



STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES
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Ed Ligtenberg, *Executive Director*

Dave Nelson, Chair

Kay F. Nikolas, Vice Chair

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James P. Smith - Patricia Meyers - Keith Bonenberger

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Dave Nelson elected chairman of Board of Pardons and Paroles

(Pierre)- Dave Nelson of Sioux Falls was elected as the chairman of the Board of Pardons and Paroles during the Board's meeting April 14th.

Nelson succeeds Denny Kaemingk of Mitchell, who was recently appointed as Secretary of Corrections. Kay Nikolas of Sisseton was elected to serve as vice-chair.

The Board of Pardons and Paroles conducts hearings and takes action on inmate petitions for parole and makes recommendations to the Governor on requests for clemency. The Board is administered under the jurisdiction and direction of the Department of Corrections but retains quasi-judicial, quasi-legislative, advisory and other non-administrative functions independent of the Department of Corrections.

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Broadcasters: Kaemingk is pronounced KAY'-mingk