smith handed out the proposed budget request for next year for review.

(4) Commissioner Karsky moved to Item number 4 on the agenda, Review Draft MOU for SEBH and PDO Partnership. Traci Smith discussed why an updated MOU was requested and how that will make details clearer on our working partnerships. Commissioner Karsky moved to approve the updated MOU and it was approved so it can now go to the civil attorney for review.



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New Business:

(6) Opportunity for Public Comment: There were no requests for public comment

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:35am.