

COURT EN BANC MINUTES

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

**Meeting was held in Law Library of Boone County Courthouse and
Jury Assembly Room of Callaway Justice Center**

Judges & Commissioners Present:

Brouck Jacobs, Jeff Harris, Stephanie Morrell, Josh Devine, Kimberly Shaw, Christopher Wilson, Sue Crane, Gretchen Yancey, Tracy Gonzalez, Kayla Jackson-Williams, Jayne Pearman, and Casey Clevenger.

Others Present:

Court Administrator Derek Hux, Boone County Circuit Clerk Sherry Terrell, Boone County Circuit Clerk Unit Manager Michelle Cecil, 13th Circuit Court Marshal Mike Franks, Boone County Sergeant Marshal Aaron Hopper, Boone County Prosecuting Attorney Roger Johnson, Boone County ACS Supervisor Diana Winn, Callaway County Prosecuting Attorney Sandra Colhour, Callaway County Circuit Clerk, Megan Morse, and Deputy Court Administrator Lana Brooks.

Guests:

All from the Missouri State Public Defender Office: Sarah Aplin, Kevin Lorenz, Manuel Tatayon, James Egan, Maleena Patel, Joshua Brown, Kaitlyn Bullard, and Ben Ellis.

1. Call to Order / Welcome

The meeting was called to order by Presiding Judge Josh Devine at 4:59 PM.

2. Introduction of All Guests

Guests were introduced.

3. Approval of April 8, 2025 Minutes

Judge Josh Devine asked if there were additions or corrections to the minutes of the prior meeting. Hearing no corrections, the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

4. Boone County Board of Jail Visitors

Judge Josh Devine explained that Republican member Beverly Freese is leaving the board, and there has been a suggestion to replace her with Republican Carolyn Woodward. After a brief discussion, Judge Jacobs made a motion, seconded by Judge Shaw, to approve Carolyn Woodward.

5. Budget Schedule

Court Administrator Derek Hux presented an anticipated schedule of important budget dates – the July meeting would be the budget presentation to the CEB, the week of July 7 would be the budget presentations with both county auditors, and the week of August 15 would be budget presentations to county commissioners in both counties. July 22 was chosen for the July CEB meeting.

6. Annual Report of Time Standards

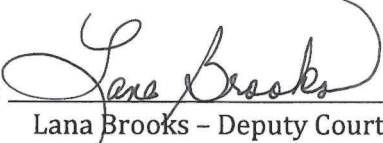
Court Administrator Derek Hux presented case processing time standards information relating to FY 2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024). The 13th Circuit met three of the ten case processing time standards, which is higher than last year, and the circuit met or exceeded the state average across all ten standards. Also, out of the top seven circuits in the state (21st, 16th, 11th, 31st, 22nd, 7th, and 23rd), the 13th is the only circuit that scored better than the state average in every category.

7. Moving Boone County Jail Inmates to Remote Jails

Several representatives from the Missouri State Public Defender's Office attended to express their concerns about inmates being housed out of county. The issues discussed included travel time, jail staffing challenges, jail visiting hours, the use of in-person versus video meetings, and difficulties with the court dockets. Judge Devine recommended that the Boone County Commission be informed of these concerns. Additionally, Judge Jackson-Williams and Judge Shaw expressed their willingness to participate in an internal work group if one is established.

8. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of Court En Banc will be on July 22, 2025 at 5PM.
Presiding Judge Josh Devine announced the meeting adjourned at 5:51PM.

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