

MONTANA PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION  
**STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Yogo Inn, Lewistown, Montana

**Minutes**

October 10, 2008

*(Approved at the January 9, 2009 Commission Meeting)*

**Call to Order**

The meeting of the Standards Committee was called to order at 9:20 a.m. by Committee Chair Steve Nardi.

**Commissioners Present**

Steve Nardi, Majel Russell, Ken Olson

**Other Interested Parties**

Randi Hood, Chief Public Defender

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the July 17, 2008 meeting were approved as submitted.

**Final Review of Caseload Management Tool (exhibit S-1)**

Having reached the end of the test period, Chief Hood intends to propose changes in the case weighting at the next meeting of the Labor Management Committee. Civil commitments and DNAs may be too high. She also proposes looking at weighting felonies in two or three different categories.

Commissioner Nardi noted that the amount of time spent on a particular type of case is somewhat dependent on location. Chief Hood agreed and said that the weighting may be slightly different from region to region.

**Post Conviction Proceedings Standard**

Commissioner Nardi is satisfied with the revised standard and will forward it to the Commission as a whole for review and approval.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment

**Old Business/New Business**

There was no additional business.

**Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.