BOARD OF PAROLE HEARINGS
Executive Board Meeting
January 17 and 18, 2023

January 17, 2023

Meeting called to order at 09:00 a.m.

Pursuant to Senate Bill 189, which became effective on June 30, 2022, the meeting was conducted by videoconference and telephone.

Roll Call: Commissioners Barton, Cassady, Chappell, Dobbs, Garcia, Garland, Kozel, Long, Ndudim, Nwajei, O'Meara, Purcell, Ruff, Schneider, Sharrieff, Sullivan, Taira, Thornton, and Weiss present.

Commissioner GARCIA stated that the majority of currently-appointed commissioners were present.

Meeting recessed at 09:04 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

4. Approval of Motion for Hearings with Procedural Errors.

O'KEEFE, TIMOTHY (T18599)

No speakers.

TOMASINI, PAUL (AR2521)

A representative of the San Diego County District Attorney's Office and the victim's family opposed ordering a rehearing.

Commissioner BARTON moved to approve the consent calendar, minutes and hearings with procedural errors. Commissioner CASSADY seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Report from Chief Counsel, Jessica Blonien

BLONIEN gave a staffing update.

Report from Chief Deputy of Program Operations (Acting), Tara Doetsch

DOETSCH gave a staffing update.

Report from Chief Deputy of Field Operations, Rhonda Skipper-Dotta

SKIPPER-DOTTA welcomed a new administrative law judge, KENDRA WEBER.

Report from Chief of the Office of Victim and Survivor Rights and Services (OVSRS), Katie James

JAMES gave an overview of the work of OVSRS and the services that it provides.

OPEN COMMENTS.

CONNIE LASKY, San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office, requested that OVSRS provide District Attorneys' Offices with early notification of the registration of victims and their families.

VANESSA NELSON-SLOANE, Life Support Alliance, stated that the organization's annual family seminar will be held on February 11, 2023, at 08:00 a.m., in Sacramento. She thanked SHAFFER for agreeing to participate in the seminar.

Roll Call: Commissioners Cassady, Garcia, Kozel, Long, Ndudim, O'Meara, Ruff, Schneider, Sharrieff, Taira, Thornton, and Weiss present.

EN BANC REFERRALS

Referral by the Governor pursuant to Penal Code section 4802 to review a commutation application.

10. ATLAS, TYSON (AB0785)

ATLAS's family and friends supported the application.

A representative of the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office opposed the application.

11. CANO, CARLOS (P07818)

CANO's attorney, HEIDI RUMMEL, his family and friends supported the application.

12. CHAVEZ, RAUL (F77990)

No speakers.

13. LOFTIS, MARTIN (H51235)

LOFTIS's family and friends supported the application.

14. SANDERS, GREGORY (C38274)

SANDERS's friends supported the application.

Referral by the Chief Counsel to consider referral for a rescission hearing pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2450 et seq.

15. CLARK, DAMONE (D57043)

CLARK's friend supported his release.

Referral by the Chief Counsel pursuant to Penal Code section 3041(b) and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2042 to assure complete, accurate, consistent and uniform decisions and the furtherance of public safety.

16. ELLIS, CALEB (AH4625)

ELLIS's family and friends supported his release.

17. HOLLIS, THERMAN (G13175)

HOLLIS's family and friends supported his release.

18. JONES, SCOTT (H79223)

JONES's friend supported his release.

19. KINCY, DUNIFU (F50118)

KINCY's family supported his release.

20. RELIFORD, HUEY (H45837)

A representative of the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rehearing.

Referral pursuant to Penal Code section 3041 when there is a tie vote.

21. HALLER, JAMES (F68126)

No public comment permitted.

Referral by the Governor pursuant to Penal Code 3041.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2044, subdivision (b), to request review of a parole decision by a majority of appointed commissioners.

22. ANDERSON, ERIK (P08153)

ANDERSON's attorney, JOSEPH MAGAZZENI, his family and friends supported his release.

A representative of the Orange County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

23. BELLFLOWER, KATHERINE (X14096)

BELLFLOWER's family and friends supported her release.

24. FRUCTOSO, JOSE (AK9554)

No speakers.

25. GIVENS, HENRY (C17122)

No speakers.

26. MADRIGAL, EDGAR (AZ3057)

MADRIGAL's family and friends supported his release.

Meeting recessed at 02:29 p.m.

January 18, 2022

Meeting reconvened at 9:00 a.m.

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Roll Call: Commissioners Barton, Cassady, Chappell, Dobbs, Garcia, Garland, Nwajei, O'Meara, Purcell, Schneider, Sullivan, and Taira present.

Commissioner BARTON stated that the majority of currently-appointed commissioners were present.

EN BANC REFERRALS

Referral by the Chief Counsel to consider rescission hearing pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2450 et sq. Additionally, this case is a referral by the Governor pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2044, subdivision (b), to request review of a parole decision by a majority of appointed commissioners.

30. JENKINS, ROBERT (C46455)

The victim's family recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

Referral by the Governor pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2044, subdivision (b), to request review of a parole decision by a majority of appointed commissioners.

31. ABBAGO, ANNIE (WA0014)

No speakers.

32. BOYD, DARIEN (P23549)

BOYD's family supported his release.

33. BRITTON, TERRY (D03658)

BRITTON's family supported his release.

