

IDOC Women's Issues Sub-Committee Meeting
IDOC Advisory Board
Stateville Correctional Center
Monday, July 26, 2010
1 p.m.

Board members in attendance: Pat Hartshorn, Malcolm C. Young, W. Kendric Berry, Angela Rudolph, David Olson

Non-board members in attendance: Herbert Quinde, William Marshall, Gladyse Taylor, Austin Randolph Jr., David Eldridge, Roberta Fewes, Brianna Baker-Carvell, Mary Ann Dyar, Sara Sullivan, Cory Foster, Sharyn Elman, Eddie Jones, Shelith Hansbro

Approval of Minutes

The motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting was made by Mr. Hartshorn, and seconded by Dave Olson.

Training

- **Suicide Prevention:** There were 2 suicides at Dwight that happened very close in time, and this made the Department retrain all of their security staff.
 - IDOC posted posters to show 6 ways to show a friend is in trouble, and posted the name of the family services coordinator in the facility.
 - The goal is to have the training always taking place.
- Ms. Hansbro mentioned that they also attended to gender responsive training.
- Ms. Fewes mentioned the quality of life training that takes place with the offenders and they get notified of issues to watch out for.
 - IDOC is trying to offer uplifting programming, and trying to update the crisis intervention training.
- Ms. Fewes would really like the sub-committee to come visit the facility in Dwight because the Department likes an outside perspective.
 - Relationships are going to happen and IDOC recognizes that, and is training staff to recognize healthy ones.
 - They are having beauty shop days and they population is really enjoying that.
 - 12 beauty school shops students worked on 64 women and they did perms and colors. The goal is to do this once a month.
 - They are still doing the "mom and me" camps on a regular basis.
 - Decatur is also changing how they do yard sessions and recreational time to factor in the difference of the female offender. This is to update on both the staff and the inmates.
 - The dog training is still taking place, and the medical unit has been using the dogs as therapy.
 - Sara Sullivan will be working a tour of the Moms and Babies program into the Decatur tour.

Adjourn

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dave Olson and seconded by Mr. Hartshorn at 1:25 PM.