

# INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES

*South Region Meeting Minutes*

November 06, 2024

11:00 am ET

Via Zoom



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## Preliminary Business

### Call to Order

Representative F. Dauway (SC) called the meeting to order at 11:00 am ET.

### Roll Call

Director Underwood called the roll and a quorum was established.

### Voting Commissioners/Designees in Attendance:

1. Felicia Dauway (SC), Designee, Regional Representative
2. Chanda Leshoure (AL), Designee
3. Judy Miller (AR), Designee
4. Jefferson Regis (DC), Commissioner
5. Rusty Rodgers (GA), Commissioner
6. Amy Welch (KY), Commissioner
7. Deanna McNulty (LA), Designee
8. Robert Hendryx (OK), Designee
9. Sherry Jones (MD), Commissioner
10. Maxine Baggett (MS), Designee
11. Julie Hawkins (MO), Commissioner
12. Corrie Copeland (TN), Commissioner
13. Daryl Liedecke (TX), Designee
14. Natalie Dalton (VA), Commissioner
15. Lynn Fielder (WV), Designee

### Compact Staff in Attendance:

1. Melina Hampton (KY), Designee
2. Benjamin Turner (KY)
3. Tecara Richardson (FL)
4. Ryan Smith (FL)
5. Shanice Rhyne (GA)
6. Yolanda Latimer (LA)
7. Ashley Hodges (KY)
8. Abbye Tyler (MD)
9. Latoya Oliver (MD)
10. Quincy Hughes (TN)
11. Mason Harrington (SC)
12. Jessica Stefenack (VA)

### South Region Voting Members Not in Attendance:

1. Jean Hall (FL), Commissioner, Alternate Region Representative
2. Angela Bridgewater (LA), Commissioner

3. Robert Anderson (MS), Commissioner
4. Jeffrey Cartmell (OK), Commissioner
5. Stephanie Bond (WV), Commissioner
6. Louis (Lou) Serrano (TX), Commissioner

#### **National Office Staff in Attendance:**

1. MaryLee Underwood, Executive Director
2. Amanee Cabbagestalk, Training and Administrative Specialist
3. Kirsten Wade, Logistics and Administrative Specialist
4. Jenny Adkins, Operations and Policies Specialist
5. Joe Johnson, System Project Manager

#### **Agenda**

S. Horton (NC) made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. C. Copeland (TN) seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### **Minutes**

J. Miller (AR) made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting on September 24, 2024. R. Rodgers (GA) seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### **Check-ins**

Representative F. Dauway (SC) opened the floor for members to share about a skill or hobby they were interested in learning.

#### **Reports**

##### **Hot Topics from *ICJ Updates***

- Representative F. Dauway discussed the [Fact Sheet on ICJ Returns and Non-Delinquent Runaways](#), which she and her colleagues found useful in handling runaways.
- Representative F. Dauway (SC) discussed the [2024 ICJ Annual Report](#), which was available at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) and on the Commission's website. She stated anyone who needed extra copies of the Annual Report should reach out to the National Office.
  - The National Office is open to feedback for any type of changes or improvements on the Annual Report.
  - Representative F. Dauway (SC) shared the Annual Report with the South Carolina State Council.
- Representative F. Dauway shared that a Wednesday Workshop was held on October 30, 2024, discussing Youth HOPE Month, presented by the National Runaway Safeline. The session was recorded and made available upon request to the National Office or TalentLMS.
  - The Wednesday Workshop series will resume in January 2025.

##### **Unfinished Business**

- Representative F. Dauway (SC) discussed the challenges of working with unhoused youth, particularly in conducting home evaluations. She reminded members about the [Best Practice: Working with Unhoused Juveniles](#) that was shared in a previous meeting and encouraged further input.

##### **New Business**

- Representative F. Dauway discussed the timeline for proposals for amendments to the ICJ rules. She emphasized rule amendments must be submitted before December 31, 2024.
- Representative F. Dauway (SC) encouraged South Regional members to consider potential rule amendments and to consult her if they had any questions or ideas.

#### Next Steps

- Representative F. Dauway (SC) advised members to send proposals to her so she could add them to the agenda.
- Representative F. Dauway (SC) encouraged volunteers to become ambassadors for their respective committees to report out during region meetings.
- Joe Johnson (National Office) updated the members on the revised privacy policy, which would be released on the UNITY and UNITY Training platforms on December 1, 2024.
- Director Underwood thanked the South Region members for their participation in committees.
- Representative F. Dauway (SC) expressed gratitude for her re-election as regional representative and reported J. Hall (FL) would serve as the alternate regional representative.
- J. Hawkins (MO) reiterated that the deadline for proposals for new rules and rule amendments was December 31, 2024.

#### Adjourn

**J. Hawkins (MO) made a motion to adjourn the meeting. S. Horton (NC) seconds.  
Representative Dauway (SC) adjourned the meeting by acclamation without objection at 11:25 am ET.**