



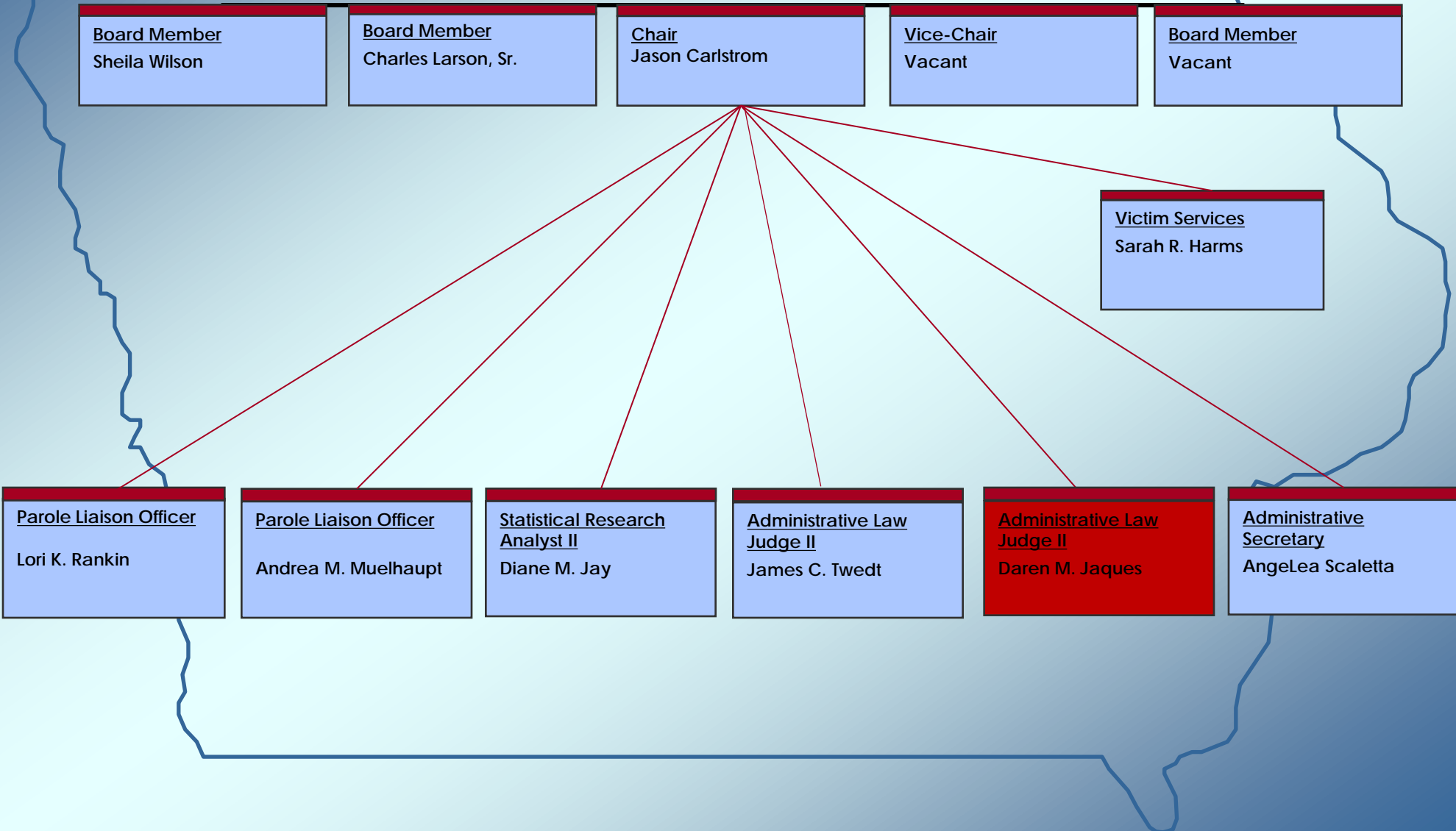
**Iowa Board of Parole**

**Presentation to the  
Justice System Appropriations  
Subcommittee**

**Jason Carlstrom, Chair**

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# Iowa Board of Parole Organizational Chart



# Alternate Board Members

- **Nancy Boyd**
- **Jacklyn Romp**
- **W. Ray Richardson**

# **Our Mission**

To enhance overall public safety by making evidence-based and informed parole decisions for the successful re-entry of offenders back into the community to become productive and responsible citizens.

