

# **Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision East Region Meeting MINUTES**

August 27, 2019 · 2 pm ET WebEx

## **Members in Attendance:**

- 1. Dale Crook (VT), Chair
- 2. Gary Roberge (CT)
- 3. Jim Elder (DE)
- 4. Gloriann Moroney (MA)
- 5. Patrick Delahanty (ME)
- 6. Samuel Plumeri (NJ)
- 7. Robert Maccarone (NY)
- 8. Raquel Colon (PR)
- 9. Patricia Coyne-Fague (RI)
- 10. Wynnie Testamark (VI)

# **Members not in Attendance:**

- 1. Benjamin Jean (NH)
- 2. Linda Rosenberg (PA)

#### **Guests:**

- 1. Natalie Latulippe (CT)
- 2. Fred Watton (CT)
- 3. Terra Taylor (DE)
- 4. Denis Clark (ME)
- 5. Candice Alfonso (NJ)
- 6. Jeanne Stewart (NH)
- 7. Robin Stacy (NJ)
- 8. Jim Carswell (NY)
- 9. Matt Charton (NY)
- 10. Margaret Thompson (PA)
- 11. Ingrid Siliezar (RI)

# **Staff**

- 1. Ashley Lippert, Executive Director
- 2. Allen Eskridge, Policy and Operations Director
- 3. Barno Saturday, Logistics and Administrative Coordinator
- 4. Mindy Spring, Administrative and Training Coordinator
- 5. Xavier Donnelly, Project Manager
- 6. Kevin Terry, Website Analyst

#### Call to Order

Chair D. Crook (VT) called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm ET. Ten commissioners were present, a quorum was established.

Chair D Crook (VT) welcomed new commissioners - Gloriann Moroney (MA), Patrick Delahanty (ME), and Wynnie Testamark (VI).

## **Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

Commissioner R. Maccarone (NY) moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) seconded. Agenda approved.

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) moved to approve the minutes from March 28, 2018 meeting. Commissioner S. Plumeri (NJ) seconded. Minutes approved.

Commissioner R. Maccarone (NY) moved to approve the minutes from October 2, 2018 meeting. Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) seconded. Minutes approved.

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) moved to approve the minutes from January 9, 2019 meeting. Commissioner R. Maccarone (NY) seconded. Minutes approved.

Commissioner P. Delahanty (ME) moved to approve the minutes from May 14, 2019 meeting. Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) seconded. Minutes approved.

## Discussion

*Executive Committee Update:* Executive Director A. Lippert informed the region that the national office was preparing for the upcoming Annual Business Meeting in San Diego, CA this October. She reminded the region that the meeting registration would close on August 30.

The national office sent letters to states regarding the FY20 warrant compliance audit. She reminded states that the deadline to submit required documents was September 1.

Executive Director A. Lippert stated the national office completed its annual fiscal audit. The FY19 Annual Report was also in its final draft stage.

Executive Director A. Lippert noted that this year, commissioners started receiving quarterly email updates of their compliance performance. The ICAOS Dashboard Compliance email notification included a snapshot of the monitored compliance standards, as well as a PDF attachment containing the entire report. States received their reports on July 1.

Discussion of new rule proposals: Chair D Crook (VT) stated that this year, the Commission would discuss and vote on 2019 rule proposals. He noted that some proposals had ICOTS costs associated with them and encouraged states to discuss them in detail with their state council members and other stakeholders.

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) inquired about the use of the term 'paroling authority' in the proposal to Rule 3.103 from the West Region.

DCA F. Watton (CT) stated that he interpreted the rule as being applied only to probationers.

Training Coordinator M. Spring noted that the changes approved in 2015 regarding qualifying offenders who 'live in the receiving state after disposition of a violation or revocation proceeding'

were not intended to exclude any offenders. However, she added that it was rare a parolee meets qualifications for reporting instructions under this rule. Both the South Region and the Rules Committee supported this interpretation, when the proposal was made. 'Probationer' as termed in the rule, applied to those offenders qualifying at initial sentencing.

DCA J. Stewart (NH) stated that New Hampshire interpreted the rule the same way as Connecticut.

DCA C. Alfonso (NJ) expressed her concerns regarding striking the word 'violation'. She noted that not every offender required to return or who was retaken, was subjected to a formal-revocation hearing. Sometimes these offenders have no resources to remain in the receiving state pending an investigation.

The region will continue its discussion at the next region meeting.

Agenda items for the October face-to-face East Region meeting: The region decided to have the following discussion items at its next meeting scheduled for October 8, 2019 in San Diego, CA.

- 2019 Rule Proposals Discussion
- Election of Region Chair

## **Old/New Business**

There was no new/old business.

# **Adjourn**

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) moved to adjourn. Commissioner P. Delahanty (ME) seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 pm ET.