

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Wednesday, February 05, 2014
TIME: 8:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room C310
MEMBERS: Senators Co-chairman Cameron, Keough, Mortimer, Vick, Nuxoll, Johnson, Bayer, Thayne, Schmidt, Lacey
Representative(s) Co-chairman Bell, Bolz, Eskridge, Thompson, Gibbs, Stevenson, Miller, Youngblood, Jordan(Ringo), King
**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None
CONVENED: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bell at 8:00 a.m.
STAFF Richard Burns
PRESENT: **DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION (IDOC)**
PRESENTERS: **Brent Reinke, Director of the Department of Correction**, introduced the Board: Robin Sandy, Chairman, Dr. David McClusky, Vice Chairman, and J. R. Van Tassel, Secretary. He also introduced the general manager of Correctional Industries, Alan Anderson, and other departmental staff.

The director provided a brief overview of the department's mission, vision, and value statements, as well as, a brief description on three goals to achieve that mission.

Director Reinke went on to discuss major board decisions that were made concerning two of the department's largest contracts: The medical services contract and the contract to manage the publicly-owned, but privately-operated Idaho Correctional Center (ICC). He deferred discussion on the medical services contract until later, but proceeded to discuss the chronology of events leading to the Board's decision on January 10, for the state to assume the operation of the Idaho Correctional Center.

Director Reinke then introduced **Deputy Director Kempf**, who is leading the transition of this 2,060-bed facility from private management to state management. Deputy Director Kempf went on to explain that his first goal is to focus on staff and making the transition. The second goal is focused on stabilizing the inmate population. And the third goal is developing and providing meaningful opportunities for inmates in education, vocational education, and through other programs offered by Correctional Industries.

Upon completion of **Deputy Director Kempf's** remarks, **Director Reinke** thanked the committee for approving the supplemental for ICC transition costs, then provided other budgetary details relating to this transition and contract closure.

Mr. Reinke spoke to budget adjustments. The final Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) payment of \$2.4 million to occur in the fiscal year that the service occurs. The Governor's recommendation for state operations for FY 15 is \$25,072,500. This is the current budget minus the CCA medical cost of \$4.8 million.

At their request, the Division of Financial Management submitted a revision, adding \$340,000 in inmate management funds to this budget. The Governor also recommended the FTP cap for prisons be lifted while they analyze staffing needs.

He spoke to the following functions; technology, correctional officer turnover, human resources, employee raises, inmate population, maximum security safety checks, inflation, developing a data-driven facility plan, and correction facility capacity.

Mr. Reinke explained the court and federal decisions with future fiscal impact. He continued by reviewing **Community Corrections** by the following topics; probation and parole, presentence investigations, probation and parole updates, education, treatment & reentry, SUDS unique clients served, and partnerships that work.

Mr. Reinke explained the Balla lawsuit resulted in board action to rebid the medical contract to include ICC. Medical model, June 2013 is shown on page 16 of the presentation. **Medical Services** budget includes a \$1.2 million supplement for contract extension. The new contract for FY 2015 requires an increase of \$12.7 million, which includes an increase in the base contract amount, and enhance funding to cover increased bandwidth for electronic medical records and contract monitoring. He said they are also working with the Department of Health and Welfare and the Division of Purchasing to develop contracts in which some of the off-site care will be billed at Medicaid rates. This could reduce the medical services contract costs by \$2 million.

He stated that IDOC was making a difference by assisting the Idaho Food Bank and with forest fires.

The presentation included detailed information on the FY 14 Governor's budget recommendation for supplemental funding, FY 15 Governor's budget recommendation, adjustments and line item enhancements. He concluded his remarks by saying 2014 represents a milestone for corrections. It marks 150 years of corrections in Idaho. To view the presentation click on [Department of Correction](#).

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Bell adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Representative Bell
Chair

Kathryn Yost
Secretary