

# SEXUAL OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

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Certification/QA Sub-Committee  
February 10, 2023  
Idaho Department of Corrections

## **Members present (subcommittee):**

Michael Johnston, PhD., Chair  
Brian Marx, Vice Chair  
Paula Garay, Member  
Melissa Hultberg, Member  
Gabriel Hofkins, Member

## **Others Present:**

Nancy Volle, Program Manager  
Jamie Lundy, AA2  
Karin Magnelli, Deputy Attorney General

## **Guest:**

## **Excused:**

N/A

## **Call to Order**

Mr. Marx called the sub-committee meeting to order at 8:31 A.M.

## **Certification and QA Sub-Committee:**

Mr. Marx moved that the subcommittee convene in executive session at 8:31 am to: Consider records that are exempt from public disclosure [I.C. § 74-206(1)(d)] chapter 1, title 74, Idaho code see I.C. § 74-106(9). The purpose of the subcommittee executive session is to consider applications for SOMB certification and to advise the board. It was seconded by Ms. Hultberg. The vote was Dr. Johnston, Chair, aye, Mr. Betts, Member, aye and Paula Garay, Member, aye.

Mr. Marx motioned to come out of executive session at 9:34 am., the motion was seconded by Ms. Hultberg. The vote was Dr. Johnston, Chair, aye, Mr. Betts, Member, aye and Paula Garay, Member, aye.

❖ **Break 9:35am-9:48am**

Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 10, 2023  
Idaho Department of Correction

**Members present:**

Michael Johnston, PhD, Chair  
Brian Marx, Vice Chair  
Jeff Betts, Member  
Paula Garay, Member  
Moirra Lynch, Member  
Gabriel Hofkins, Member  
Melissa Hultberg, Member

Matt Thomas, Member

**Others Present:**

Nancy Volle, Program Manager  
Jamie Lundy, AA2  
Karin Magnelli, Deputy Attorney General

**Guest:**

Amy Campbell-ISP  
Alana Minton-ISP  
Chris Colson-P&P  
Melissa Mezo-Zoom  
Breanne Speas-Zoom  
Amai Vicardi-Bow-Zoom  
Ilona Csik-Zoom  
Mike Davidson  
Dan Montgomery

**Excused**

John Dinger, Member

**Call to Order**

Dr. Johnston called the full board meeting to order at 9:48 am and the motion was seconded by Ms. Lynch and all remaining members present voted aye.

**Board Business:**

**1). Renewal Applications/Approved Provisional Applications:**

- ❖ Ms. Volle advised the Board the following applications for Provisional certification were approved:
- ❖ January 2023-2: Initial Provisional Level Juvenile Treatment Provider
- ❖ January 2023-3: Initial Provisional Level Adult Treatment Provider

**2.) Minutes Approval for January 13, 2023, regular Board meeting minutes (Action Item):**

- ❖ Motion to approve the January 13, 2023, minutes was made by Mr. Marx. Motion seconded by Ms. Hultberg and all members present voted aye. **Motion Carried.**

**3.) Training/Conferences (Action Item):**

- A. Faces of Hope-lunch with Maggie Nichols Board Member attendance.** Motion to approve \$1000.00 to attend the lunch made by Mr. Marx. It was seconded by Ms. Garay and all members present voted aye. **Motion Carried.**
- B. IATSA Conference 2023.** Motion to approve 5 members to attend made by Mr. Marx. It was seconded by Ms. Lynch and all members present voted aye. **Motion Carried.**

**4.) Treatment guided by assessment discussion-Melissa Mezo**

- ❖ Discussion of not having a PSE to guide treatment. It is needed to help create the treatment plan. There is not a clear understanding why it is not being done.
- ❖ The SOMB Standards need to be updated and changed.
- ❖ Ms. Mezo will let Ms. Volle know the ATSA Guidelines (#9).
- ❖ What are requirements and how long is an evaluation valid? The treatment needs to be targeted by an evaluation.
- ❖ Funding is always an issue. It goes beyond ATSA. Jurisdiction can also be an issue.

**5.) 2023/2024 SOMB Board meeting schedule (Action Item):**

- Ms. Volle presented the proposed 2023 and 2024 SOMB Board meeting schedule.
- It was discussed that once the tiered registration is complete, the Board may only meet every couple of months.
- The QA Subcommittee may need more time.
- There needs to be a new schedule prioritizing objectives.
- No vote taken.

**6.) Computerized Monthly Update form revision (Gabriel Hofkins)**

Mr. Hofkins presented the idea of having the template default to the previous month. This could provide ease of use.

- ❖ There is a concern with auto-population which can create legal errors.
- ❖ The option to evolve with disrupting ethics would be ideal. This could be an issue with individualizing.

**7.) Polygraph QA discussion**

- ❖ Ms. Volle updated the board on the current status of the polygraph certification process. She informed the board that Erika from APA has offered to assist with one to two certification reviews while an outside agency is determined.

- **Break 10:41am-10:51am**

## **8.) Tiered Sexual Offender Registry Discussion**

- ❖ Ms. Volle presented a PowerPoint outlining former discussions.
- ❖ The next Board meeting will have Dr. Grant Duwe presenting information regarding the ADVISOR assessment, which does show promise as an assessment tool for female sex offenders.
- ❖ The idea of new tiers being retrospective to those applicable to the date the law was enacted was discussed. There is still the question of moving in from out of state. The out of state individual would still need to do an assessment or be at a default tier. A refusal to do the assessment could be a default Tier 3.
- ❖ There needs to be a solution to avoid over-loading staff.
- ❖ ISP currently sends out about 1200 reminders a month at a significant cost.
- ❖ The homeless are still required to check-in.
- ❖ Conversations need to be had about staffing bandwidth. It does not just affect the PO's. Ms. Lynch is not opposed to recommendations for staff support.
- ❖ There was the discussion of LSI-R. It can be automated but is not recommended for sex offending.
- ❖ The LSI-R is only good for female criminal behavior not the registry. There is not enough data for research and is only based on inmates. Most female sex offenders do not end up in prison.
- ❖ No Board members are in favor of or support the use of LSI-R for the registry.
- ❖ The estimated cost of a 5-tier registry is 1.4 million. Ms. Volle will provide a further breakdown. The board is not close to a cost determination yet.
- ❖ New offenses will start over on the tiers.
- ❖ Tier 3 will typically be younger individuals which is a concern.
- ❖ Movement throughout the tiers can be based on years. Does it accumulate or restart? This can have a fiscal impact. The nature of the tools expect movement.
- ❖ There is currently no credit for time already spent on the registry.
- ❖ Dr. Johnston and Ms. Lynch like the idea of movement throughout the tiers.
- ❖ It was suggested that the detailed issues of the proposed registry be made into rules, which are easier to change. The Board is required to promulgate rules. A subcommittee can determine the rules.
- ❖ Discussion of the amount of times movement through the tiers can be allowed. What is the justification for a one time move? It has to be explained for defending. There is cost and resources for each move.
- ❖ There needs to be a limit for movement. Who can petition to move? Ms. Volle will research this information.

Adjourned at 12:01pm.

Submitted by Jamie Lundy, SOMB AA2

