

**Interstate Commission for Juveniles
Executive Committee Meeting
9/24/09**

In Attendance:

- 1) Donna Bonner (TX) Commissioner – Chair
- 2) Ray Wahl (UT) Commissioner – Vice Chair, IT Committee Chair, Executive Director Search Sub-Committee Chair
- 3) Dennis Casarona (KS) Commissioner – Treasurer
- 4) Summer Foxworth (CO) Commissioner – Compliance Committee Chair
- 5) Jean Hall (FL) Commissioner – Training, Education, and PR Committee Chair
- 6) Terry Clark (PA) Designee – Eastern Regional Representative
- 7) Dale Dodd (NM) Commissioner – Western Regional Representative
- 8) Judy Miller (AR) Designee – Southern Regional Representative
- 9) Rick Masters, CSG
- 10) Crady deGolian, CSG

Absent:

- 1) Lisa Bjergaard (ND) Commissioner – Finance Committee Chair, Midwest Regional Representative
- 2) Gary Hartman (WY) Commissioner – Rules Committee Chair

Roll Call – Crady deGolian, CSG

- Crady deGolian called the roll. Eight of ten Committee members were present, ensuring there was a quorum.

Approval of Agenda – Donna Bonner, Chair

- Ray Wahl motioned to approve the agenda and Judy Miller seconded. The agenda was approved without amendment.

Approval of Minutes – Donna Bonner, Chair

- Judy Miller motioned to approve the minutes and Jean Hall seconded. The minutes as amended were approved and will be updated accordingly on the webpage.

Committee Reports

Executive Committee – Donna Bonner, Chair

- Chair Bonner informed the Committee that Crady deGolian circulated and updated the draft of the Strategic Plan.
 - She has not had an opportunity to review the updated document and would like to table that discussion until next month's call.
 - Chair Bonner next informed the Committee that Pat Tuthill is unavailable to serve as the ICJ Commission's Victims Representative.
 - Ms. Tuthill recommended Mary McGhee from Colorado. With the Committee's permission, Donna will extend an invitation to Ms. McGhee to serve as the Commission's Victims Representative.

- Summer Foxworth made the motion to invite Ms. McGhee to serve as the Commission's Victims Representative, and Jean Hall seconded. The motion carried
- Chair Bonner asked if the Committee would like the Victims Representative to fill out a scholarship request form.
 - Terry Clark noted that this person will be very involved in the Commission's work. With that in mind, Terry thought it was appropriate to cover travel for this person. In that case, they would not need to fill out a scholarship request.
 - Terry motioned to cover travel for the Victims Representative, and Ray Wahl seconded. The motion carried.
- Chair Bonner next discussed Ex-Officio invitations. She will be working with Crady deGolian to mail out the Annual Meeting invitations.

Executive Director Search Sub-Committee – Ray Wahl, Chair

- Chair Wahl provided the group a brief update on the Executive Director Search. The Committee has narrowed the search to four finalists. The Committee, along with Chair Bonner and CSG staff John Mountjoy and Linda Burdine will be conducting face to face interviews next week in Lexington, KY
 - Ray noted that the finalists are Lavoyd Hudgins, Robert Wilcher, Paul Gibson, and Ashley Hassan Lippert.
 - Ray next provided a brief overview of each of the four finalists.
- Chair Bonner recommended an emergency meeting of the Executive Committee to allow the Search Sub-Committee to discuss their recommendation.
 - The Committee agreed to meet on Wednesday, September 30 at 3:00 p.m. ET.

Finance Committee – Dennis Casarona, Treasurer

- Treasurer Casarona presented for Chair Bjergaard, who was unable to participate on the call.
- The Finance Committee last met on 9/22/09.
 - Dennis noted that Lisa Bjergaard, Dennis Casarona, and Donna Bonner received financial reports from CSG.
 - Dennis has not reviewed the numbers closely, but he thinks the format will address the Commission's needs.
 - Dennis also discussed developing the upcoming fiscal year's budget.
 - The Finance Committee thought it would be beneficial to wait until the Executive Director is hired before drafting next year's budget.

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

- Chair Hall is in the process of finalizing the Training, Education, and PR Committee's training brochure and the Field Staff training.
 - Jean will circulate those to Chair Bonner for review soon.
- Chair Hall next discussed items to be presented to Commissioners and speakers at the Annual Meeting.
 - The Committee discussed three options, which included a canvas bag, a travel coffee mug, and a portfolio.
 - The first item of business was to determine how many items to give away. The Executive Committee decided one give away item was appropriate.

- Ray Wahl next motioned to order 100 portfolios and present each meeting attendee with one at the Annual Meeting. Terry Clark seconded the motion, and it carried. The portfolios will be embossed and will include the new ICJ Commission logo.
 - Judy Miller suggested not including the meeting date on the portfolio so it can be used and/or sold in the future. The Committee agreed with this suggestion.

Rules Committee – Crady deGolian, CSG

- Chair Hartman was unable to join today’s call. Crady deGolian gave the Rules Committee report in Chair Hartman’s absence.
- Crady informed the group that the first comment period has closed and that the Rules Committee has begun reviewing and incorporating comments from each of the member states.
 - Chair Hartman is expecting to have a second draft of the rules available for the Commission’s review by the first part of October.

Compliance Committee – Summer Foxworth, Chair

- The Compliance Committee has developed three different compliance policies. Chair Foxworth asked that the Executive Committee review these and provide any additional feedback by 10/13/09.
 - She would like to formally accept these policies during the October Executive Committee call.

