

INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES
South Region Meeting

Minutes

July 11, 2019

2:00 PM ET

Via WebEx



Commissioners/Designees in Attendance:

1. Traci Marchand (NC), Commissioner
2. Patrick Pendergast (AL), Designee
3. Judy Miller (AR), Designee
4. Jefferson Regis (DC), Commissioner
5. Agnes Denson (FL), Commissioner
6. Amy Welch (KY), Commissioner
7. Angela Bridgewater (LA), Commissioner
8. Sherry Jones (MD), Commissioner
9. Julie Hawkins (MO), Commissioner
10. Maxine Baggett (MS), Designee
11. Robert Hendryx (OK), Designee
12. Felicia Dauway (SC), Designee
13. Cathlyn Smith (TN), Commissioner
14. Daryl Liedecke (TX), Commissioner
15. Natalie Dalton (VA), Commissioner
16. Randall Wagner (WV), Designee

Commissioners/Designees not in Attendance:

1. Avery Niles (GA), Commissioner

Compact Staff and Guests in Attendance:

1. Kaki Sanford (AL)
2. Tracy Bradley (FL)
3. Brodean Shepherd (FL)
4. Tracy Cassell (GA)
5. Stephen Horton (NC)
6. Rachel Johnson (NC)
7. Corrie Copeland (TN)

National Office Staff in Attendance:

1. MaryLee Underwood, Executive Director
2. Jenny Adkins, Operations and Policy Specialist
3. Emma Goode, Training and Administrative Specialist
4. Leslie Anderson, Logistics and Administrative Coordinator
5. Joe Johnson, Systems Program Manager

Call to Order

T. Marchand (NC) called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. ET.

Roll Call

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

Agenda

P. Pendergast (AL) made a motion to approve the agenda. A. Denson (FL) seconded. The motion carried.

Minutes

J. Miller (AR) made a motion to approve the April 9, 2019 meeting minutes. R. Hendryx (OK) seconded. The motion carried.

Discussion

Executive Committee Update

Representative T. Marchand (NC) reported the following updates:

- Welcomed Joe Johnson, the new Systems Project Manager for the Commission.
 - Work continues on the Strategic Plan that will be presented in September at the 2019 Annual Business Meeting.
 - The Compliance Committee recommended amendments to three compliance related policies (*ICJ 01-2009: Compliance Enforcement Investigation Allegation*, *ICJ 02-2009: Compliance Enforcement Investigation Process* and *ICJ 2009-03: Guidelines for Compliance*) that were approved by the Executive Committee. Those revised policies are available for review on the ICJ website.
 - J. Hawkins (MO) requested information about the update of the *Sanctioning Guidelines Matrix* and suggested presenting the draft to the regions for review before finalization.
 - Executive Director Underwood advised that this was a separate policy and would be presented for discussion at the Compliance Committee's upcoming August meeting. J. Hawkins (MO) indicated that she would make the suggestion at that time.
 - Corrective Action Plans (CAP) have been submitted by several states that have received their Performance Measurement Assessment (PMA) results. The CAPs submitted have been thorough in their action steps to address any issues. The Compliance Committee recommended to the Executive Committee that the fine of \$75,000.00 assessed to South Carolina be abated with the stipulation that South Carolina be liable to pay for the on-site Technical Assistance and Training (TTA) provided to them at a total of \$3,188.49. The recommendation was approved by the Executive Committee.
 - The Training Committee has been working on Training Sessions for the 2019 ABM. Presenters have been confirmed for the panel discussion. Members can still continue to register on the website for Rules Trainings I and II.
-
- E. Goode and C. Smith (TN) attended the Coalition for Juveniles Justice Conference in Washington, D.C., where they exhibited the ICJ booth. Kentucky exhibited a booth and provided materials at a statewide judicial conference in April and conducted two (2) workshops on ICJ. Attendees at the conference included DJJ supervisor from detention centers, community, central

office, training staff and commissioners. Commission members are encouraged to continue to participate in conferences and trainings and to foster collaborative relationships with other juvenile justice organizations and professionals.

- The Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committee is working to finalize a “Key Concepts in Human Trafficking” resource document. The committee also developed a Purpose Statement.
- The Finance Committee will meet on July 23, 2019. An update will follow at the next region meeting.
- The Technology Committee submitted the revised Request for Proposals (RFP) for a new data system that resulted in eight (8) proposals in response from vendors. However, two (2) proposals did not meet the criteria. The RFP Team is currently reviewing two (2) potential vendors that will be participating in vendor demonstration sessions on July 15-16, 2019. The RFP Team will reconvene on July 17, 2019 to prepare a recommendation to present to the Technology Committee at their next meeting. If the recommendation is approved, it will be presented to the Executive Committee at their July 25, 2019 meeting.
- The Legal Council issued Advisory Opinion 03-2019 addressing the issue brought forth by the state of Kentucky regarding whether a person subject to a juvenile warrant could be released on bond when he/she is considered an adult under the laws of the demanding and holding states based on the age of majority. The white paper, “Temporary Secure Detention,” which includes updated Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP Act) information, was revised.
- The Rules Committee has seventeen (17) proposals to present to the Commission this year at the ABM. The proposals were assigned to four (4) committee members for presentation.