34. BROUDY, JAYMES (V52235)

A representative of the Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

35. COTA, ROBERT (J63977)

COTA's family supported his release.

36. DARNELL, ROGER (T06200)

No speakers.

37. FERGUSON, MATTHEW (T70382)

FERGUSON's family and friend supported his release.

A representative of the Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office, the victim's family and friend recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

38. MENESES, JASINTO (AB8033)

A representative of the Orange County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

39. MYERS, CLARENCE (B92664)

MYERS's attorney, MARC GARDNER, supported his release.

The victim's family recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

40. NELOMS, CAREY (H26926)

A representative of the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

41. RAMIREZ, ADRIEL (K58895)

RAMIREZ's attorney, KATHY RICHARDS, and a friend supported his release.

A representative of the Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

42. SCHOENHOEFT, JOSEPH (P87112)

The victim's family recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

43. VALENZUELA, JACOB (F71174)

No speakers.

44. WHITE, WILLIAM (T67472)

WHITE's family supported his release.

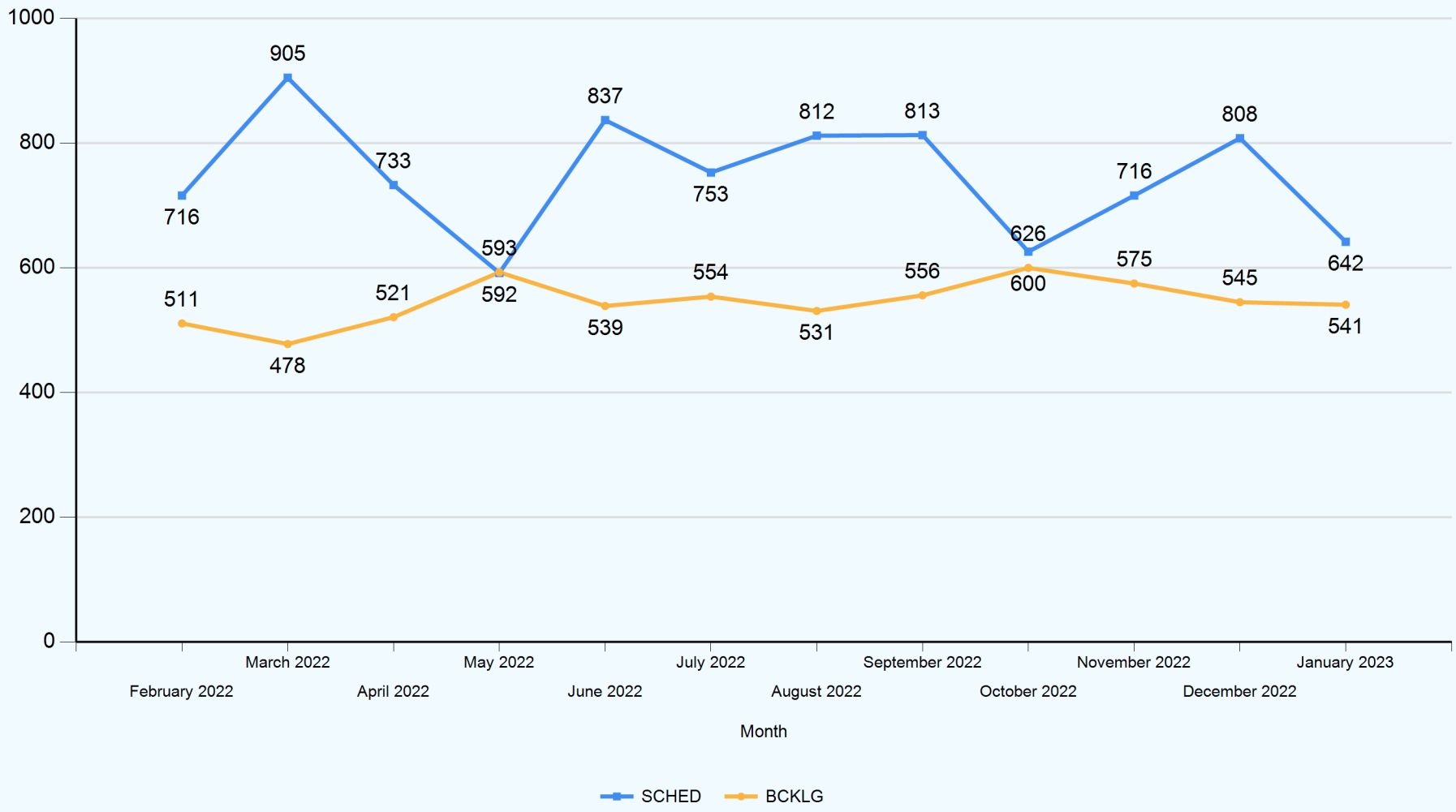
A representative of the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

45. WILSON, IAN (F38559)

The victim's family and friend recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

OPEN COMMENT

VANESSA NELSON-SLOANE, Life Support Alliance, expressed concern that some hearing panels minimize the impact of the sexual abuse experienced by inmates on their criminal thinking and actions. She recommended that panels ensure that a program is available at an inmate's institution before recommending that they participate in it.

Meeting recessed at 10:48 a.m.
Meeting reconvened at 2:56 p.m. and adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

Board of Parole Hearings
Scheduled and Backlog Hearings Report
Penal Code Section 3041(d)
February, 2023