

New CDCR Secretary and Chair of the Prison Industry Board

On December 28, 2015, Governor Brown appointed Scott Kernan as the new Secretary of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). As Secretary, he will also serve as the Chairman of the Prison Industry Board (PIB). Kernan replaces Jeffrey Beard who departed.

"I have always had a respect for the work that California Prison Industry Authority does, both in the way of rehabilitative programs and the work that they do with prison to make it a safer place," said Kernan, who chaired his first PIB meeting on January 28, 2016.

The PIB oversees CALPIA operations and consists of 11 members, including 8 appointees from the Governor, Senate and Assembly. It sets general policy for CALPIA and oversees the performance of existing CALPIA industries as well as the performance of the CALPIA General Manager.

Secretary Kernan served as CDCR Undersecretary for Operations from March to December 2015. He was owner at Kernan Consulting from 2011 to 2015. He served as Undersecretary for Operations at CDCR from 2008 to 2011. He was Chief Deputy Secretary of Adult Operations from 2007 to 2008 and Deputy Director of Adult Institutions from 2006 to 2007.



His prior experience includes serving as Warden at California State Prison, Sacramento, Warden at Mule Creek State Prison, Chief Deputy Warden, Correctional Administrator, Captain, Lieutenant, Associate Budget Analyst, Sergeant and a Correctional Officer from 1983 to 1985. Secretary Kernan also served in the U.S. Navy from 1979 to 1982.

New CDCR Secretary Scott Kernan leads Prison Industry Board Meeting.



Facebook Founder Mark Zuckerberg Tours CALPIA at San Quentin



Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg and his wife, Dr. Priscilla Chan walk inside San Quentin State Prison.



CALPIA's General Manager Chuck Pattillo tours Zuckerberg around CALPIA programs.

On October 13, 2015, Facebook founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg toured the Code.7370 program at San Quentin State Prison.

Zuckerberg and his wife, Dr. Priscilla Chan, joined Warden Ron Davis, Prison Industry Board Vice-Chair Darshan Singh, and CALPIA's General Manager Chuck Pattillo for a tour around the prison and coding program.

Code.7370 is a nationally recognized program which teaches offenders coding skills without internet access.

"The real-world job experience this computer coding class provides is beneficial to offenders and the general public," said Pattillo. "If a person can leave prison, get a job and not come back, it saves taxpayers' money and keeps communities safer."

"You know that's how I got started — coding," Zuckerberg told offenders.

Zuckerberg met and talked with offenders from the Code.7370 program. After observing offender projects, he wanted to know how the class was taught, what they were learning and

how many hours a day they spent coding.

"It's special when you can have an innovator come inside a world that is disconnected from most innovations to learn about our community and effort to rehabilitate people... it's extraordinary. As one of the most accomplished visionaries of our time, I am sure his interest in public safety and criminal justice issues will spark broader conversations and solutions to benefit all," said Warden Davis.



Zuckerberg meets Code.7370 participants.

Preparing Women for Success in Mechanical Drafting, Engineering & Architecture



Graduates and staff of CALPIA's AutoDesk Authorized Training program.



Monica Oliva graduates with AutoCAD, Inventor and Revit certificates.

Eighteen female offenders graduated from CALPIA's AutoDesk Authorized Training program at Green Valley Training Center on November 19. Graduates from the Folsom Women's Facility were enrolled in the program which provides training in AutoCAD (Computer-Aided Design), AutoDesk Revit and Autodesk Inventor.

"The certifications the women receive in this program will help them get jobs in architectural, mechanical and/or engineering fields," said Rusty Bechtold, Work Force Development Branch Administra-

tor. "We want offenders to get jobs and be successful when they leave prison; we don't want them to return."

This program is the only authorized AutoDesk Training Center housed at a correctional facility. Course participants are required to have some computer experience, math skills, and a general education (GED) certificate, at minimum. AutoCAD and Inventor are a combined curriculum that takes approximately six months to complete. AutoDesk Revit alone requires a six-month-long curriculum.