# Our Goals

- Utilize evidence-based practices in the decision-making process
- Promote supervised release at the appropriate time
- Enhance a collaborative working relationship with all stakeholders in the criminal justice system
- Foster a deliberation system that respects the interest of the 1) public, 2) victims, and 3) offenders

# Our Goals

- Be fiscally responsible to the taxpayers of the State of Iowa
- Be vigilant in the acquisition of knowledge and process improvement
- Become a nationally recognized leader among paroling authorities

# Guiding Principles

- Pave the way for enhanced offender management
- Enhance public safety
- Improve coordination and communication with Department of Corrections and other stakeholders
- Improve decision-making and effectiveness

# Operations Update

- **Implemented new IBOP Risk Assessment Tool**
  - Enhances offender management, thereby enhancing reentry success
  - Paves the way for updating re-entry procedures
- **Implemented Representative Times to Serve**
  - Assists with communication between IBOP and IDOC
  - Evidence Based Practice



# Operations Update

- **Development and Rollout of ICON**  
**8/26/2013**
  - Real Time sharing of information with IDOC
  - Paved the way for re-engineering the screening process
  - Vastly improved responsiveness in screening process
  - Streamlines screening process

# ICON Improvements

<b>OLD (Paper) System</b>	<b>NEW (Paperless) System</b>
Annuals at many institutions every other month	Annuals at every institution every month
30 day lead time for release recommendations to IBOP	Less than 1 week lead time for release recommendations to IBOP
Information limited to BOP files and periodic synchronization	Information shared with IDOC—all information relating to an offender available immediately in real-time
Retrieval of paper file for review and information—Staff Time	All information available electronically from IBOP office or remote location
Average 15,500 pages through printer per month	Average 1,966 pages through printer per month

# Priority Projects

- Continuing Development of ICON
- Development of a “Track System” for release analysis
- Stakeholder dialogue

