

# MINUTES

## Sexual Offender Risk Review Board (SORRB)

*Date | time 02/13/2025 | 10:00am Meeting called to order by Mindy Ackerman, Board Vice Chair*

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### In Attendance

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Note Taker: Cailin Rossi

Members in Attendance: Mindy Ackerman, Elizabeth Bigham, Ezell Brown, Jerry Bruce, James Chafin, Robbie Frederick, Katie Gropper, Jim Morton, Albert Reeves, Lori Rozier, Meghan Thurmond

Members Absent: Frank Mullis

Staff in Attendance: Tracy Alvord, Amanda Aten, Russell Finley, Richard Hammond, Cailin Rossi

Legal Representative in Attendance: Elizabeth Crowder, Office of the Attorney General

*\*The public is able to view the meeting via YouTube*

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### Approval of Minutes

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The minutes from 1/16/2025 were voted on – all were in favor – Motion Carried.

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### Reports of Officers and Standing Committees

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There are currently no active committees.

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### Unfinished Business

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There was no unfinished business.

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### New Business

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There was no new business.

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### Executive Director's Report

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Executive Director Tracy Alvord presented her report:

- **Appropriations Subcommittee:** Tracy explains she testified at the Appropriations Subcommittee yesterday in the Senate. She was able to present updated case file completion numbers and percentages based on the progress SORRB has made since July of 2024 and the anticipation for completed cases into FY2026.
- **Reduction in FY2025 Budget:** The House is recommending a reduction in the FY25 budget due to the new hire process with SORRB. Tracy is hoping to find out in the next few weeks what the final determination will be since that will play a role in many factors with SORRB over the next few months.
- **Retreat – Confirmed for April 23-25:** The Annual SORRB Board Retreat is confirmed.
- **SORRB Staffing:** Tracy states she is very proud of SORRB staff to include Clinical Evaluator Supervisor, Amanda Aten, Chief Investigator, Russ Finley and Research and Legislative Analyst,

Markus Wiegel who have all been training new hires diligently over the last few months. It has been a challenge considering SORRB does not have a physical office. Tracy is grateful to stakeholders in Cobb County that provided training spaces to SORRB. Tracy explains as of Monday 2/17/2025, SORRB will officially be fully staffed with 8 PT Investigators, 13 FT Clinical Evaluators and 9 PT Clinical Evaluators.

- **New Office Renovation Quote:** Tracy explains the renovation quote is much larger than anticipated therefore renovations will be put on hold until the final determination for the budget is completed.
- **Post Meeting Training Topic-Risk Factors:** Tracy reminds Board Members to please stay after the meeting for a training on risk factors led by SORRB Research and Legislative Analyst, Markus Wiegel.

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## Deputy Director's Report

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Deputy Director Richard Hammond presented his report:

- **CJCC Grant:** Richard states SORRB was approved for the CJCC grant and the application was completed this week. This has allowed SORRB to hire an additional 4 PT Investigators and 2 PT Administrative Analysts.
- **Website – February 13<sup>th</sup> Release Date:** The new SORRB website goes live today. Richard shows the Board a quick overview and states he is thankful to the GTA team for making this an easy transition. He explains that SORRB staff has undergone training with GTA and will be able to make any necessary edits to the website as needed.
- **Database – Transition to GTA:** Richard states that SORRB has received some quotes regarding updates for the database and the transition to GTA but this will be placed on hold until the budget is finalized.
- **Next Board Meeting:** March 13, 2025 at 10:00

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## Investigator Report

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Chief Investigator, Russ Finley, states he is currently training more newly hired investigators. He explains that the investigators average cases closed per month is steadily increasing. Last month 126 cases were closed and so far in February 71 cases have been closed.

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## Clinical Evaluator Report

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Clinical Evaluator Supervisor, Amanda Aten, explains that although there have been many new clinical evaluators come onboard with SORRB over the past few months, they are responding well to training. Her goal is for the Board to see more cases from each evaluator every month moving forward.

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## Additional Discussion

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None.

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## Case Review – Discussion and Vote

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NOTE: cases are provided to the board members through the month prior to the board meeting, so the cases are read prior to the meeting. Each case is identified by number rather than name to increase objectivity. Any staff member or Board Member that has knowingly worked with the specific offender/court case has been recused and does not participate in the classification of that offender.

