

Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice
Sentencing Reform Task Force

Parole Working Group
Minutes

January 7, 2021 / 1:00PM-2:00PM
VIRTUAL MEETING

ATTENDEES

WORKING GROUP MEMBERS

Kristen Hilkey, Chair, Colorado State Board of Parole, *Leader*
Taj Ashaheed, Second Chance Center
Michelle Aswad, Victim Representative
Mollie Shultz, DA's Office, 2nd Judicial District
Susan White, Parole Division, Department of Corrections

STAFF

Richard Stroker, CCJJ Consultant
Kim English, Division of Criminal Justice
Stephané Waisanen, Division of Criminal Justice

ABSENT

Jeff Chostner, District Attorney, 10th Judicial District
Kazi Houston, Rocky Mountain Victim Law Center

Issue/Topic	Discussion
<p>Welcome <i>Richard Stroker, CCJJ Consultant</i></p>	<p>Commission Consultant Richard Stroker led the meeting until Working Group Leader Kristen Hilkey could join the group.</p> <p>The primary agenda item was to begin discussions of the ADDITIONAL Conditions of Parole.</p>

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<p>Additional Conditions of Parole <i>Richard Stroker & Members</i></p>	<p>Richard stated that the STANDARD Conditions were now in the final stages for a recommendation and the group could start to review the ADDITIONAL conditions. Richard asked Susan to give members an overview of how the ADDITIONAL Conditions were developed.</p> <p>Susan stated that the ADDITIONAL Conditions revision was a joint effort between the parole division and the parole board. In reviewing the document, there were conditions that were duplicative and obsolete, as well as some conditions that may not be enforceable (those are the crossed out conditions). She suggested that the Condition IVX – Interlock system that is crossed out should be added back into the conditions since it is also in statute.</p> <p>Why was Section VI – Community Corrections--removed? Susan stated that it was very similar to Section V, but the parole group wanted to be specific in addressing programs that a parolee may participate in. The parole group addressed it through a directive instead of a condition. Once a parolee is released, the Community Parole Officer (CPO) reviews the directives with them.</p>

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<p>Review: Standard Conditions of Parole <i>Kristen Hilkey, WG Leader & Members</i></p>	<p>The Working Group discussed and approved the language revisions in the STANDARD Conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 1 – Obey all Federal/State laws and Municipal ordinances, conduct themselves as a law-abiding citizen, and not engage in any behavior that would indicate the potential for crime and violence. • Section II G –Parolee shall not use illegal drugs as defined under the Colorado statute and must submit to random drug screening as ordered by the Community Parole Officer. • If an individual does not have a substance abuse issue, add a section to the ADDITIONAL Conditions, giving discretion to the division of parole. <p>Kristen stated she would make the changes and DCJ staff would distribute the revised STANDARD Conditions. She asked the group to review the statutory language and provide any suggestions for the next meeting.</p>