# Performance Summary

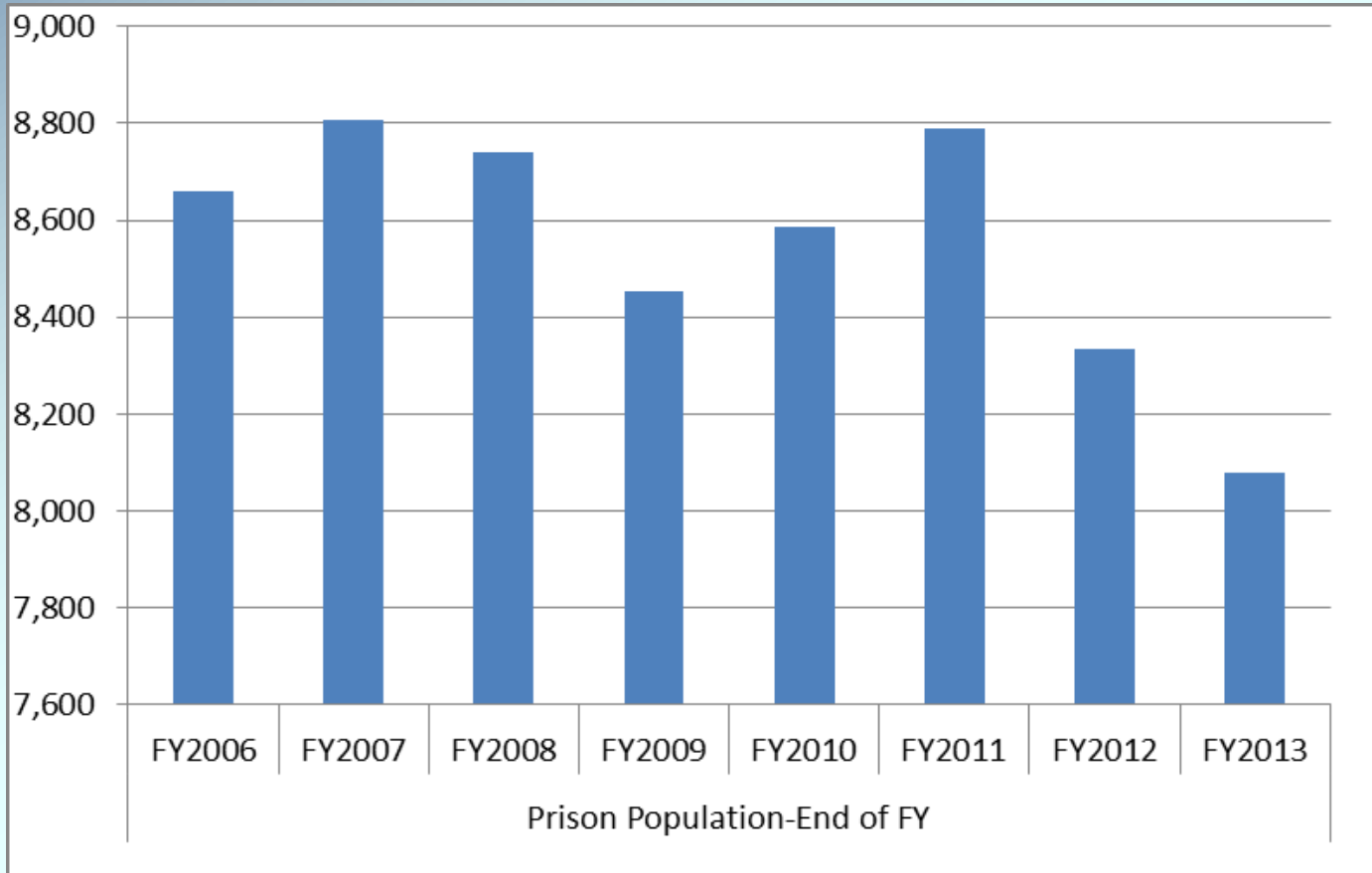
	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014 July – Dec
Paroles Granted	4,015	4,388*	2,311*
Work Release Granted	1,325	1,103	670

\*Special Sentence Included

# Recidivism

Six Month FY13	One year FY12 releases	3 Year FY10 releases
5.6% <i>Followed 6 Months</i>	13.7% <i>Followed 1 year</i>	30.3% <i>Followed 3 years</i>

# Prison Population



# Results

Decrease prison population without increasing recidivism by:

- Relying on evidence based practices
- Re-engineering the case review practices to enhance re-entry opportunities
- Wise use of Iowa's resources

# Out of State Travel

## ➤ FY2013

- Board Chair attended the Association of Paroling Authorities International (APAI) Annual Meeting in Rhode Island

## ➤ FY2014

- Board Chair and Members hoping to attend the Association of Paroling Authorities International (APAI) Annual Meeting in Colorado



# LOOKING AHEAD

- The Board looks forward to continuing its working relationship with the Department of Corrections to facilitate public safety
- A joint effort will be made to create a re-entry planning protocol focusing on evidence based practices, risk assessment tools and opportunity

# LOOKING AHEAD

- The Board will continue to work with stakeholders to improve the criminal justice system's response to criminal behavior.
- The Board will continue to develop and enhance the use of computer technology to manage information and the work of the Board.

# LOOKING AHEAD

- The Board will explore new programs being instituted or considered nationwide to reduce recidivism
- The Board will continue to improve and re-engineer its processes for efficiency and to respect the rights of all parties involved.



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Thanks to the Justice System Appropriations Subcommittee for the opportunity to present the IBOP's Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Request