High-Profile Graduation for CALPIA's Code.7370 Program

More than 150 guests, including MC Hammer, turned out for CALPIA's Code.7370 graduation at San Quentin State Prison. Thirteen offenders graduated from the renowned computer coding program, the first-of-its-kind in the nation, where offenders learn computer coding skills in order to become more employable when they leave prison.

The program is managed through CALPIA in collaboration with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and The Last Mile. The program's curriculum simulates a live-coding environment without Internet ac-

cess. Silicon Valley's technology business community developed the course syllabus and helps administer the instruction.

The Last Mile also held Demo Day, where offenders demonstrated their apps to the Silicon Valley business community. MC Hammer provided words of encouragement as the keynote speaker. Other speakers included: CALPIA's General Manager Chuck Pattillo, Warden Ron Davis, Acting Director of CDCR's Division of Rehabilitative Programs Brant Choate, and The Last Mile Co-Founders Chris Redlitz and Beverly Parenti.



MC Hammer participates in CALPIA's graduation and Demo Day.



Aly Tamboura waits to be recognized.



Beverly Parenti, Chris Redlitz, Chris Schuhmacher, Warden Ron Davis and Brant Choate.



Offenders show off their projects.

Joint Venture Victim Restitution



Offenders at Central California Women's Facility donate money.



Offenders at San Quentin donate money.

In October 2015, offenders in the Joint Venture and Free Venture Programs gave back to various crime victims' support groups. More than \$71,000 was distributed to groups throughout California. These are the institutions that donated:

Central California Women's Facility in Chowchilla - Offenders in the Joint Venture Program, Allwire, Inc. donated \$48,298.45 to Mollie's House, the Commu-

nity Action Partnership of Madera County, and Merced Co. DA's Victim/Witness Assistance.

San Quentin State Prison - Offenders in the Joint Venture Program, Labcon donated \$11,102.27 to the Center for Domestic Peace, Marin Advocates for Children, and Jeannette Prandi Children's Center.

N.A. Chaderjian Youth Correctional Facility in Stockton - Through Merit Part-

ners, offenders donated \$9,110.52 to the San Joaquin County District Attorney Victim/Witness Program.

California Correctional Center in Susanville - Offenders in the Joint Venture Program, Five Dot Land and Cattle Company, donated \$3,075.62 to the Lassen County Victim/Witness Assistance Center.

Our Promise Campaign

CALPIA kicked off the "Our Promise" Campaign, which allows for state employees to give to a variety of charities. Representatives from local non-profit organizations including Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Greater Sacramento spoke at the event which was held at CALPIA's Central Office.



CALPIA's General Manager Chuck Pattillo kicks off the Our Promise campaign.



Don Ring speaks about Folsom Project for the Visually Impaired.



Rhonda Staley-Brooks, President and CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sacramento, with Chuck Pattillo.



Sasha Wirth, Director of Development at Saint John's Program for Real Change speaks to staff.

CALPIA's Annual Golf Benefit 2015



On September 11, 2015, CALPIA hosted its Annual Golf Benefit supporting Saint John's Program for Real Change, Folsom Project for the Visually Impaired and the Moral Values Program of Sacramento.

Approximately 120 golfers participated in the early morning tournament at the Empire Ranch Golf Club in Folsom.

Before golfers hit the green, The Folsom Veterans of Foreign Wars Color Guard presented the colors and offered a moment of silence for the victims of September 11. The patriotic event brought many golfers together with a tri-tip luncheon and a live auction after a morning of golf. The benefit raised over \$20,000 for the charitable organizations.



First Construction Laborers Graduation at San Quentin

On August 6, 2015, the first graduation for the Pre-Apprentice Construction Laborers program was held at San Quentin State Prison. This program is part of CALPIA's Career Technical Education (CTE) program, which has a cumulative

recidivism rate of 7.13%.

On a stage built by the eight graduates, correctional staff recognized each one for completing the program and praised two offenders in particular who exceeded program expectations.

