



2023 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision

September 20, 2023

Norfolk Hilton the Main Hotel, Norfolk, VA

Call to Order

Chair M. Hudson (IN) called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. ET. The Greenville Correctional Center Honor Guard presented the flags.

Roll Call

Executive Director A. Lippert called the roll. Forty-seven out of fifty-three members were present, thereby constituting a quorum.

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Alabama | <i>Not in attendance</i> |
| 2. Alaska | Taryn Link, Commissioner |
| 3. Arizona | Dori Littler, Commissioner |
| 4. Arkansas | Vincent France, Commissioner |
| 5. California | Davies Sasere, Official Designee |
| 6. Colorado | Andrew Zavaras, Commissioner |
| 7. Connecticut | Gary Roberge, Commissioner |
| 8. Delaware | Heidi Collier, Commissioner |
| 9. District of Columbia | Richard Tischner, Commissioner |
| 10. Florida | Joe Winkler, Commissioner |
| 11. Georgia | <i>Not in attendance</i> |
| 12. Hawaii | Brook Mamizuka, Commissioner |
| 13. Idaho | Judy Mesick, Commissioner |
| 14. Illinois | Melissa Smith, Commissioner |
| 15. Indiana | Mary Kay Hudson, Commissioner |
| 16. Iowa | Sally Kremer, Commissioner |
| 17. Kansas | Megan Milner, Commissioner |
| 18. Kentucky | Steve Turner, Commissioner |
| 19. Louisiana | Bobby Lee, Commissioner |
| 20. Maine | Susan Gagnon, Commissioner |
| 21. Maryland | Martha Danner, Commissioner |
| 22. Massachusetts | Tina Hurley, Commissioner |
| 23. Michigan | Russell Marlan, Commissioner |
| 24. Minnesota | Tracy Hudrlik, Commissioner |
| 25. Mississippi | Richie Spears, Official Designee |

26. Missouri	Julie Kempker, Commissioner
27. Montana	<i>Not in attendance</i>
28. Nebraska	Sally Reinhardt-Stewart, Commissioner
29. Nevada	Deon McDaniel, Commissioner
30. New Hampshire	David Cady, Commissioner
31. New Jersey	Samuel Plumeri, Jr., Commissioner
32. New Mexico	Roberta Cohen, Commissioner
33. New York	Scott Hurteau, Official Designee
34. North Carolina	Maggie Brewer, Commissioner
35. North Dakota	Amy Vorachek, Commissioner
36. Ohio	Katrina Ransom, Commissioner
37. Oklahoma	<i>Not in attendance</i>
38. Oregon	Jeremiah Stromberg, Commissioner
39. Pennsylvania	Christian Stephens, Commissioner
40. Puerto Rico	<i>Not in attendance</i>
41. Rhode Island	Wayne Salisbury, Commissioner
42. South Carolina	Melvin Warren, Commissioner
43. South Dakota	Brad Lewandowski, Commissioner
44. Tennessee	Chris Hill, Commissioner
45. Texas	David Gutierrez, Commissioner
46. Utah	Dan Blanchard, Commissioner
47. Vermont	Dale Crook, Commissioner
48. Virginia	Jim Parks, Commissioner
49. Virgin Islands	Wynnie Testamark, Commissioner
50. Washington	Mac Pevey, Commissioner
51. West Virginia	Diann Skyles, Commissioner
52. Wisconsin	Joselyn López, Commissioner
53. Wyoming	<i>Not in attendance</i>

Executive Director A. Lippert recognized ex-officio members:

- American Jail Association (AJA) – *Not in attendance*
- American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) – Gwyn Kaitis
- Association of Paroling Authorities International (APAI) – *Not in attendance*
- Association of Prosecuting Attorneys (APA) – Sheryl Dublin
- Conference of Chief Justices (CCJ) – *Not in attendance*
- Conference of State Court Administrators (COSCA) – Katherine Stocks
- International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) – *Not in attendance*
- Interstate Commission for Juveniles (ICJ) – Julie Hawkins
- National Association for Public Defense (NAPD) – *Not in attendance*
- National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) – Amy Ely
- National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) – *Not in attendance*
- National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) – Amanda Essex
- National Criminal Justice Association (NCJA) – *Not in attendance*
- National Governors Association (NGA) – *Not in attendance*
- National Institute of Corrections (NIC) – *Not in attendance*

- National Organization for Victim Assistance (NOVA) – John Gillis
- National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) – *Not in attendance*
- National District Attorneys Association (NDAA) - *Not in attendance*

Chair M. Hudson (IN) welcomed the Commission members to the ICAOS Annual Business Meeting. She instructed the commissioners on the rules and procedures of the meeting.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner D. Crook (VT) seconded. Agenda approved.

