

# INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES



## Midwest Region Meeting

### *Minutes*

May 30, 2019

2:00 p.m. ET

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### **Commissioners in Attendance:**

1. Charles Frieberg (SD), Representative
2. Jeff Cowger (KS), Commissioner
3. Roy Yaple (MI), Commissioner
4. Tracy Hudrlik (MN), Commissioner
5. Jacey Rader (NE), Commissioner
6. Jessica Wald (ND), Designee
7. Nate Lawson (OH), Commissioner
8. Casey Gerber (WI), Commissioner

### **Commissioners Not in Attendance:**

1. Tomiko Frierson (IL), Commissioner
2. Mary Kay Hudson (IN), Commissioner
3. Mike Rempe (IA), Commissioner

### **Compact Office Staff in Attendance:**

1. Holly Kassube (IL)
2. Nita Wright (IN)
3. Liz Wilson (KS)
4. Michael Tymkew (MI)
5. Abbie Christian (NE)
6. Kathy Christenson (SD)
7. Joy Swantz (WI)
8. Rebecca Hillestead (MN)

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

1. Mary Lee Underwood, Executive Director
2. Jennifer Adkins, Operations and Policy Specialist
3. Emma Goode, Training and Administrative Specialist
4. Leslie Anderson, Logistics and Administrative Coordinator
5. Joe Johnson, Systems Project Manager

### **Call to Order**

Representative C. Frieberg (SD) called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. ET.

### **Roll Call**

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

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## **Welcome of New National Office Personnel**

- Representative C. Frieberg (SD) welcomed Joe Johnson, the new Systems Project Manager, to the region.
- J. Johnson provided a brief introduction about his previous experience, knowledge and intended contributions to bring to the Commission especially regarding the work around the new data system.

## **Agenda**

**R. Yaple (MI) made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. T. Hudrlik (MN) seconded. The motion carried.**

## **Minutes**

**T. Hudrlik (MN) made a motion to approve the minutes as amended from February 14, 2019. N. Lawson (OH) seconded. The motion carried.**

## **Discussion**

### **○ Executive Committee Updates**

- Representative C. Frieberg (SD) requested Executive Director Underwood present the Executive Committee updates.
- Executive Director Underwood provided the following updates:
  - Four new Commissioners have been appointed since the last region meeting.
  - The national office is continuing its collaboration with the FBI CJIS Division to assist in gaining knowledge on the use of NCIC and it's potential to more effectively assist ICJ in meeting its purpose. Kim Lough (FBI CJIS) will be presenting on Wednesday afternoon at the 2019 ABM to discuss the NCIC program, possibilities of access to the system for entry or data retrieval by ICJ staff on ICJ cases and answer any questions. The national office is currently developing a survey to present to the Commission to gain basic information regarding how each state currently utilizes the system, has access to the information to assist K. Lough with development of her ABM presentation.
  - Derek Young, the facilitator that assisted the Executive Committee with the development of the Strategic Plan, will also be presenting on the topic of Strategic Service Leadership on Wednesday at the 2019 ABM.
  - The 2020 ABM will be held in Burlington, VT on October 19-21, 2020.
  - Two Advisory Opinions have been published and posted on the website. Advisory Opinion 02-2019, addressing the issue brought forth by the state of Maine regarding a state's obligation to inform a juvenile that he/she may not be returned to the home state and whether the Form III may be withdrawn. Advisory Opinion 01-2019 regarding ICJ Rule 6-102 regarding whether in the absence of a warrant is a state authorized to hold a juvenile.

- Executive Director Underwood thanked the Commission for their participation in the Strategic Plan survey. The Executive Committee developed four (4) Strategic Priorities; Leveraging Relationships to Promote Awareness and Improve Outcomes, Promoting Member Engagement and Leadership Development, Addressing Gaps in Rules and Resources with Input from Juveniles, Families and Field Staff and Improving the Data System for better Outcomes. Each priority has numerous initiatives that will be presented to the Commission at the 2019 ABM.
  - The Finance Committee approved amendments to the FY20 budget and developed a proposed budget for FY21 to be presented at the 2019 ABM. The committee also discussed current and future plans of the Long-Term Investment funds to be utilized to fund the current and future developments of the new data system.
  - The Information Technology Committee's RFP Team is currently reviewing six (6) viable vendor proposals in preparation for their next face-to-face meeting on June 11-12, 2019 in Alexandria, VA. Several JIDS enhancements were made to workflows and are currently in use. The committee also reviewed and approved amended language to the JIDS Guideline 01-2013: Expunging Juvenile Records.
  - Executive Director Underwood thanked R. Yapple (MI), A. Christian (NE) and J. Wald (ND) for their work as trainers in the Rules and JIDS Trainings that has been beneficial to the Commission as a whole. The Training, Education and Public Relations Committee continues to prepare scenarios and presentations for the 2019 ABM Tuesday training session. A TSA representative and a security transport representative have been confirmed for the panel discussion on Tuesday. The Committee also hosted an ICJ booth and presentation at the NCJFCJ Conference in Las Vegas, NV and due to the overwhelming response, they received an invitation to participate in the NCJFCJ Institute for New Juvenile and Family Court Judges in Reno, NV to present on behalf of the Commission again. The Committee was also tasked by the Executive Committee to develop a Mentoring Program Policy to assist individuals and states in leadership development opportunities. The draft policy is to be presented to the Executive Committee for review and approval at their next meeting.
  - The Human Trafficking Committee is working to finalize a "Key Concepts in Human Trafficking" resource document. The committee developed a Purpose Statement for FY19 and recommended the Ad Hoc Committee be formed again in FY20 to work towards a resource document for "Guidelines for State ICJOs Responding to Human Trafficking."
- Chair J. Rader (NE) reported the Compliance Committee approved proposed amendments to clarify the Compliance Policies *ICJ 2009-03: Guidelines for Compliance*, *ICJ 2009-02: Compliance Enforcement Investigation Process* and *ICJ 2009-01: Compliance Enforcement*