Staff Recognition Updates

Representative T. Marchand (NC) reminded the region members that August 2, 2019 was the deadline for staff recognition nominations. The link for the recommendation form can be located in the ICJ Newsletter or on the ICJ website.

FBI Collaboration Survey

Representative T. Marchand (NC) reminded the region members that the deadline for completion of the FBI Collaboration Survey is August 9, 2019. The survey will provide more information regarding the use and processes surrounding the NCIC system by the different state ICJ offices. This information will assist both the FBI CJIS Division and the ICJ in creation of their new data system, training materials and the FBI presentation at the ABM.

State Updates

- P. Pendergast (AL) reported that Alabama had completed the FBI Collaboration Survey and submitted an additional question for consideration by the FBI.
- A. Denson (FL) reported several new compact staff appointments.
- A. Welch (KY) reported that Kentucky had been providing training to the Administrative Office of the Courts staff, Children Services staff, Circuit Court Judges school, District Court Judges school and the Department of Juvenile Justice staff statewide. Kentucky is continuing to work on presentations for their upcoming scheduled trainings.

- A. Bridgewater (LA) reported that Louisiana had the opportunity to provide training to their local probation and parole staff.
- S. Jones (MD) reported that the Maryland ICJ office continues to work closely with the Maryland Human Trafficking Services Collaborative as well as the Baltimore City Human Trafficking Collaborative. They continue to provide entry level training to all newly hired DJS employees and provide technical assistance statewide.
- M. Baggett (MS) reported that training with field staff and youth court judges has been provided as needed.
- J. Hawkins (MO) reported Missouri has completed trainings this year for four (4) of the five (5) state regions and the Chief Juvenile Officers statewide.
- F. Dauway (SC) reported South Carolina has been providing training for their local staff and have trainings for group placement facilities, foster homes, the Victim Services Department and Human Trafficking Department scheduled for this fall. Staff also has an upcoming presentation scheduled at their local county Human Trafficking Task Force meeting.
- C. Smith (TN) reported that Tennessee will be exhibiting a booth and providing materials at the Tennessee Conference for Court Professionals Conference and Court Judges Conference in August 2019. There is also a training scheduled for the end of the month for staff at an individual court. Tennessee continues to provide training and technical assistance to their local field staff, court administrative staff and build collaborative relationships with the Office of Administrative Courts.
- D. Liedecke (TX) reported a contract has been successfully entered with a provider regarding airport surveillance supervision staff at Dallas Fort Worth Airport. Texas will also be exhibiting a booth and providing materials at the upcoming Post Legislative Session Conference and is making preparations to conduct ICJ webinars for probation staff in the future.
- R. Wagner (WV) reported that she will be retiring effective July 31, 2019. Lynn Fielder has been designated to fill her position and will be attending the ICJ 2019 Annual Business Meeting.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

P. Pendergast (AL) requested region discussion for a possible recommendation regarding Airport Surveillance compensation for the states that provide this service to the Commission. He requested information and input from the states that are providing this service on the related costs, potential obstacles or drawbacks, and possibly some statistical information.

- D. Liedecke (TX) stated that while the sentiment is appreciated, he has concerns regarding issues with tracking, accounting issues, and budgetary cuts may result for his agency.
- T. Marchand (NC) noted similar concerns regarding issues with tracking, accounting issues within the agency, accuracy of statistics, and differences in the length of time and potential last-minute changes of

transport for each case requiring surveillance. She also noted that while most surveillance cases are handled by agency staff, those staff members work in a different division and could potentially require legal review and approval on how reimbursements were handled and could result in the potential need for amendments to ICJ Rules and By-laws.

- T. Cassell (GA) suggested that reimbursement be reduced from the dues for the states providing surveillance services taking into consideration the number of surveillances provided annually.
- The region agreed that they did believe that any states would want to change the existing state dues formulations.
- C. Smith (TN) suggested the development of a sub-work group to further discuss the related costs, potential obstacles or drawbacks, and statistical information.
- P. Pendergast (AL) volunteered to lead the sub-work group. D. Liedecker (TX), J. Regis (DC), J. Miller (AR), A. Denson (FL), C. Smith (TN), T. Cassell (GA) and S. Horton (NC) volunteered to participate in the sub-work group.
- P. Pendergast (AL) suggested recommending the Airport Surveillance Sub-work Group to the Finance Committee at their next meeting for approval to move forward with research on the topic. If approval is received the sub-work group will schedule to meet in August and have information to provide under New Business at the South Region Meeting in September at the ABM.
- The national office will submit a poll of potential August meeting dates to the sub-work group members.

National Office Reminders

- Executive Director Underwood reminded region members that the deadline to submit their training reports is July 12, 2019. The national office will compile those reports to include in the FY19 Annual Report. The Training Report form can be located on the ICJ website or via links in the ICJ Newsletters.
- Executive Director Underwood reminded region members that the registration for the 2019 ABM is a two-part process. Attendees must register for the meeting and then book your hotel room. The Deadline for both meeting registration and hotel room booking is August 2, 2019.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned by acclimation at 2:59 p.m. ET.