



**INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

*Minutes*  
**December 8, 2016**  
**11:30 a.m. EST**

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**Committee Members in Attendance:**

1. Traci Marchand (NC) Chair
2. Jeff Cowger (KS) Treasurer
3. Michael Farmer (CA) Compliance Committee Chair
4. David Barrett (ME) Finance Committee Chair
5. Julie Hawkins (MO) Rules Committee Chair
6. Shelley Hagan (WI) Technology Committee Chair
7. Anne Connor (NV) Training and Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committees Chair
8. Maria Genca (CT) East Region Representative
9. Mia Pressley (SC) South Region Representative
10. Jessica Eldredge (UT) West Region Representative
11. Trudy Gregorie, Victims Representative

**Committee Members Not in Attendance:**

1. Michael Lacy (WV) Vice Chair
2. Nina Belli (OH) Midwest Region Representative
3. Rick Masters, Legal Counsel

**Guests in Attendance:**

None

**ICJ National Office Staff in Attendance:**

1. Ashley Lippert, Executive Director
  2. Emma Goode, Administrative and Logistics Coordinator
  3. Shawn Robinson, Administrative and Training Coordinator
  4. Jenny Adkins, Project Manager
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**Call to Order**

Chair Marchand called the meeting to order at 11:31 a.m. EST.

**Roll Call**

A. Lippert called the roll and a quorum was established.

**Agenda**

**S. Hagan (WI) made a motion to approve the agenda. A. Connor (NV) seconded. The motion passed.**

## Minutes

**M. Pressley (SC) made a motion to approve the October 28, 2016 meeting minutes. J. Eldredge (UT) seconded. The motion passed.**

## Executive Director Report (presented by Ashley Lippert)

### Commissioner Update(s)

- A. Lippert updated on the following Commissioner positions:
  - Hawaii named Nathan Foo as the new Commissioner. Linda Kiyotoki will continue as the DCA and Designee. The National Office awaits receipt of the official appointment.
  - The Pennsylvania Commissioner position remains vacant. The matter was referred to the Compliance Committee for a recommendation.
  - Kentucky named Amy Howell, as the Commissioner. The National Office awaits receipt of the official appointment.

### Council of State Governments (CSG) De-affiliation

- A. Lippert reported the Interstate Commission for Juveniles to be an independent organization as of December 1, 2016. ICJ is no longer an affiliate of the Council of State Governments (CSG).

### 2017 Dues

- A. Lippert updated there are two states (Michigan and the Virgin Islands) with outstanding FY 17 Dues.

### 2018 Annual Business Meeting

- A. Lippert reported that the National Office has reviewed all requests for proposal for the 2018 Annual Business Meeting in the South Region. E. Goode highlighted six proposals from six South Region cities: Atlanta, GA, New Orleans, LA, Orlando, FL, Tampa, FL, Asheville, NC, and Charlotte, NC. The Executive Committee discussed the locations, hotels, and estimated costs and agreed to narrow the six to three for vote by the full Commission.
- **S. Hagan (WI) made a motion to issue a 2018 Annual Business Meeting Site Survey to the Commissioners/Designees to select one from the three options as presented: Atlanta, GA, New Orleans, LA, and Tampa, FL. A. Connor (NV) seconded. The motion passed.**

### Commission Chair Report (presented by Traci Marchand)

- Chair Marchand presented potential dates for the Executive Committee face-to-face one day meeting in March 2017 in Kentucky locations.
- The Executive Committee discussed and agreed the first choice date and location to be March 30 in Louisville and the second choice to be March 28 in Louisville or Lexington. The National Office will check availability.

## Committee Updates

### Compliance Committee (presented by Michael Farmer)

- Chair Farmer reported that the Compliance Committee met November 9 and presented the following recommendations.

### IL vs OK

- Illinois filed a complaint against Oklahoma regarding the return of a runaway whereby an Oklahoma Judge denied the Illinois requisition for return and granted temporary guardianship of the juvenile to residents of Oklahoma. The Compliance Committee recommended that Oklahoma be fined \$25,000 should the default not be remedied by November 18, 2016; and further that Richard Masters, Legal Counsel, be authorized to assist Oklahoma with the appeal process and to file briefs as appropriate on behalf of ICJ.
- Chair Farmer updated that Oklahoma honored the request within the specified time frame and returned the juvenile to Illinois; curing the default. Therefore, no further action is necessary and the fine is abated.
- A. Lippert noted that the letter from Oklahoma dated December 6 included a request from the Oklahoma State Council to ICJ for a rule promulgation and/or an advisory opinion to address the current conflict in case law concerning the breadth of the hearing that must be afforded a runaway and whether the judge in the holding state may consider the best interests of the of the child.
- A. Connor (NV) noted that that letter reports that the juvenile has now returned to Oklahoma to reside with family through an ICPC placement.

### PA Commissioner

- Pennsylvania's Commissioner position has been vacant since July 2016. A letter was issued to the Governor requesting an appointment. The new Commissioner has been identified; however, no official appointment has been made. The Compliance Committee recommends that Legal Counsel write a letter to the Governor of Pennsylvania to appoint a Commissioner within thirty (30) days of receipt of the letter or incur legal action.
- A. Lippert noted that last year Pennsylvania was issued the same letter regarding a lengthy Commissioner vacancy.
- **A. Connor (NV) made a motion to authorize Richard L. Masters, Legal Counsel, to write a follow up letter to the Governor of Pennsylvania to make the appointment within 30 days of receipt of the letter to avoid further legal action. S. Hagan (WI) seconded. The motion passed.**

### Performance Measurement Assessment (PMA)

- Chair Farmer reported that the Compliance Committee plans to review the language in the Performance Measurement Assessments (PMAs) for improved measures of evaluation using JIDS.