*Investigation Allegation.* All states from the First Quarter performance measurement assessment (PMA) that required Corrective Action Plans (CAPs) have been received, reviewed and approved or returned by the committee. The Second Quarter PMA results and the Sanctioning Guidelines Policy will be reviewed at the next meeting. A State Council Report has been created to assist the committee in collaboration with the Training Committee to provide resources and training to assist states with the development and operation of their State Councils. There is also a rule proposal to be presented at the 2019 Annual Business Meeting for adoption of ICJ Rule 2-107: State Councils to provide further direction to states regarding State Councils.

- Chair J. Cowger (KS) reported the Rules Committee will be presenting seventeen (17) proposals to the Commission this year. He reminded the region members that the thirty (30) day comment period ends May 31, 2019. The committee is scheduled to meet face-to-face on June 5, 2019 in Lexington, KY to review the comments, review the proposals and format them for presentation at the 2019 ABM.
- **Addressing Detention of ICJ Juveniles in JDAI Jurisdictions**
  - M. Hudson (IN) was unavailable for the meeting and unable to present her concerns for discussion. Representative C. Frieberg (SD) tabled the topic for discussion at the next region meeting.
- **Comment period for Proposed Amendments to Rules ends 5/31/19**
  - Representative C. Frieberg (SD) reminded the region members that the deadline for the comment period on proposed rule amendments ends on May 31, 2019.
- **State Updates/Concerns**
  - H. Kassube (IL) reported that Illinois had been providing targeted JIDS trainings locally as needed.
  - R. Yapple (MI) reported that Michigan attended the AAICPC Annual Business Meeting in Indianapolis and presented in the absence of the scheduled presenter regarding training and resources for use with joint ICPC and ICJ cases.
  - T. Hudrlik (MN) reported that Minnesota recently held their State Council meeting, and reviewed the current rules proposals and is in support of the majority of the proposals.
  - A. Christian (NE) reported that an annual statewide Rules training had been conducted in April for all ICJ field staff. They have been invited to present about the ICJ at the statewide Judges Conference at the end of June 2019. The State Council meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2019 to discuss the rules proposals.
  - J. Wald (ND) reported she had conducted a training on ICJ Rules at the North Dakota State Attorneys Winter Conference. North Dakota is currently in the process of preparing training materials to begin providing a similar statewide training on ICJ Rules to the state defense attorneys.

## **Old Business**

### **○ ICJ Airport Surveillance**

- Representative C. Frieberg (SD) reported that at the Executive Committee face-to-face meeting he discussed with fellow region representatives the suggestion made by R. Yapple (MI) to allow states that provide ICJ surveillance service to other states to receive reimbursement in the form of a dues credit, based on the number of surveillances conducted by that state.
- The region representatives discussed potential issues with tracking, accounting issues, if this is a regional issue or national issue and the potential need for amendments to ICJ Rules and By-laws. The region representatives agreed that no changes were warranted in the current process. Representative C. Frieberg (SD) opened the floor for discussion.
- R. Yapple (MI) expressed his appreciation for the region representatives consideration of the suggestion and agreed that until changes are warranted that further discussion regarding this topic should be closed at this time.

### **○ Standardized Reporting Form for Runaways/AWOL Returns**

- Representative C. Frieberg (SD) reported that at the Executive Committee face-to-face meeting he discussed with fellow region representatives the suggestion made by J. Swantz (WI) to utilize a standardized form for reporting runaways/AWOL returns to expedite and streamline the returns.
- The region representatives discussed the suggestion and most advised that each state has already developed and was utilizing a form for reporting runaways/AWOL returns and agreed that no changes were warranted in the current process. Representative C. Frieberg (SD) opened the floor for discussion.
- J. Swantz (WI) accepted the region representatives decision on the topic.

## **New Business**

### **○ Holding Runaways Accountable**

- Representative C. Frieberg (SD) turned to floor over to R. Yapple (MI) to present the topic for discussion.
- R. Yapple (MI) requested information regarding any states that had developed an effective corrective action plan or remedial steps in regards to returns of non-delinquent runaways.
- Representative C. Frieberg (SD) stated that there is a lack of legal authority regarding non-delinquent runaways and that authority usually resides with the legal guardian.
- N. Lawson (OH) reported that Ohio engages child services to assist in mediation and resources for the family and juvenile to avoid future attempts to flee.

## **Adjourn**

**Representative Frieberg adjourned the meeting by acclamation at 2:50 p.m. ET.**