### LEVEL 1 CASES - 16 cases presented for vote

- Discussion: Bert Reeves expresses concern with case 4064. The offender was arrested 3 times before the sex offense for Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor which is predatory behavior. Bert requests more information such as police reports regarding these arrests.
- **Motion to approve pulling case 4064 for further review:** Bert Reeves; Seconded: James Chafin
- Recusals: Frank Mullis – 24834, 30042
- Motion to Approve: Katie Gropper; Seconded: Bert Reeves.
- Roll Call – Number For: 11/10 (for cases w/ recusals); Number Against: 0
- Conclusion: **Motion Carried to approve 15 Level 1 cases.**

### LEVEL 2 CASES – 55 cases presented for vote

- Resubmitted: 25529, 30542. Resubmitted by Committee: 26353
- Discussion: Mindy Ackerman explains case 26353 was pulled for Committee review and votes were split down the middle, 3 votes to remain a Level 2 and 3 votes to move up to SDP. Jim Morton, Robbie Frederick and Jerry Bruce all state concerns regarding the heinousness of the crime, noncompliance and continuing to deny the offense. Tracy does a roll call vote for case 26353 to remain a Level 2 or move up to an SDP.
- **Roll Call- Number for Level 2: 4** – Mindy Ackerman, Elizabeth Bigham, Ezell Brown, Lori Rozier; **Number for SDP: 7** – Jerry Bruce, James Chafin, Robbie Frederick, Katie Gropper, Jim Morton, Bert Reeves, Meghan Thurmond. **Case 26353 will be altered from Level 2 to SDP.**
- Discussion: Case 30542 was previously pulled for further review. Mindy Ackerman states concern with the length of time that the offender was committing the sex offenses against minor children, including one with a mental disability. There is also concern that the offender has not completed treatment and was found to have contact with minors and a person with a mental disability after release from prison. Elizabeth Bigham adds it is clear the offender targets a vulnerable population.
- **Motion to approve moving case 30542 to SDP level:** Mindy Ackerman; Seconded: Elizabeth Bigham
- **Roll Call (at this time Ezell Brown was no longer present)**– Number for: 8; Number Against: 1
- Recusals: Frank Mullis – 29304, 30550, 30777; Robbie Frederick – 29211; Mindy Ackerman – 21813
- **(at this time Katie Gropper leaves the meeting)**
- Motion to Approve: Elizabeth Bigham; Seconded: Lori Rozier.
- Roll Call – Number for: 9/8 (for cases w/ recusals); Number Against: 0
- Conclusion: **Motion Carried to approve 53 Level 2 cases.**

### SEXUALLY DANGEROUS PREDATORS (SDP) – 18 cases presented for vote in addition to the case moved to SDP (30542) for a total of 19 cases

- Discussion: None
- Recusals: Frank Mullis – 25073, 29556, 30371
- Motion to Approve: James Chafin; Seconded: Lori Rozier.
- Roll Call – Number for: 9/8 (for cases w/ recusals); Number Against: Case #30542 Jim Morton
- Conclusion: **Motion Carried to approve 19 Level SDP cases. (A total of 20 SDP cases overall when including case #26353)**

### REEVALUATION CASES – 4 cases presented for vote

- Discussion: None
- Recusals: None
- Motion to Approve: Jerry Bruce; Seconded: Elizabeth Bigham.
- Roll Call – Number for: 9; Number Against: 0
- Conclusion: **Motion Carried to approve 4 Reevaluation cases.**

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## **Additional Discussion**

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None.

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## **Next Meeting**

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March 13, 2025 @ 10:00am

The February 13, 2025 meeting was adjourned at 10:57am

R. Frank Mullis, Jr., Dcou, LPC  
Board Chairman



Tracy Alvord  
Executive Director

## SEXUAL OFFENDER RISK REVIEW BOARD

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### 16 LEVEL ONE CASES

<b>1</b>	<b>4064</b>	<b>1-CR-NC</b>	<b>KL</b>
<b>2</b>	12063	1	JLP
<b>3</b>	24695	1	KL
<b>4</b>	24834 FM RECUSED	1	BE
<b>5</b>	27685	1	JLP
<b>6</b>	27846	1	JC
<b>7</b>	27871	1	JB
<b>8</b>	29550	1	JB
<b>9</b>	29644	1	BE
<b>10</b>	30042 FM RECUSED	1	BE
<b>11</b>	30280	1	MA
<b>12</b>	30282	1	JLP
<b>13</b>	31895	1	YG
<b>14</b>	32342	1	KL
<b>15</b>	32355	1	KL
<b>16</b>	32459	1	KL

