



INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES

Midwest Region Meeting

Minutes

November 3, 2016

11:00 a.m. EDT

Regional Commissioners/Designees in Attendance:

1. Nina Belli (OH) Representative
2. Tomiko Frierson (IL) Commissioner
3. Jane Seigel (IN) Commissioner
4. Tracy Fliger (IA) Designee
5. Jeff Cowger (KS) Commissioner
6. Dale Murray (MI) Commissioner
7. Roy Yaple (MI) Designee
8. Jacey Nordmeyer (NE) Commissioner
9. Shelley Hagan (WI) Commissioner

Regional Commissioners/Designees Not in Attendance:

1. Mike Rempe (IA) Commissioner
2. Allen Godfrey (MN) Commissioner
3. Lisa Bjergaard (ND) Commissioner
4. Charles Frieberg (SD) Commissioner

Compact Office Staff in Attendance:

1. Laura Hausladen (IN)
2. Holly Kassube (IL)
3. Liz Wilson (KS)
4. Amy Davids (MN)
5. Jessica Wald (ND)
6. Kathy Christenson (SD)
7. Joy Swantz (WI)

Guests in Attendance:

None

ICJ 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

Call to Order

Representative Belli called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. EDT.

Roll Call

Representative Belli called the roll and a quorum was established. Representative Belli acknowledged the newest Commissioner in the Midwest Region, Commissioner Charles Frieberg (South Dakota).

Agenda

T. Frierson (IL) made a motion to approve the agenda. J. Nordmeyer (NE) seconded. The motion passed.

Minutes

J. Cowger (KS) made a motion to approve the minutes dated August 23, 2016. T. Frierson (IL) seconded. The motion passed.

Discussion

Executive Committee Update

- A. Lippert updated on the de-affiliation of ICJ from the Council of State Governments (CSG). New accounts have been established relative to accounting, insurance, and employee services for the transition on December 1, 2016.
- Representative Belli updated that the Executive Committee approved the new ICJ employee policies which will replace the CSG policies as a result of the de-affiliation. Survey results from the 2016 Annual Business Meeting were positive and the consensus was to continue with a similar format for 2017. A values driven script was approved and will be posted to the Commission's website. The script was developed from the information shared during the 2016 ABM team building session. Additionally, both AAICPC and ICJ agreed to suspend the ICPC/ICJ Workgroup this year and will reconvene next year.
- Representative Belli presented the ICJ Rules Committee calendar. The last date to submit 2017 rule proposals to the committee is February 28, 2016.
- J. Swantz (WI) referenced Rule 4-101 and suggested proposing a rule amendment regarding sending a packet for supervision for a juvenile that is AWOL or out of compliance with his/her terms and conditions of supervision. H. Kassube (IL) questioned who determines if the juvenile is out of compliance. J. Nordmeyer (NE) cited Rule 4-104(4) "...not in substantial compliance with the terms and conditions of supervision..."
- The Midwest Region agreed to consider proposed language at the next meeting and Wisconsin agreed to draft the language.
- T. Frierson (IL) shared cases whereby Illinois' requisitions for return have been suspended for months awaiting resolution of a custody dispute. She requested guidance for when a Court ordered supervision case becomes a custody case suggesting ICJ being removed from the case until the custody matter is resolved. Representative Belli noted the unique aspects of each ICJ case. No similar cases were shared by the Midwest Region attendees.

State Updates

- T. Frierson (IL) updated that the Illinois State Council members will be assigned by the Governor. Additionally, ICJ trainings are scheduled for Cook County, Illinois.
- J. Cowger (KS) updated that ICJ participated in the Protect our Children session during the Federal Department of Justice Conference in Kansas City. Additionally, the Kansas State Council will meet next week.
- D. Murray (MI) updated that the Michigan State Council met and noted that the internal state audit continues into its sixteenth month.
- A. Davids (MN) updated that Minnesota is in the process of hiring a new Deputy Compact Administrator (DCA).
- J. Nordmeyer (NE) updated that the Nebraska State Council will meet December 9. A new State Senator will attend the meeting and an item on the agenda is the state sex offender registry. Additionally, state wide ICJ rules trainings will be conducted after the first of the year.
- J. Wald (ND) updated that North Dakota has developed a human trafficking protocol, which includes a 24 hour hot line, identifying victims, and housing victims in host homes (licensed foster homes) while applicable services are being procured for the victims.
- K. Christenson (SD) updated that Nancy Allard retired. The new Commissioner Charles Frieberg, Director of Court Services, sends his regrets for missing the meeting and looks forward to attending the next meeting.
- S. Hagan (WI) updated that the Wisconsin State Council has not met and membership is changing. J. Swantz (WI) spoke to the positive feedback and increased collaboration from locals after conducting face to face ICJ rules trainings in the state.
- Representative Belli (OH) updated on the Ohio State Council meetings and echoed the positive feedback received from the ICJ trainings conducted with local court personnel.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

- Representative Belli acknowledged Jeff Cowger as the 2017 ICJ Treasurer; as well as, Shelley Hagan, 2017 Technology Committee Chair; the Technology Committee and Jenny Adkins for their work preparing for the JIDS Fall Enhancements. The JIDS enhancements will go live November 14. Representative Belli encouraged members to attend the upcoming enhancements training.
- Representative Belli announced that Training Committee Chair Connor is seeking states' written ICJ transition plans. J. Swantz (WI) added that the task of the Training Committee is to acquire state's ICJ operations/succession plans. As a member of the committee she is collecting and compiling said plans. The Committee is looking to develop a generic template to assist states that may not have a written plan in place.

Adjourn

- The Midwest Region agreed to schedule the next Midwest teleconference for January 31 at 11:00 a.m. EST.
- **Representative Belli adjourned the meeting by acclamation without objection at 11:47 a.m. EDT.**