

The Piedmont Regional Jail Authority Board meeting was held on May 20, 2026

The following were Present:

Not Present

Amelia Eric Pollitt
 David Felts

 Ricky Walker

Buckingham

 Karl Carter

Cumberland

Lunenburg Edward Pennington
 Tracy Gee

*Phillip Siegle

William Kidd
*Albert Jamerson

Darrell Hodges
Chris Simpson
Jay Scudder
Robert Saunders

Arthur Townsend
*Donald Penland

Nottoway

 Robert Jones
 William Collins

Steve Bowen

Prince Edward

 J. David Emert

 Douglas Stanley
 * David Wilmoth
 Tony Epps

*Sarah Puckett

* Denotes alternates

Also, present

Jail Jerry R. Townsend – Superintendent (PRJA)
 Gloria Giles - Secretary

Also present: Major Royal Eanes
 Major Lanay Walker
 Lt. Charles Scott
 Destiny Tucker – Intel Officer
 Katelyn Holliday – Officer
 Donelle Jones – Officer
 Vincent Robinson - Officer

The meeting was called to order by the Chairwoman Tracy Gee.

Guests in attendance and board members introduced themselves.

The minutes of the meeting held on April 15, 2026 of the Piedmont Regional Jail Authority Board were approved, by a motion from David Emert, seconded by Edward Pennington.

The treasurer's report for April 2026 was approved by a motion from Doug Stanley, seconded by David Emert.

The warrants for April 2026 were approved by a motion from Doug Stanley, seconded by David Emert.

The Budget was reviewed.

The Superintendent stated that the negative amount reflected on the Budget vs. Actual report is due to the reduced billing to the counties in the second and fourth quarters of this fiscal year.

The commissary account was reviewed.

The Superintendent informed the board that large purchases will be made from the commissary account for inmate clothing, mattresses and bedding. A used van will also be purchased for use by the commissary.

The Superintendent discussed the transportation report, jurisdiction report, and the billing summary for April 2026.

The Superintendent continued with his Agenda:

Piedmont Regional Jail Authority Board Meeting Agenda

May 20, 2026

Staff attending meeting will introduce themselves and give brief bio.

Old Business

- 1. Key Watcher Touch Update (Release /Intake Department Operational) Working process of gearing up Main Jail key system.**
2. Security Vacancies (15 officers)
3. VCBR (13 offenders)
- 4. Adult GED Classes and Special Education Classes (Going well)**
- 5. Successful Living Program (Going well)**
- 6. Successful Living Peer Support Group (Going well)**
- 7. Religious Services (Going Well)**
- 8. Drivers Education Class (Suspended at this time)**
- 9. McShin Foundation (Going Well)**

10. Cost per diem federal offenders. (Effective November 1st 2024 Per diem rate is 93 dollars.)
11. CML has been awarded the contract (\$1,486,731.00) to enhance exterior doors (audio/visual alarms) and interior cell doors with light indicators to identify when doors are secured versus unsecured. Also to install entrance sallyports prior when entering control rooms. Commissary Building Renovation: (Completed))
Fence Intrusion System (Completed)
12. Decision Points and "Making it on Supervision" District #24 (Going Well)
13. Reimbursement from Capitol Projects (Got approval from BOLRJ for change orders on capital projects, wastewater and recreation towers in the amount of \$279,827 for 2027) pending.
14. Contraband Detectors (I Building, L Building and Main Hall)
15. Sallyport Gate House (Completed)

New Business

1. FY 2027 Budget Approval and Appropriations and 2027 CIP
By a motion from Doug Stanley seconded by Edward Pennington and carried by a vote of all, the proposed budget and appropriation of funds to support the FY2027 budget in the amount of \$18,701,418.00 was approved.

The Chairwoman stated that if funds are received from the state for reimbursements for capital projects, these funds will then be allocated and are not reflected in the FY2027 budget.

2. Medication Statement (April 2026)
3. Renovation of Front Entrance in Progress
4. Roving Patrol Post (Night Shift 12/7 Days Week / Day Shift Weekends and Holidays) effective after July 2026
5. Electronic Rounds implemented Summer 2026

The Superintendent will look into an RFP for cutting timber/clearing areas around the jail to improve perimeter monitoring and access. He

stated that the existing trees are too close to the jail and pose a security risk.

**** Close Session if needed ****

By a motion from Edward Pennington seconded by Douglas Stanley the meeting was adjourned to June 17, 2026.

All motions carried unless noted.

Gloria Gely, Secretary