**55 LEVEL TWO CASES**

1	5363	2	BE		21	26058	2	JS		41	29255	2	KS
2	6498	2	JB		22	26238	2	JLP		42	29304 FM RECUSED	2	JC
3	10988	2	JC		23	26240	2	JP		43	29501	2	JS
4	11078	2	KS		24	26353 RESUBMIT COMMITTEE	2	JS		44	29792	2	MW
5	13874	2	JB		25	26393	2	BE		45	29918	2	JS
6	14294	2	DD		26	27052	2	MW		46	29950	2	YG
7	14654	2	JB		27	27183	2	JP		47	30072	2	JLP
8	16814	2	KL		28	27223	2	MA		48	30215	2	JP
9	19093	2	JB		29	27328	2	MA		49	30542 RESUBMIT	2	JB
10	20486	2	KL		30	27465	2	MA		50	30547	2	JB
11	21813	2	JP		31	27838	2	DD		51	30550 FM RECUSED	2	MA
12	22286	2	YG		32	27841	2	DD		52	30568	2	JB
13	22635	2	JS		33	27876	2	BE		53	30777 FM RECUSED	2	YG
14	22921	2	MW		34	27923	2	DD		54	32187	2	KL
15	24209	2	JS		35	27926	2	MW		55	32356	2	KL
16	24762	2	JS		36	27970	2	JC					
17	25285	2	JP		37	28018	2	MA					
18	25529 RESUBMIT	2	JP		38	28046	2	JS					
19	25779	2	JS		39	28130	2	JC					
20	25884	2	JC		40	29211 RF RECUSED	2	JP					

**18 SEXUALLY DANGEROUS PREDATOR CASES**

1	4640	SDP-RL-I	JS		10	24983	SDP	JC
2	6075	SDP	KL		11	25073 FM RECUSED	SDP	DD
3	7029	SDP	JC		12	25824	SDP	JP
4	7740	SDP	YG		13	27866	SDP	BE
5	11561	SDP	JC		14	29556 FM RECUSED	SDP	BE
6	11648	SDP	KL		15	30029	SDP	JLP
7	15127	SDP-RL-I	KL		16	30073	SDP	YG
8	20667	SDP	JP		17	30094	SDP	KL
9	21652	SDP	JC		18	30371 FM RECUSED	SDP	JS

**4 REEVALUATION CASES**

1	15526	2-R-NC	JP
2	23046	SDP-R-NC	JP
3	23307	2-R-NC	JC
4	31636	SDP-R-NC	JP

**CASE TOTALS**

LEVEL 1 CASE TOTAL	15
LEVEL 2 CASE TOTAL	53
SEXUALLY DANGEROUS PREDATOR CASE TOTAL	20
REVALUATION CASE TOTAL	4
<b>OVERAL TOTAL CLASSIFIED BY VOTE</b>	<b>92</b>
CASES CLASSIFIED AS A CANNOT LEVEL	7
TOTAL OVERALL CLASSIFIED 02/13/2025	99
<b>CASES REMOVED</b>	<b>4064, 26353 (leveled as SDP), 30542 (moved to SDP)</b>
<b>NEW TOTAL (BY VOTE)</b>	

**BOARD MEMBER VOTE**

	BOARD MEMBER	ATTENDED	1ST	2ND	LEVEL 1	1ST	2ND	LEVEL 2	1ST	2ND	SDP	1ST	2ND	REEVAL
1	Mindy Ackerman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	Elizabeth Bigham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	Ezell Brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Jerry Bruce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	James Chafin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Robbie Frederick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	Katie Gropper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Jim Morton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9	Frank Mullis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Bert Reeves	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	Lori Rozier	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	Meghan Thurmond	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<b>TOTAL PRESENT</b>	<b>11</b>			10/9			9/8			9/8			9

**\*7 is a quorum; 8 if there is a recusal**

<b>26353</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>SDP</b>
1	Mindy Ackerman	
2	Elizabeth Bigham	
3	Ezell Brown	
1		Jerry Bruce
2		James Chafin
3		Robbie Frederick
4		Katie Gropper
5		Jim Morton
6		Bert Reeves
4	Lori Rozier	
7		Meghan Thurmond