After parole, program graduates have the opportunity to apply for positions with local labor unions. If hired, the CTE program pays their first year of union dues and provides them with a set of tools necessary for work.



CALPIA at the State Fair



CALPIA staff members Quen Ha and Jimmy Ngo talk with fair attendees.

In July 2015, CALPIA had a presence at the California State Fair to increase public awareness. The booth displayed old and new license plates including the black and gold "legacy plates", wildfire gear, and other CALPIA products. Booth volunteers also provided employment opportunity information for CALPIA's HFM program and CDCR's peace officer positions.



CALPIA staff Dennette Somer talks with fair attendees.

Showroom Grand Opening

CALPIA has a new showroom and it's open for business. The showroom located in downtown Sacramento, displays new products and features for CALPIA customers. The new space boasts more than 4,000 square feet of sales floor, a 1,200 square foot conference facility and free parking. Products on display include furniture, optical wear and push-bumpers for CHP vehicles.

"We are pleased this showroom is now accessible to assist customers' needs and to display CALPIA's quality products," said Ray Meek, CALPIA's Assistant General Manager of Marketing and Sales. "The location is convenient and just a few blocks away from CDCR headquarters. We welcome employees to check it out."

CALPIA sales representatives are available at the showroom to fit anyone for a custom chair, assist with modular furniture planning and answer any other questions.

The showroom is located at 2125 19th Street and is open weekdays 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.



Transformation at Central Office



Eleven female offenders built a new walkway surrounding CALPIA's Business Services Section (BSS) building. Site work for the building began in 2014 with 46 offenders working in construction and 18 offenders working in installation.

Construction Supervisors Don Nelson and Jaime Colombo took on the project with the help of the female offenders from the Career Technical Education (CTE) Laborers and Carpentry programs.

The project took about six weeks to complete. The perimeter walkway is just the beginning of a massive project for remodeling Central Office's two parking lots.



Honoring Employees of the Year

Every year, CALPIA recognizes their exceptional employees for their hard work. Here are this year's winners of Employee of the Year - Congratulations!

Employee of the Year, Field

Teresa Malcom, Industrial Warehouse and Distribution Specialist, Avenal State Prison. Teresa has worked for the State of California for over 23 years. She oversees the day-to-day operations of the Modular Systems Furniture Warehouse and ensures each and every part runs smoothly and efficiently. She is conscientious and professional and has an exceptional work ethic.



Supervisor of the Year, Field

Sandra O'Donnell, Industrial Warehouse and Distribution Manager I, Calipatria State Prison. Sandra is a 24+ veteran of CALPIA. She demonstrates great leadership, maintains a high work standard and is a team player who has earned the respect of her entire team. Sandra exercises a high degree of initiative in the performance of her duties.



Correctional Officer of the Year, CALPIA Enterprises

Leonard Pomfret, Correctional Officer, California Institution for Men (CIM). Leonard has displayed a level of professionalism that sets a standard for safety and security in his assignment at CIM's Facility D. He maintains excellent rapport and communication with CALPIA staff members.



Employee of the Year, Central Office

Carole Jones, Office Technician, Human Resources Unit. Carole is always professional, courteous, and helpful. She demonstrates admirable customer service to all seeking help and boosts the morale of her department with encouragement and an overall optimistic demeanor. She has been a fantastic part of our team.



Supervisor of the Year, Central Office

Scott Perkins, Branch Manager, Operations. Scott demonstrates dedication and commitment to his role, his colleagues, and to the staff he supervises. Scott values his employees and consistently looks for ways to enhance their skills and abilities in an effort to shape them into tomorrow's supervisors. He has been with CALPIA for 6 years.



Warden of the Year, CDCR Prison Facilities

Elvin "Val" Valenzuela, Warden, California Men's Colony. Warden Valenzuela served in multiple positions at the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation since 1987 and was recognized as Warden of the Year before his retirement in Fall 2015. He was a CALPIA advocate throughout his career and was dedicated to providing programming to inmates. Elvin partnered with CALPIA on many occasions.

