

PARDON ADVISORY BOARD: Chairman H. Patrick Weir, Attorney General Drew Wrigley, Beverly Adams, Jennifer Thompson, Leslie Bakken Oliver.

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<b>4/9/26</b>	<b>North Dakota Pardon Advisory Board</b>
Call to Order	<p>The meeting of the North Dakota Pardon Advisory Board was called to order by PW at 10:02 a.m.</p> <p>In attendance were Chairman H. Patrick Weir (PW), Attorney General Drew Wrigley (AGDW), Beverly Adams (BA), Jennifer Thompson (JT), Leslie Bakken Oliver (LBO) (appearing remotely), Adam Anderson, Tiffany Holte, Kimberley Thompson, Carisa Upton, Christopher Joseph, Conner Swanson, PO Jennifer Frankeberger, intern Tina Morris.</p>
Old Business	<p>Governor Armstrong granted 21 Pardons and 5 Marijuana Pardons, in November 2025. Letters of denial were sent out by the Governor’s Office. DOCR Legal Records has forwarded pardon certificates to the Clerks of Courts and BCI Criminal records to update their files.</p> <p>Correction to November 2025 agenda. It should have read “Governor Armstrong granted 17 Pardons and 1 Commutation” instead of 18 Pardons and 1 Commutation.</p>
Interview-	Michael Knipp (TEAMS)
	BA made a motion to recommend granting a pardon with removal of guilt. PW seconded. There was no further discussion. Roll Call Vote: JT, PW, AGDW, BA, LBO voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.
Interview-	Ryan Woods (TEAMS)
	AGDW made a motion to recommend denying and deferring a pardon, with eligibility to reapply in two years. BA seconded. There was no further discussion. Roll Call Vote: PW voted not in favor of the motion; AGDW, LBO, JT, BA voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.
Interview-	Brian Koistenen (TEAMS)
	AGDW made a motion to recommend granting a pardon with removal of guilt. PW seconded. There was no further discussion. There was no further discussion. Roll Call Vote: BA, LBO, PW, AGDW, JT voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.
Interview-	Sidney McCorvey
	JT made a motion to recommend granting a pardon with removal of guilt. BA seconded. There was no further discussion. Roll Call Vote: LBO, JT, AGDW, BA, PW voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.
Interview-	Christopher Walker (TEAMS)
	LBO made a motion to recommend granting a pardon with removal of guilt. PW seconded. There was no further discussion. There was no further discussion. Roll Call Vote: AGDW, PW, LBO, JT, BA voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.
Consent to Approve Agenda	<p>Christian Buchli, Carlos Ofosu, Tyler Ryan</p> <p>BA made a motion to accept the cases for Christian Buchli, Carlos Ofosu, and Tyler Ryan listed on the consent to approve agenda and recommended granting a pardon</p>

