

APC Meeting – 04/09/2026

For the Union: Robin Tilman, Jason Marks, Kelly Thomas, Paul Cieslinski, Jaedan Tucker, Jeff Fortman, Anna White, Todd Smith, Jim Haas, Andrew Longberry, Ray Gordon, Jen Stormont, Danielle Droll, Angie Foltz, Amy Jenkins, Kristie Branch

For the Management: Allison Vaughn, Stacy Shelton-Ewing, Monika Hampton, Katrina Ransom, Jason (BOSC), Brittany Thomas, Seth Howard, Todd Liggett, Taylor Vonderhaar, Heather Smith

Regarding Earned Days Credit (Taylor): the big problem is with “significant dumps” for good time. This makes things very difficult with detainer pickups, placement investigations, etc. Some changes (4299 Tracking in DOTS) are trying to be made to know what inmates are in program and may possibly get earned credit. Often, the problems are with the college programs that are delayed in entering completion credits. Complying with ORC, DRC is unable to delay earned credit time and/or delay the release.

Why Increased securing measures (panic buttons, increased cameras, accessing doors through ID) – Katrina reports most APA offices are now equipped with panic buttons and cameras. It’s not in response to any particular incident but a Regional Administrator can request if they feel there is a need. New ID’s – Katrina reported that we are switching systems, which will allow for the ID badge to do more (i.e. to log into computers in addition to hitting the time clock). Each region has a few people to troubleshoot, but the entire DRC is changing over to the new system by June 30th. Katrina reports “no idea” where the money came from to support this upgrade. Katrina stated her belief that this is not even a DRC thing, but rather implemented by DAS.

Electrified Vest – Marks discussed an incident with a non-compliant offender who slipped restraints. Called in STAR team, who had this vest which gained immediate compliance. Why don’t transport teams or other APA staff have this accessible? Katrina reported that there is a lot of additional training and responsibility which they reportedly have chosen to use STAR instead of training all PO’s. Right now, management feels that the practices in place seem to be working, but never rule out this option coming to APA in the future. DOTS code for problematic transports, Katrina reports that it appears that a lot of PO’s have access to this screen.

Tasers – Katrina reports that we are working to get Tasers for everyone. Right now, working on purchasing. Right now, we do have money in budget to cover costs if ordered before 6/30. Some applications (i.e. Fee Portal) moving to OCSS, which will save money to cover the cost of the ordering. Katrina reports that Regionals have been asked for a couple of staff to start attending prison trainings. Dayton RA Chris Gipson is at a conference this

week about the Tasers to get more knowledge for developing APA model for implementation. Carrying of the Taser will be optional. Staff cannot carry the taser until training is completed.

CQC Training – Marks asked about the equipment that is used for this training (i .e. shields). Katrina reported that those initially trained are now training new people who are selected by Regionals. Katrina reported that the Regionals have identified those people and submitted the names to Columbus.

BWC – once any review/investigation is completed, can the video of a qualifying incident be used for training purposes. Katrina reported that there will be no blanket answer to this, as the officers involved will need to consent to the video being showed and/or the critiques that are likely to follow.

Halfway House Safety Workgroup – to review how we are doing things currently, do changes need to be made and how/what. For purposes of talking points, those videos will be used. Regionals will decide who all will be on said workgroup, some from each position in the PO classification and some from every region. Katrina reported that she and Jessica have met with halfway house staff and some of the companies that operate the houses. Katrina wants to hear from any of our staff about what can be done to make PO's feel safer. The halfway houses are having similar conversations, but they will NOT dictate APA operations.

VAT updates – Brittany reports that Seth and Todd are working to schedule meetings with people who have experience with conducting VAL sweeps in each region. Hoping to have the teams functional by Fall of 2026. Taking ideas to assist with development of this initiative. Brittany advised that they are not trying to take things away from current operations. Looking for 10-12 officers from each region for the teams. Kelly recommended that Seth and Todd go out to the regions and speak with people and let them know what the goals and expectations are with potential candidates. Brittany, Seth, and Todd will also be meeting with local law enforcement partners. Brittany is hopeful that reaching out to the regions will aid in increased interest in participating in these operations. This is new to APA, so Katrina appreciates the patience with all of the changes. Warrants and Detainers are now 24/7 operation. Warrants can be entered faster with these changes.