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AGENDA
June 12, 2009
9:00 a.m. to Noon

Holiday Inn Hotel
17338 International Blvd.
SeaTac, Washington

Attendees will be provided with a morning beverage and lunch.

9:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER - DISCUSSION
Dave Boerner, Chair

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - ACTION
May 8, 2009

III. SGC WORKPLAN: SENTENCING GRID – DISCUSSION
The Commission voted to look at the Sentencing grid as part of its workplan for 2009. Legislative staff and the Governor’s office have informed us that this idea may be discussed in a special legislative session which is expected to occur in late fall.

a. WSIPP researcher Steve Aos will present information on the cost-benefits of incarceration.

b. Staff will present some data on offenders with a score of 9 or above, and

c. Commissioners will begin their discussions.

IV. Executive Director’s Report - ACTION
a. Budget for FY 1010
   The commission will be briefed on a proposed budget.

b. Follow-up to Legislative Report
   Staff will advise the Commission about the effective date and other impacts of SB 5288 related to community custody.

c. Bylaws Approval
   In March, the SGC reviewed proposed modifications to the SGC Bylaws, which will now be adopted as a policy rather than through the state rulemaking process. The Commission asked staff to do further research before they decide whether to allow delegates to vote, and staff will report. The new Bylaws will not be brought before the Commission until a public comment period as expired.

d. National Association of Sentencing Commissions Annual Conference (August – Baltimore)
V. Preview: racial Disproportionality and Disparity—DISCUSSION
The SGC issues biennial racial disproportionality and disparity reports. Gerry Ring-Erickson, Interim Research Director, will preview some data and findings to the Commission.

VI. Lunch
Commissioners may continue their conversation during lunch.

VII. Adjournment