

## INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR JUVENILES

### *Training, Education, and Public Relations Committee Meeting Minutes*

May 1, 2025

2:00 p.m. EDT

Via Zoom



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### **Preliminary Business**

#### **Call to Order**

Chair R. Heide (AK) called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. EDT.

#### **Roll Call**

Jenny Adkins (National Office) called the roll, and a quorum was established.

#### **Commissioners/Designees in Attendance:**

1. Robert Heide (AK), Commissioner, Chair
2. Chanda Leshoure (AL), Designee, Vice Chair
3. Jean Hall (FL), Commissioner
4. Becki Moore (MA), Commissioner
5. Raymundo Gallardo (UT), Designee

#### **Additional State ICJ Personnel in Attendance:**

1. Tracy Cassell (GA)
2. Shirleen Cadiz (HI)
3. Bridget Webb (SC)
4. Nataly Sevilla (IN)
5. Nataki Brown, Victims Representative

#### **Commissioners/Designees Not in Attendance:**

1. Antonio DeJesus (CA), Commissioner
2. Lisa Bjergaard (ND), Commissioner
3. Jessica Wald (ND), Designee

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

1. Jenny Adkins, Operations and Policy Specialist
2. Amanee Cabbagestalk, Training and Administrative Specialist
3. Kirsten Wade, Logistics and Administrative Specialist

J. Hall (FL) made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed.

J. Hall (FL) made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting on April 3, 2025. The motion passed.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Discuss 2025 Annual Business Meeting Training Sessions**

- Amanee Cabbagestalk, National Office, reported she met with Dr. Nicole Price, the Chief Executive Officer of Lively Paradox, about being the keynote speaker for the 2025 Annual Business Meeting (ABM).
- J. Hall (FL) made a motion to recommend Dr. Nicole Price for the Keynote Speaker at the 2025 Annual Business Meeting to the Executive Committee. The motion passed.

- Chair R. Heide (AK) stated that the Work Group on Non-Delinquent Youths was slated to present a training session at the 2025 ABM. He said a presentation related to returns has been prepared but may not suit everyone's needs. Amanee Cabbagestalk (National Office) explained it is an informational presentation about returns. She recommended providing a shorter version and advising attendees about how they can use it to train other personnel in their states.
- R. Gallardo (UT) suggested adding a training regarding tribal nations at ABM. He referenced the Racial Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (RDEI) Committee's work and data suggesting disparities in denial of home evaluations for Native American youths. He stated it would be helpful to learn the legal aspects of whether states can hold youths on tribal warrants pursuant to the ICJ and how to work with Tribal Nations.
- Amanee Cabbagestalk, from the National Office, stated that the RDEI Committee has plans to work on a *Quick Reference Guide on Tribal Relationships* and could possibly present it at the ABM. Members agreed with this idea.
- Chair R. Heide (AK) stated that he would contact the RDEI Committee to discuss their presentation at the ABM. He will update the Training Committee at the next meeting.
- He asked members to contact him if they would like to assist on a Training Subcommittee to continue planning the training session for the ABM.
- Amanee Cabbagestalk, National Office added that Amy Ast, Ohio Department of Youth Services Director, will present the welcome address at the Annual Business Meeting.

#### **Review edits to ICJ Resources (*Quick Reference Guide for ICJ Cases, Bench Card on Returns, Bench Card on Transfer of Supervision*)**

- Amanee Cabbagestalk (National Office) presented the *Quick Reference Guide for ICJ Cases* with all previous edits included. Members expressed approval.
- Amanee Cabbagestalk (National Office) presented the *Bench Card on Transfer of Supervision*. Chair R. Heide (AK) asked members if they had any additional edits.
- T. Cassell (GA) discussed the importance of being consistent with the language used in the *Bench Book* in reference to using the terms "juvenile" and "youth."
- Members discussed the importance of updating language and using the term "youth."
- Amanee Cabbagestalk (National Office) will discuss with Director Underwood on changing the term "juvenile" to the term "youth" in the Bench Cards.
- Amanee Cabbagestalk (National Office) presented the *Bench Card on Return of Runaways, Probation/Parole Absconders, Escapees & Accused Delinquents*.
- Members recommended grammatical edits. Amanee Cabbagestalk, National Office, stated she will work on the format for the *Bench Card on Return of Runaways, Probation/Parole Absconders, Escapees & Accused Delinquents*.

#### **Revisit discussion of printing materials**

- The topic will be discussed at the next meeting.

#### **New Business**

- No new business was discussed.

#### **Next Steps**

- The next Training Committee meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. EDT.

#### **Adjourn**

Training Committee Vice Chair Leshoure (AL) adjourned the meeting by acclamation without objection at 3:06 p.m. EDT.