



**Sex Offender Treatment Provider Advisory Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 19, 2024**

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- Committee members present:** Jason Bailey, MA, LMHC, NCC, SOTP  
Daniel Yanisch, Psy.D., CSTOP (inactive)  
Vacant, Superior Court Judge
- Committee members absent:** Corey McNally, MS, LMHC, Dept. of Corrections, Chair  
Lorraine Lynch, MSW, LICSW, CSOTP, Vice Chair  
Bryce Nelson, J.D.  
Sonja Hardenbrook, J.D.  
Holly Coryell, Ph.D., Dept. of Social & Human Services  
Jedd Pelander, Dept. of Children, Youth & Families  
Daniel Knoepfler, LMHC, CSOTP
- Staff members present:** Lana Crawford, Program Manager  
Kalon Robinson-Goodman, Program Manager  
Joseph Miller, Executive Director  
Eve Austin, Executive Director  
John Simmons, Assistant Program Manager  
Brandon Williams, Project Manager  
James Smartt, Program Support  
Joan Simmons, Program Support  
Noelle Chung, Assistant Attorney General  
Melody Casiano, Policy Analyst
- Guest presenters:** None

On March 19, 2024, the Sex Offender Treatment Providers Advisory Committee met via web conference and in-person at Washington State Department of Health, Town Center East 2 (TC2) Building, Room #153, 111 Israel Road SE, Tumwater, WA 98501. Notice of the meeting was published on the [profession website](#) and was sent out through the GovDelivery listserv.

**1. Call to Order – Corey McNally, MS, LMHC, Dept. of Corrections, Chair**

- 1.1. Introductions – Ms. Crawford called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. However, due to not meeting quorum, this meeting was informational only. Committee members and agency staff introduced themselves and their area of practice.
- 1.2. Approval of the March 19, 2024, regular meeting agenda. Mr. Williams asked to change item 6 title from "rules workshop" to "rules update". – ***This item was not covered due to no quorum.***
- 1.3. Approval of the December 4, 2023 regular meeting minutes and January 23, 2024 special meeting minutes. – ***This item was not covered due to no quorum.***

**2. Public Comment – Corey McNally, MS, LMHC, Dept. of Corrections, Chair – This item was skipped.**

- 2.1. There was no public comment.

**3. SOTP Program Statistics – Eve Austin, Executive Director and Lana Crawford, Program Manager**

- 3.1. Credentialing report – Ms. Austin briefed the committee on the SOTP credentialing statistics as of February 2024. There are currently 98 active SOPT licenses and 1 pending application. In addition, there are currently 12 active affiliate certifications and 4 pending applications.
- 3.2. Budget – Ms. Crawford briefed the committee on the program budget as of January 2024. The fund balance is currently \$703,045.

**4. HSQA Re-organization – Eve Austin, Executive Director**

- 4.1. Ms. Austin shared the communication to BCC document explaining the reorganization and provided a breakdown of the behavioral health professions that are split between her and Mr. Miller. She also announced the transition of program manager from Ms. Crawford to Mr. Robinson-Goodman.

**5. HELMS – Eve Austin, Executive Director**

- 5.1. Ms. Austin provided information on the HELMS project and answered questions from the committee.

**6. Jurisprudence (JP) Exam Discussion – Lana Crawford, Program Manager - *This item has been tabled to be covered in the next meeting.***

6.1. Ms. Crawford shared the recommendations received from committee members for the Jurisprudence exam. This item will be covered in the next meeting.

**7. Rulemaking Workshop – Lana Crawford, Program Manager. - *This item has been tabled to be covered in the next meeting.***

7.1. The committee reviewed draft language to support the current rulemaking in progress for 246-930 WAC.

**8. Advisory Committee Outreach – Corey McNally, MS, LMHC, Dept. of Corrections, Chair - *This item has been tabled to be covered in the next meeting.***

8.1. Ms. Crawford provided an update on the progress of the committee. They are working on the PowerPoint presentation that will be presented at the various schools in Washington in September.

**9. 2024 Legislative Session – Lana Crawford, Program Manager**

9.1. Ms. Crawford presented the Bill Tracker with details of bill statuses.

**10. Open Discussion of SOTP Advisory Committee – Corey McNally, MS, LMHC, Dept. of Corrections, Chair – *This item was not covered.***

**11. Future Agenda Items – Lana Crawford, Program Manager**

- Rulemaking workshop for 246-930 WAC (recommended to move up on agenda after public comments)
- Credentialing Trends over an extended time (1-3 years) to include data such as:
  - o Application trends by license type
  - o Effectiveness of outreach efforts
  - o Pending applications (new or lingering)
  - o Application processing times by license type
- ESSB 6641
  - o Find out if there was a drop in overall applications due to the language change.
- Jurisprudence Exam Discussion
- Rulemaking Workshop
- Advisory Committee Outreach

**12. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

**Submitted by:**  
Lana Crawford, Program Manager  
Sex Offender Treatment Provider Advisory  
Committee

**Approved by:**  
Corey McNally, Chair  
Sex Offender Treatment Provider Advisory  
Committee

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