### **Finance Committee** (presented by Dave Barrett)

- Chair Barrett reported that the Finance Committee met November 29. The 2017 fiscal year budget reports to be 37.5% of budget with 33.3% of the year complete. The next meeting is January 24, 2017 when the budget will see a significant decrease in the indirect costs line items due to the de-affiliation from the Council of State.

### **Technology Committee** (presented by Shelley Hagan)

- Chair Hagan reported that the Technology Committee met November 9. Discussion items included additional information on the travel plan and a future goal for e-signatures on forms. Chair Hagan favored the improved JIDS enhancements and the smooth transition in November. The next meeting is January 17, 2017.

### **Rules Committee** (presented by Julie Hawkins)

- Chair Hawkins reported that the Rules Committee met twice since the last Executive Committee meeting (November 2 and December 7). To date, 16 rule proposals have been recommended for clarity and consistency.
- The Rules Committee is seeking feedback from each region regarding standardizing “intrastate” relocations once supervision is accepted in the receiving state. According to the current rules, a notification is sent and there is inconsistency in the notification. The Rules Committee is seeking input whether the inconsistency should be addressed in the rules or in training. The Rules Committee requests that the all the region representatives discuss the topic at their next region meeting.
- The deadline for proposal submissions to the Rules Committee is February 28 and the next meeting of the Rules Committee is February 8, 2017.

### **Training, Education & Public Relations Committee and Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committee** (presented by Anne Connor)

#### Training Committee

- Chair Connor reported 14 rules trainings have been scheduled in 2017 between January and July under the direction of new and returning training committee members.
- Chair Connor reported the latest *return of the month* received from North Carolina and encouraged states to submit unique return scenarios for the newsletter.
- Chair Connor updated that the Training Committee will finalize the 2017 Annual Business Meeting training topics at the next meeting on December 15, 2016.

#### Public Relations

Chair Connor updated on the following conferences:

- **APPA – American Probation and Parole Association**  
**January 8-11, 2017 - Winter Training Institute in Reno, NV**  
Presenter Anne Connor (NV) has been confirmed to present the ICJ workshop entitled: A Recommended Approach to Handling Juvenile Victims of Human Trafficking on Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm PST.
- **NCJJ – National Conference on Juvenile Justice**  
**February 12-15, 2017 New York City, NY**  
An application has been submitted and await acceptance to present.
- **NCJFCJ – National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges**  
**July 16-19, 2017 Washington, DC - 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**  
An application has been submitted and await acceptance to present.

#### Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committee

- Chair Connor reported that the Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committee met November 8 and continues to review related resources. The next meeting is January 10, 2017.

### **Regional Updates**

#### **East Region** (presented by Maria Genca)

- Representative Genca reported the next East Region meeting is January 24, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. The East Region will discuss Rule 4-104(4) and a possible proposal

for clarity regarding the acceptance of a case when there is no legal guardian in the home state. Additionally, Representative Genca will be assisting with the Connecticut internal audit of licensed foster homes for the next six weeks.

### **Midwest Region**

- In the absence of Representative Belli, A. Lippert updated that the Midwest Region met November 3. State updates, Executive Committee updates, and AWOL juveniles were discussed. The next meeting is January 31, 2017 and the region will continue its discussion of AWOL juveniles and proposing a rule amendment.

### **South Region** (presented by Mia R. Pressley)

- Representative Pressley reported that the South Region met November 16. In addition to state and Executive Committee updates, the South Region discussed the Form III, hearings, and the non-delinquent juveniles who receive new charges in the holding state. The later item was left open for discussion at the next meeting.
- M. Farmer (CA) questioned what happens when a juvenile placed on probation refuses to sign the Form III. A. Connor (NV) noted that one of the case scenarios presented at the 2016 ABM training sessions addressed a juvenile who entered the receiving state as a non-delinquent and became delinquent while in the holding state. J. Hawkins (MO) added that she questioned the process and suggested it be explained through a rule change or training. A. Connor (NV) noted that the Training Committee is open to developing a training session or a best practice should the matter not go forward as a rule proposal.

### **West Region** (presented by Jessica Eldredge)

- Representative Eldredge reported that the West Region met November 1. The West Region discussed state and Executive Committee updates, and juveniles traveling through multiple states on a travel permit. Additionally, the West Region discussed the involvement by ICJ in an ICPC placement when the juvenile disrupts and is placed in detention on delinquency charges.

### **Victims Representative Report** (presented by Trudy Gregorie)

- T. Gregorie had nothing new to report. A. Connor (NV) requested T. Gregorie to contact her after the meeting regarding the criteria for the FBI's involvement in a human trafficking case.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

### **New Business**

- J. Hawkins (MO) commented on the Commission's age matrix currently posted on the website and shared discrepancies and confusion regarding the age of majority and age of prosecution. S. Hagan (WI) supported posting two columns: Age of Civil Majority and Age of Prosecution as an Adult. A. Lippert shared that the National Office has received other inquiries. The Executive Committee agreed the additional information to be vital and requested that the National Office issue a survey to update the matrix.

## Adjourn

- Chair Marchand wished everyone a great holiday season noting the 2017 tasks which will include forming small groups to develop smart goals for the strategic initiatives.
- The next meeting is January 26, 2017 @ 11:30 a.m. EST next meeting.
- **Chair Marchand adjourned the meeting by unanimous consent at 12:46 p.m. EST.**