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NEVADA BOARD OF PAROLE COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

**Meeting of the
Board of Parole Commissioners
December 31, 2025**

NOTE: The following minutes have not been approved and are subject to revision at the next meeting of the Board.

The Board of Parole Commissioners held a public meeting on December 31, 2025, beginning at 9:00 AM at the following locations:

Conference room at the central office of the Board of Parole Commissioners, located at 1677 Old Hot Springs Road, Ste. A, Carson City, NV, and video conference at the Parole Board Office, 4000 S. Eastern Avenue, Ste. 130, Las Vegas, NV.

I. Open Meeting, call to order, roll call 9:00 AM.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman DeRicco. Present in the Carson City office were Commissioner Weisenthal, Commissioner Mellinger. Present in the Las Vegas office were Commissioner Christiansen, Commissioner Schmitt, and Chairman DeRicco.

Support staff in attendance:

Sirya Striker, Administrative Assistant II

Members of the public present in Carson City included:

None.

Members of the public present in Las Vegas included:

None.

II. Public Comment. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken pursuant to subparagraph (2) of NRS 241.020.

Public comment – Carson City, NV

No public comment.

Public comment – Las Vegas, NV

No public comment.

III. For possible action: Review/Approval of minutes from the October 29, 2025, Board meeting.

Motion:	Approve the minutes of the October 29, 2025, Board meeting.
Made:	Commissioner Christiansen
Seconded By:	Commissioner Schmitt
Votes in Favor:	DeRicco, Weisenthal, Mellinger, Christiansen, Schmitt
Votes Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion passed

IV. For discussion and possible action: The Board may discuss and take action to review and discuss the recently passed legislation that may affect the Board. The Board may act by making changes to its procedures regarding the recently passed legislation which may include discussion on all bills passed in the 2025 session including but not limited to Assembly Bill No. 3 (AB3) and Assembly Bill No. 4 (AB4).

Chairman DeRicco opened this agenda item stating the Board may be impacted by the recently passed legislation, opening with the passing of AB3 section 3, 8, 9 and 10 all read the same. Stating that Commissioners are considered Public Officers now defined through statute. Definition “A person elected or appointed to a position which: (1) Is established by the constitution or a statute of this state or by a charter or ordinance of a political subdivision of this State; and (2) Involves the continuous exercise, as part of the regular and permanent administration of the government, of a public power, trust or duty.” As such, according to Section 3 of the bill in NRS 293.908, you may request that personal information contained in the records of the Secretary of State or a county or city clerk be kept confidential. Section 8: references NRS 247.520 Home address. The home address of your spouse, domestic partner or minor child or any telephone number or electronic e-mail address that is contained in the records of a county recorder be kept confidential. The first is with the Secretary of State and the other is with the County Recorder. Section 9 referencing NRS 250.140 may request that personal information described in subsection 1, 2 or 3 of NRS 250.120 that is contained in the records of a county assessor be kept confidential. Stating Home address, home address of your spouse, domestic partner or minor child or any telephone number or electronic e-mail address. Section 10 references NRS 481.091, where you may request that the Department of Motor Vehicles display an alternate address on your driver’s license, commercial driver’s license or Identification card.

Chairman DeRicco opened the floor for discussion regarding the changes pertaining to Commissioners being “Public Officers”

There was no discussion.

Chairman DeRicco then explained the passing of the AB4 bill, he explained that this was the Governor’s crime bill that passed in the special session. He encouraged all to read the bill in its entirety but went on to explain the sections that will affect the Board and will be placed in NRS 209. Section 32 defines an alternative correctional program as the program for reentry of offenders into the community that is established by the Director pursuant to section 33 of this act. That is the definition for the alternative correctional program. Section 33 reads as; 1) The Director may establish an alternative correctional program for the reentry of offenders into the community pursuant to this section; 2) if the Director establishes an alternative correctional program pursuant to this section the director shall determine whether offenders in the custody of the department are suitable to participate in the alternative correctional program; 3) An offender is suitable to in an alternative correctional program if: a) The

Director has requested that the Chair of the State Board of Parole Commissioners assign the offender to the custody of the Division to participate in a correctional program pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 209.488 ; and B) The Chair does not assign the offender to the custody of the Division to participate in a correctional program pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 209.488. The Director may assign an offender to an alternative correctional program if (a) The Director determines that an offender is suitable to participate in an alternative correctional program and (b) The offender has requested and agreed to participate in the alternative correctional program.

