

**Interstate Commission for Juveniles
Executive Committee Conference Call
3/26/2009**

In Attendance:

- 1) Donna Bonner (TX) Commissioner – Chair
- 2) Larry Callicutt (ID), Commissioner – Vice-Chair
- 3) Ray Wahl (UT) Commissioner – IT Committee Chair
- 4) Gary Hartman (WY) Commissioner – Rules Committee Chair
- 5) Jean Hall (FL) Commissioner, Training, Education, and PR Committee Chair
- 6) Dale Dodd (NM) Commissioner – Western Region Representative
- 7) Terry Clark (PA) Designee – Eastern Region Representative
- 8) Judy Miller (AR) Designee – Southern Region Representative
- 9) Keith Scott, CSG
- 10) Crady deGolian, CSG

Absent:

- 1) Dennis Casarona (KS) Commissioner – Treasurer
- 2) Lisa Bjergaard (ND) Commissioner – Finance Committee Chair, Midwestern Regional Representative

Roll Call – Keith Scott, CSG

- Keith Scott called the roll. Eight committee members were present ensuring a quorum.

Approval of Agenda – Donna Bonner, Chair

- Chair Bonner requested a motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting.
 - Ray Wahl made the motion and Jean Hall seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – Donna Bonner, Chair

- Chair Bonner next motioned to approve the minutes from the last call.
 - Gary Hartman made the motion and Larry Callicutt seconded.
 - The minutes from the 2/26/09 call were approved and will be changed on the web site accordingly.

Committee Reports – Committee Chairs

Executive Committee – Donna Bonner, Chair

- Chair Bonner spoke with Mike Ruedisale regarding the compliance committee.
 - Michigan is in a state of flux right now. Mike is not sure he is going to continue on as commissioner. He should know that by mid-April and will also let Donna know about serving as the compliance committee's chair.
- Donna has spoken with DHS and the Governor's office in Colorado regarding appointing a commissioner.
- As a result of the issues noted above in Michigan and Colorado, the Compliance Committee has not met yet.

- It is Donna's hope that either the commissioner from either Michigan or Colorado will be able to serve.
- If neither one is willing or able, Donna will appoint somebody different within the next couple of weeks.
- Donna has been working with CSG to resolve the remaining designee issues. There are currently three outstanding.
 - Terry Clark has received full designee status.
 - Judy Miller, Summer Foxworth, and Michele Holden are still being worked out.
- Donna has been working with Crady deGolian on the web page. Crady posted updated versions of the map, compact language, and the state guide and will update the compact contact information next week.
- Donna also noted that CSG's budget only allows for administrative services.
 - There is not money in the budget for any kind of face to face meetings.
 - We will have to wait until dues start coming in before that happens.
- Donna notified the group that she will be presenting at ICPC's annual meeting in San Antonio.
 - ICPC will be covering the cost of her hotel and Keith Scott indicated the commission could cover the remaining costs of the trip, which Donna estimates will be \$210.00.
 - Donna asked for a motion from the committee approving this.
 - Ray Wahl made the motion and Larry Callicutt seconded.
 - The motion passed.
- Donna also spoke with Ron Leffler in Indiana.
 - Ron is still unclear about the situation with Indiana Parole, but is conducting business as usual for now. The Executive Order has not been issued.
 - Ron had agreed to keep Donna informed of any future developments.
 - For the time being Indiana will continue accepting juvenile paroles as required by the old compact.
 - Ron does not think that they will dismantle the juvenile parole system by April 1st.
- Donna next discussed the ex-officio members and the list provided. She noted that the compact stipulates that certain organizations be invited to serve in an ex-officio role.
 - There are a total of 23 organizations on the list, though only seven are specified to serve as ex-officio members by article IIIc.
 - Article IIIc speaks to juvenile justice and juvenile corrections officials. The remaining groups can be invited as the committee prefers.
 - Keith Scott noted that the original list was developed from those who served on the drafting or advisory teams.
 - Chair Bonner suggested that the committee review each group individually to determine which ones are appropriate to invite.
 - Donna noted that she felt it was important to invite APPA and the rest of the group agreed.
 - Next the committee discussed the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. It was determined NCJFCJ should be invited to serve.
 - Donna thought the Council of Juvenile Corrections Administrators would be beneficial to keep in an ex-officio role and the committee agreed.

