INDETERMINATE SENTENCE REVIEW BOARD BOARD MEETING SUMMARY MINUTES

Monday, August 25, 2025

A regular meeting of the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board was held in the ISRB Office Building located at 637 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98504, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present were:

Board Members: Staff:

Kecia Rongen Leah Landon, Executive Director

Corey McNally Rebecca Torrence, Executive Assistant

Jeff Patnode Jill Getty

Meghan Kelly-Stallings

A. To the Table Case – Members had a full Board discussion of this ISRB case.

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- BARTHOLOMEW, Dwayne
- DOC #280766
- Purpose: Full Board Discussion
- Date: August 25, 2025
- List of Documents Reviewed
 - ISRB File
- An updated prosecutor recommendation was not received.
- Dwayne Bartholomew was seen for a .100 hearing on August 12, 2025 at the Monroe Correctional Complex – Twin Rivers Unit.

Summary Discussion

Mr. Patnode presented the case to the full Board.

 Dwayne Bartholomew is under the jurisdiction of the Board for their conviction of Aggravated Murder in the First Degree in Pierce County Cause 81-1-00579-1.

Dwayne Bartholomew entered a local laundromat to commit a robbery. He directed the lone employee to lie on the floor and asked him where the cash was. has always claimed that the gun accidentally went off. In fact, he said it

accidentally went off twice. The second shot lodged a bullet in the counter at the laundry mat. He was 20 years of age at the time of the crime and is currently 64 years of age.

Previous Criminal History:

Mr. Bartholomew's criminal history started at the age of 13 when he was incarcerated for Burglary and Criminal Trespass. Just a month prior to the murder conviction, Mr. Bartholomew was arrested for Simple Assault and Assault in the Third Degree, however, there is no disposition information available.

Risk assessments show him to be a low risk to re-offend.

Mr. Bartholomew's last serious infraction was in 2021, however, he has a significant record of 40+ years of drug use.

Mr. Bartholomew has recently completed Substance Use Disorder (SUD), Moral Reconation Therapy, Reentry Lifeskills, Roots of Success, Parallel Community and other offender change programs.

Mr. Bartholomew would like to release to Oregon to live with his sister.

Decision:

The panel recommends Mr. Bartholomew not be released and 60 months to be added to his Minimum Term.

Reasons:

- Mr. Bartholomew's description of the index offense differs from the facts captured in file material. He has stated he didn't intend to harm the victim when file material indicates he intended to "leave no witnesses" and the firearm functions in a way that does not support his claim that it accidently discharged two separate times. This discrepancy calls into question whether he has targeted the relevant risks in his treatment programming.
- He has an extensive history of substance use and admits it was a significant factor in his index crime, and he has used them steadily throughout most of his prison stay. He did not participate in drug treatment until 2023. He most recently tested positive for drugs in 2022 when he was awaiting resentencing in Pierce County. He apparently overdosed on opiates and was transported to the hospital.
 Mr. Bartholomew denies willingly consuming drugs but admits he did

have drugs in his system because he agreed to "hold" fentanyl and methamphetamines for another jail inmate. This was accomplished by placing balloons containing these drugs in his rectum. One of the balloons broke or leaked the drugs into his system. For this to occur while he is in jail awaiting resentencing is concerning. He demonstrated extremely poor judgment overall and accepted little responsibility for his decision to do this. It would appear his antisocial tendencies remain an issue. Whether he brought the drugs into the jail with him or agreed to hold them for someone else is unknown.

- When asked about the impacts of his crime, his responses centered on him and did not appear to convey any empathy for the victim or survivors of the murder.
- Though the most recent psychological evaluation is somewhat favorable ("probably a reasonable candidate to be considered to a release to lower levels of custody"), PhD Robtoy indicates that "It remains difficult to say with certainty whether Mr. Bartholomew possesses the skills and maturity necessary to transition safely and effectively to the community. He has lived nearly his entire adult life in the structured prison system, and up until approximately 4-5 years ago, has had an active problem related to chemical dependency."
- Mr. Bartholomew has not refrained from abuse of substances long enough to demonstrate he is a fully rehabilitated and fit subject for release.

Recommendations:

- Mental Health Treatment (including any prescribed medications), if eligible.
- Sober Support Groups.
- Other Programs, if eligible. Such as: Thinking for a Change, Redemption, Bridges to Life, Alternatives to Violence, Domestic Violence Treatment.
- Remain infraction free and have positive interactions with staff.
- Participate in the next Hearing.
- Develop a release plan/community support.
- Participate in any programs designed to impact victim empathy and or understanding crime impacts

• Next Action:

• Schedule a .100 Hearing approximately 120 days prior to Parole Eligibility Review Date Parole Eligibility Review Date (PERD).

• Vote:

Jeff Patnode Agree with recommendation
Kecia Rongen Agree with recommendation
Corey McNally Agree with recommendation
Jill Getty Agree with recommendation
Meghan Kelly-Stallings Agree with recommendation