



State of Oklahoma
PARDON AND PAROLE BOARD

**Pardon and Parole Board Meeting
Special Meeting Minutes
October 2021**

**Tuesday, October 5, 2021
9:00 a.m.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Adam Luck, Larry Morris, Kelly Doyle, Scott Williams, Richard Smothermon

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF: Tom Bates, Melinda Romero, Leroy Long, and Kyle Counts

GUESTS: None

I. Call to Order – Chairman Adam Luck- Following the Pardon and Parole Board special meeting, Chairman Luck called the Parole Meeting of the Pardon and Parole Board (PPB) to order at 9:00 a.m. on the Zoom Webinar ID# 97434406514.

A. Roll Call - The members attending were Adam Luck, Larry Morris, Kelly Doyle, Scott Williams, Richard Smothermon, with the voting order being Scott Williams, Adam Luck, Richard Smothermon, Kelly Doyle, Larry Morris.

B. Pledge of Allegiance – Chairman Luck invited all attendees to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Assurance of Compliance with Open Meeting Act - General Counsel Kyle Counts provided assurance of compliance with the Open Meeting Act. The business meeting of the Pardon and Parole Board was convened in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. This meeting was preceded by an advance notice of the date, time, and place filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State on September 21, 2021. Notice of this meeting was also given at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the meeting by posting notice of the date, time, virtual meeting place, and agenda of the meeting on October 1, 2021, on the Pardon and Parole Board's website, www.ok.gov/ppb. The meeting is in compliance with the Open Meeting Act.

II. Action Item: Clemency Hearing for John Marion Grant, DOC #102816 – Chairman Adam Luck-

Chairman Adam Luck explained that the purpose of the day's special meeting was to hold a clemency hearing for John Marion Grant, DOC #102816, and briefly went over the order of events for the hearing.

Ms. Sarah Jernigan and Ms. Meghan LeFrancois, Assistant Public Defenders from the office of the Federal Public Defender in the Western District of Oklahoma, and Dr. Craig Haney, psychologist, presented on behalf of Mr. Grant for 35 minutes, having reserved five minutes for rebuttal. The meeting recessed at 10:04 a.m. and reconvened at 10:11 a.m.

Following the recess, Ms. Jennifer Crabb and Mr. Joshua Lockett, Assistant Attorneys General, and former Osage County District Attorney Keith Simms, made a 37-minute presentation to the Board in opposition to clemency for Mr. Grant. They reserved three minutes of time for summation. The meeting recessed at 11:06 a.m. and reconvened at 11:12 a.m.

After the recess, Pam Carter presented to the Board as the victim representative for the victim, Gay Carter, in opposition to clemency for Mr. Grant.

Ms. Crabb and Mr. Lockett presented a three-minute summation, followed by a five-minute rebuttal by Ms. Jernigan on behalf of Mr. Grant. Chairman Luck restated that Mr. Grant waived his personal appearance before recessing at 11:29 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 11:35 a.m.

Chairman Luck called for a vote on clemency for John Marion Grant, and the vote was 3-2 (two yea, three nay). The final action of the Board was to not make a recommendation for clemency for Mr. Grant.

III. Adjournment – Chairman Adam Luck

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sicilia Talavera
Executive Assistant

The meeting minutes for the October 5, 2021 Pardon and Parole Board Special Meeting were approved by a majority vote on the 11th Day of October, 2021.