- Donna noted that the National Center for State Courts is tied to a variety of groups, including the Chief Justices. She recommended we simply send this to the State Court Administrators.
 - Ray Wahl added that it may be better to send it to the NCSC and let them distribute it out to the groups under their umbrella.
 - Ray did think the connection was pretty important and worth keeping and the group agreed.
- Donna next asked for opinions on the National District Attorneys Association. Ray thought this was a group the Commission wants the support of and everybody agreed.
- Next, Donna asked about OJJDP, who the group agreed to invite.
- The committee next discussed the National Institute of Corrections. NIC developed the original survey to determine the effectiveness of the old compact. Donna also added that they are associated with the Federal Government and often times have grant money.
 - Ray pointed out that they have become pretty involved in funding Juvenile projects.
 - The group agreed to invite NIC.
- Donna did not think it was essential to invite the National Association of Counties.
 - The compact focuses on state based policies and is not involved at the state or municipal level.
 - Ray agreed with Donna.
 - Larry Callicutt did note that in Idaho they actually work pretty closely with the county commissioners
 - Donna added that she was unclear what the benefit would be of continuing the affiliation.
 - She suggested we put them on hold for the time being while pursuing the more vital groups.
 - Group agreed with this suggestion
- Donna thought it would be beneficial to keep the National Sheriff's Association.
 - Ray agreed. He felt there was no downside to inviting them.
 - Also agreed to keep the International Association of Chiefs of Police.
- The committee next agreed to invite the National Juvenile Detention Association.
- The group next discussed the Child Welfare League of America.
 - Terry noted that the CWLA has frequently been used for research and policy opinions in Pennsylvania.
 - The committee agreed to invite CWLA.
- Donna noted that the National Association of Extradition Officials works most closely with adults, but she still thought it would be beneficial to invite them to serve in an ex-officio role.
 - NAEO has worked closely with AJCA in the past.
 - The group agreed to invite them.

- CSG will take a look at each of those three locations.
 - Gary asked how many days we might need for a meeting.
 - Keith thought the bulk of time will be spent working on the rules.
 - Will probably be a two and a half or three day meeting. Can be modified as need be.

Finance Committee – Lisa Bjergaard, Chair

- Chair Bonner noted that neither Dennis Casarona nor Lisa Bjergaard were able to participate on the call. The finance committee's report was tabled until next month.

Training, Education, and PR Committee – Jean Hall, Chair

- Jean Hall provided the training education, and PR committee report
 - She first asked how we would be voting on the seal.
 - Ray Wahl suggested we vote on one seal and propose that to the entire commission.
 - He also added that he would like to settle on a seal today without having to convene the entire commission.
 - Keith suggested we vote on a seal today and use that as an interim seal until the entire commission is reconvened.
 - Jean also let the group know that both the training and education sub-committees have held their initial meetings and are making good progress.

Rules Committee – Gary Hartman, Chair

- Gary Hartman provided the rules committee report.
 - He noted that the committee has developed a working draft for the definitions and section 400. They will take up section 500 during the next rules committee call scheduled for 4/8/09.
 - Gary also added that they will probably defer the forms until later in the process.

Compliance Committee Report

- Chair Bonner notified everyone there will be no compliance committee report (see above for additional details).

IT Committee Report – Ray Wahl, Chair

- Ray Wahl provided the IT committee report.
 - The IT committee held its second conference call on 3/17/09.
 - Currently the group is working on several different things.
 - They would first like to redo the 2002 survey to determine what kind of technology various states are using.
 - The group is also looking for funding from a federal agency to mirror what the adult compact did, in which funding was used to develop a template for the database.

Regional Reports – Regional Representatives

Eastern Region – Terry Clark

- Terry Clark has not met with the eastern region and has no report.

Southern Region – Judy Miller

- Judy Miller has not met with her region either and had no report to give.

Midwestern Region – Lisa Bjergaard

- Lisa Bjergaard is not present on the call. Her report was tabled until next month.

Western Region – Dale Dodd

- Dale Dodd tried to call Bernie Warner to see if CA was going to introduce the compact this session.
 - The call was placed on 3/20/09, but Dale has not heard back yet.
- Donna Bonner suggested the regional reps set-up a call to establish a set of coordinated guidelines for how the calls should go.
 - Donna asked Terry to coordinate that with the other regional reps.
 - Terry agreed and will send an e-mail to the regional reps shortly.

CSG/NCIC Report – Keith Scott, CSG

- Keith Scott asked that we defer the discussion of the Executive Director hiring process until the sub-committee call on 3/30/09.
- Keith also notified the committee that dues invoices went out Monday of this week and a second round will go out at the second half of May.
- Keith officially announced that Mississippi joined the compact and will be invoiced for FY '10 shortly.
 - Chair Bonner asked Keith if he had heard anything from Rick Masters regarding Hawaii.
 - Keith has not, but was expecting to hear something in the next couple of days.

Legal Counsel Report – Rick Masters

- Rick Masters is not on the call so the MOU discussion was tabled until the next call.
- Keith did add that each of the documents in question mentioned in the previous call have been circulated to Rick for his review.

Old Business – Donna Bonner

- There was no old business.

New Business – Donna Bonner

- Chair Bonner let everyone know the Executive Director Search sub-committee is meeting next week.
 - Larry Callicutt stated that the sub-committee will be reviewing ICAOS and APPA's Executive Director Search templates and will develop ICJ's template from those options.

- Donna next raised the issue of the Commission's new seal.
 - It was noted that the Training, Education, and PR Committee considered 22 or 23 different seals before submitting these to the Executive Committee.
 - Keith Scott read through the roll and asked each committee member for their vote.
 - Number 1 received 4 votes and numbers 2, 3, and 5 each received one vote.
 - Number 1 was voted the official interim seal.
- Next meeting is scheduled for April 23rd at 11:00 am eastern time.
- Under other business, Donna raised the question about the annual report which is now required under the new compact law.
 - Keith asked if we could defer this until the next call so he has a little more opportunity to discuss it with Rick.
 - The group agreed to this.
- Hearing no additional old or new business, Chair Bonner adjourned the call.