IT Committee – Ray Wahl, Chair

- Chair Wahl noted that the 9/15/09 IT Committee call was deferred until the Executive Director is hired. This was done to provide the Executive Director an opportunity to weigh in on the Committee’s next steps and to determine how to best utilize the IT Committee survey.

Regional Report – Regional Representatives

- Terry Clark noted that the Regional Representative held their last call on 9/11/09.
 - During the call the Committee discussed the Mission, Vision, and Values statements.
 - The Committee incorporated the comments that they received from the member states and they also made a few additional changes during the 9/11/09 call.
 - Most of the changes were minor grammatical changes.
 - The Regional Representatives moved to accept the Mission, Vision, and Values statements as presented during today’s call. Summer Foxworth seconded, and the motion carried.
 - The Mission, Vision, and Values were approved statements and will be ready for circulation during the Annual Meeting.
 - The Regional Representatives also discussed their portion of the Strategic Plan.

- The Regional Representative Committee added that they will serve on the Nominating Committee at the Second Annual Meeting as they had done during the first meeting.
 - Rick Masters agreed with this suggestion and recommended the Executive Committee follow this protocol. The Executive Committee agreed.

Eastern Regional Report – Terry Clark, Eastern Regional Representative

- Terry Clark discussed an issue surrounding hot pursuits. Terry worked with Rick Masters and Donna Bonner to address the issue.
 - In the instance Terry described, juveniles are being chased across state lines.
 - Rick thought in these instances, the juvenile should be treated as an absconder and deserves due process. He added that under the Old Compact, these juveniles would have been handled under the Rendition Amendment.
- Terry also discussed an issue raised by New Jersey pertaining to the age a state considers an offender an adult.
 - New Jersey was seeking clarification about how to proceed when a receiving state declines to supervise a child because the receiving state considers the child an adult.
 - Rick Masters referred New Jersey to the rule discussing the age of majority.
 - Rick added that he thought the issue has been resolved satisfactorily for all parties involved.

Southern Region Report – Judy Miller, Southern Regional Representative

- Judy Miller noted that she is in the process of developing an updated list so she can reach out to the members in her region.
 - Judy added that there may be a couple of states in her region with outstanding appointment issues.
 - She asked Rick Masters to review these, and Rick agreed to assist however he can.

Midwest Region Report -- Lisa Bjergaard, Midwest Regional Representative

- Lisa Bjergaard was not on the call and the Midwest Regional report was tabled until next month.

Western Regional Reports – Dale Dodd, Western Regional Representative

- Dale Dodd noted that a Western Regional conference call is scheduled for September 29, 2009 at 4:00 EDT.
 - Dale is going to discuss a variety of issues on the agenda, including Commissioner appointments in new states, State Council development, outstanding travel issues, the draft rules, and the extension of the transition rules.
 - Rick Master suggested that it may be beneficial to invite Rachel Rios from CA to attend the meeting.
 - Dale agreed with this suggestion and will invite Rachel.

CSG/NCIC Report – Crady deGolian, CSG

- Crady deGolian first discussed the dues status. He noted that there has been no change since the last conference call.
 - Twelve states still owe dues for the current fiscal year. Given the fiscal year of each of those states, they are all currently delinquent.
 - Summer Foxworth added that Colorado has cut their check, and CSG should receive it shortly.
 - Chair Bonner noted that each of the original member states have received a third round of invoices. All the new member states have received two total invoices.
 - Rick Masters noted that it is time to write a letter notifying each of the original states that they are delinquent (AZ, FL, IL, MD, NC, NJ, and RI). He stated this letter should be more forceful than previous letters and should be signed by the Chair.
 - Rick Masters has a template he has utilized for ICAOS and will forward it to Crady to update.
 - Chair Bonner suggested that CSG send a third invoice to the new member states that have not yet paid dues (AK, MS, NE, OR).
 - If these states remain delinquent, then it will be appropriate to send a more forceful letter that is signed by the Chair.
- Crady deGolian next discussed the status of non-compacting states. California has sent the legislation to the Governor's desk, and Governor Schwarzenegger is expected to sign.
 - Crady added that he has not heard anything new from MA. Robyn Peterson is optimistic that OH will join the compact this legislative session.
 - Rick Masters added that he has heard from Washington, DC. They are also trying to implement the legislation.

Legal Council Report – Rick Masters, CSG

- Rick Masters recommended developing an Ad Hoc Committee to discuss how juvenile sex offenders will be addressed under the new rules.
 - The Rules Committee has discussed this issue, but Rick felt strongly that it required additional attention.
 - ICAOS developed an Ad Hoc Committee to discuss the issue, and Rick is recommending ICJ approach this issue in a similar manner.
 - The Committee could then present its findings at the 2010 Annual Meeting.
 - Rick did not think the Executive Committee needed to take formal action during the call. He simply wanted to make the Executive Committee aware of the issue.
- Chair Bonner asked Rick Masters if he had responded to Idaho's request for additional information regarding how local counties are adhering to the Compact.
 - Rick noted that the letter was sent shortly after the last Executive Committee call. It should be posted shortly on the webpage, minus identifying information.

Old Business – Donna Bonner, Chair

- Chair Bonner asked that all the items under old business be deferred until next week's Executive Committee call.

- The Committee agreed with this suggestion.
- Chair Bonner added that the next Executive Committee call is scheduled for 9/30/09 and that the next standing call is scheduled for 10/22/09.
- Hearing no additional business, Chair Bonner adjourned the call.