

# Louisiana CURE

Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2020

**Participating (16):** Checo Yancy, Kelly Garrett, Jay Jackson, Keneth Frazier, Dustin Latimer, Peggy Scott, Kristen Antoine-Morse, Kevin Harris, Dan Krutz, Marianne Fisher Giolando, Chester Self, Shametria Gonzales, Avis Henderson, Lori Halvorson, Jacquelyn Germany, Sharon Williams

Vice President Kelly Garrett opened the meeting and requested a moment of silence. Kelly followed by giving an update on the pandemic situation at the correctional facilities, mentioning that things remain the same with some occasional spikes in COVID-19 cases. Many dorms remain on a quarantine status and all activities are not happening.

Nominations for the offices of Vice President and Treasurer were opened. For Vice President, Checo Yancy nominated Kelly Garrett and Kelly Garrett nominated Kristen Antoine-Morse. For Treasurer, Checo nominated Linda Fjeldsjo. Email nominations will remain open through Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. Elections will occur at the September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Elections for top level federal offices occur on November 2, 2020. A voter registration campaign is currently underway. General Election deadline: October 5 in-person or by mail; October 14 online. Jacqueline Germany is working on the Census Registration drive and encourages people to make sure they are registered to vote.

Kelly mentioned something about the list of names recently published in The Advocate concerning voters being "purged". Go to the Secretary of State's official website and click on "Geaux Vote" for a complete explanation of the procedure used to keep, or remove, names from the voter registration list. The names published in The Advocate on July 27<sup>th</sup> were not removed but had address conflicts and/or had not voted in the last two FEDERAL GENERAL ELECTIONS.

Marianne Fisher Giolando said that 52,000 people were purged from the voter registration list from Louisiana

Pardon Board hearings are about to resume. Kelly explained to everyone that the hearings are streamed on YouTube for everyone to watch. Anyone pre-approved to speak for an offender is connected via ZOOM. Comments for/against can be submitted and are part of the record.

Kelly and Checo spoke about ACT 202 and the impact it will have on men and women on probation.

Next ZOOM meeting will be on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Jay Jackson  
Secretary