# INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committee

Minutes
July 9, 2019
2:00 p.m. ET
Teleconference



# **Commissioners/Designees in Attendance:**

- 1. Peter Sprengelmeyer (OR), Chair
- 2. Trissie Casanova (VT), Vice Chair
- 3. Agnes Denson (FL), Commissioner
- 4. Anne Connor (ID), Designee
- 5. Jeff Cowger (KS), Commissioner
- 6. Nate Lawson (OH), Commissioner
- 7. Felicia Dauway (SC), Designee
- 8. Jedd Pelander (WA), Commissioner
- 9. Maureen Clifton (WY), Commissioner

# **Commissioners/Designees in Not Attendance:**

- 1. Sherry Jones (MD), Commissioner
- 2. Sheila Poole (NY), Commissioner
- 3. Cathlyn Smith (TN), Commissioner

## **Non-Voting Committee Members in Attendance:**

- 1. Mike Casey (DE)
- 2. Tracy Bradley (FL)
- 3. Holly Kassube (IL)
- 4. Anna Butler (KY)
- 5. Jessica Wald (ND)
- 6. Gladys Olivares (NV)
- 7. Carol Watson (Ex-officio FBI)

#### **ICJ Staff in Attendance:**

- 1. Marylee Underwood, Executive Director
- 2. Emma Goode, Administrative and Training Specialist
- 3. Leslie Anderson, Administrative and Logistics Coordinator

#### Call to Order

Chair P. Sprengelmeyer (OR) called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. ET.

#### Roll Call

Executive Director Underwood called the roll and a quorum was established.

## Agenda

A. Connor (ID) made a motion to approve the agenda. J. Pelander (WA) seconded. The motion carried.

## **Minutes**

M. Clifton (WY) made a motion to approve the May 14, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. N. Lawson (OH) seconded. A. Connor (ID) abstained. The motion carried.

## **Discussion**

# "Key Concepts in Human Trafficking" and "ICJ Human Trafficking Flow Chart"

- Chair P. Sprengelmeyer (OR) thanked H. Kassube (IL) for her work on the documents. The floor was opened for discussion of the "Key Concepts" document.
- J. Pelander (WA) suggested amendments to two definition in the "Glossary Terms". The phase "(working definition)" was removed from definition of Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) and "anything of value" was added to the definition of Survival Sex.
- Executive Director Underwood suggested edits to claify that Human Trafficking is compromised of both Sex Trafficking and Labor Trafficking, and provided citations for the sections of the federal definitions of each for clarity. The committee agreed with the suggested edits.
- J. Pelander (WA) suggested editing section "<u>III. Risk Factors for Children who are Trafficked for Sex</u>" by amending the location of some of the factors listed to reflect high priority factors at the top. He also suggested the removal of the term "Throwaway."
- A. Connor (ID) suggested changing the title of section "<u>IV. Best Practices</u>" to "<u>IV. Identifying and Working with Trafficked Youth: Tips and Tools</u>" to better describe the content included in that section of the document.
- The committee discussed that this section needed to include information on the OJJDP exemption as it pertains to detention and clearly outline both the concerns and disadvantages of detention, the advantages of detention and focus on providing alternative, less restrictive placement options.
- The committee agreed that the full resource links placed throughout the document should be moved to the foot notes.
- T. Casanova (VT) and H. Kassube (IL) volunteered to review the amended document and perform a final review by the end of the week.
- Chair P. Springlemeyer (OR) presented the "Human Trafficking Flow Chart" to the committee and opened the floor for discussion.
- N. Lawson (OH) suggested one edit be made to the flow chart for suspected trafficking. The committee agreed and amended the second box to reflect that law enforcement and child services agencies be contacted in both states.
- J. Pelander (WA) made a motion to merge the "<u>Human Trafficking Flow Chart</u>" and the "<u>Key Concepts in Human Trafficking</u>" documents into a single document, approve the document as amended to be presented to the Executive Committee for review and approval. M. Clifton (WY) seconded. The motion carried.

# "Guidelines for State ICJOs Responding to Human Trafficking"

• Chair P. Sprengelmeyer (OR) presented the document to the committee for discussion. No discussion was held due to time constraints.

## Recommendation: Ad hoc Committee for FY20

• Chair P. Sprengelmeyer (OR) reported that the recommendations had been presented to the Executive Committee.

#### **Old Business**

No Old Business to report.

## **New Business**

No New Business to report.

#### **Adjourn**

Chair P. Sprengelmeyer (OR) adjourned the meeting by acclimation at 3:11 p.m. ET.