Chairman DeRicco explained further that if the Chairman does not place an inmate into a program under the supervision of the Division, the inmate may be placed and entered into Nevada Department of Correction's (NDOC) new alternative program if it's determined they will be suitable candidates and that the inmate agrees to participate in the program. This new alternative program will be administered and supervised by the NDOC, and NDOC will be working on the regulations and policies for this program, and nothing has been approved yet. However, the qualifications of the program as testified to at the special session include; No sex offenders, no violent offense on current booking, must be within 18 months of possible release, must have served over 50% of their maximum term, no felony/ICE holds, must be 6 months from major infraction, must be at least 12 months from a violent disciplinary infraction, and no escape history from medium or above custody or no escape or walk away history from minimum or below custody within the last 5 years. He explained that this program will likely be up and running sometime in the second half of 2026. He stated that these were the only sections that pertained to NRS 209 that applies to the Parole Board. He explained this was an overview of how this will work under the Department of Corrections.

He then opened the floor for discussion on this part of the bill.

Commissioner Schmitt asked if this was a similar program to the 'Tom Ely' reentry program that NDOC tried to participate in or was it a separate reentry program. Chairman DeRicco was not sure what the 'Tom Ely' reentry program was. He stated this reentry program was a new program and alternative correctional program where NDOC will be able to release inmates into the community where they will be able to supervise these inmates and not Parole and Probation (P&P). He stated that this will be budgeted for 12 new positions through the Inspector General; some staff will be going to POST, Cat 2 supervision officers. This will be done through NDOC in house supervising their own inmates rather than sending them to P&P to their 305 or 317 program. Commissioner Schmitt stated thank you.

Chairman DeRicco then read through Section 42 of AB4. He stated that NDOC will inform any inmate participating in an alternative correctional program of their next parole eligibility date and allow the inmate to sign a waiver to forgo their parole hearing while in the program and to remain on the alternative correctional program until they expire.

He opened this section for discussion. There was no discussion.

Chairman DeRicco then read through Section 43 and 44 of AB4. Discussing section 44 of AB4 Chairman DeRicco stated that the Board already has a denial reason for failing a correctional program and stated there isn't any need to update the denial reasons, nor needing any update to aggravating factors as there is an existing factor in the Boards NAC for failing a correctional program.

He opened this section for discussion. There was no discussion.

Chairman DeRicco then began to explain the last section of AB4 which is section 45. Stating that it will change the language of NRS 213.1258 from “stalking with the use of an internet or network site, electronic mail, text messaging or any other similar means of communication” to “stalking by electronic means.” It was defined in NRS 200.575 11(d) “Electronic means” includes, without limitation, through the use of an Internet or network site, a social media communication, electronic mail, text messaging or any other similar means of communication used to electronically publish, display or distribute information. He stated that it was redefined in statute.

He opened this section for discussion. There was no discussion.

- V. **Public Comment.** No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken pursuant to subparagraph (2) of NRS 241.020.

Public comment – Carson City, NV

No public comment.

Public comment – Las Vegas, NV

No public comment.

- VI. **For possible action:** The Board may act to adjourn the meeting.

Motion:	To adjourn the October 29, 2025, meeting of the Nevada Board of Parole Commissioners.
Made:	Commissioner Christiansen
Seconded By:	Commissioner Schmitt
Votes in Favor:	DeRicco, Weisenthal, Mellinger, Christiansen, Schmitt
Votes Opposed:	None
Results:	Motion passed