Commissioner M. Pevey (WA) moved to approve the Annual Business Meeting's minutes from September 28, 2022, as drafted. Commissioner J. Parks (VA) seconded. Minutes approved.

Welcome Address

Commissioner J. Parks (VA) introduced speakers Joseph Owen, Superintendent at Brunswick Community Corrections Alternative Program (CCAP) and Hannah White, CCAP Program Manager, who presented Virginia's Community Corrections Alternative Program.

Language Change Workgroup

Chair M. Hudson (IN) stated that at the last annual business meeting, the Commission expressed interest in removing the word "offender" from the Compact's terminology in favor of more person-centered language. As a result, the Executive Committee established a workgroup to explore this possibility and appointed two representatives from each region to serve as members. Past chair, Commissioner J. Stromberg (OR), chaired the workgroup.

Commissioner J. Stromberg (OR) thanked the workgroup members for their contribution: Commissioner David Cady (NH), Commissioner Christian Stephens (PA), Commissioner Tom Langer (AL), Commissioner James Rudek (OK), Commissioner Jeremy Vukich (WY), Commissioner Andrew Zavaras (CO), DCA Brenna Kojis (WI), and DCA April Simmons (IN).

He stated that the goal of the workgroup was to study the issue and provide a recommendation to the Executive Committee on whether a change was appropriate. The workgroup presented two recommendations:

Recommendation #1: The Language Workgroup recommends the Executive Committee replace the term offender with supervised individual within the Compact.

Recommendation #2: Scope:

1. No change to the Commission's name or statute.
2. No change to ICOTS' name.
3. States will not need to change their bylaws or statutes.
4. No change to past Advisory Opinions.

5. No change to sex-offender terminology.
6. All current publications and materials will be updated by the national office. (Estimated 12 months to complete.)
7. The change will affect all documents going forward.

Legal Implications:

Legal Counsel advises that both terms, “supervised individual” and “offender,” be used by the Commission since the Compact Statute defines the term "offender" and no modifications are proposed to the statute. The Commission would retain the term “offender” and determine where in its legal documents it should be used as opposed to the term “supervised individual.”

Chair M. Hudson (IN) opened the floor for comment on the workgroup’s recommendation. No comments were received. The Executive Committee will consider the presented recommendations at its November meeting.

ABM Planning Workgroup Report

Vice-chair M. Pevey (WA) acknowledged the workgroup members: Commissioner Joselyn López (WI), Commissioner James Parks (VA), Commissioner Jeremiah Stromberg (OR), Commissioner Steve Turner (KY), Commissioner Susan Gagnon (ME), Commissioner Dale Crook (VT), DCA Suzanne Brooks (OH), DCA Mark Patterson (OR), and DCA Julie Lohman (VA).

Vice-chair M. Pevey (WA) reminded the commission that the workgroup recommends an annual business meeting agenda to the Executive Committee for the upcoming year. They do this by reviewing feedback from previous annual business meetings (ABM) and considering input from regions or committees and emerging trends in supervision. Further, they provide support to the hosting state and engagement activities at the ABM.

This year, the workgroup put together a robust agenda with guest speakers and opportunities for collaboration and networking.

Chair M. Hudson (IN) accepted the workgroup’s report.

Compliance Committee Report

Commissioner S. Kreamer (IA), Compliance Committee Chair, expressed her appreciation for the national office staff and committee members’ commitment and hard work throughout the year. She recognized the committee members: Joe Winkler (FL), Martha Danner (MD), Cathy Gordon (MT), Deon McDaniel (NV), Samuel Plumeri (NJ), Amy Vorachek (ND), Dale Crook (VT), Ex-officio Sarah Ball (SD), and Ex-officio Matthew Poyzer (AZ).

Commissioner S. Kreamer (IA) presented the Compliance Committee’s work from the past year. She noted that as a result of the FY2023 Data Integrity audit, the committee recommended the DCA Liaison Committee continue to focus on data integrity to improve in areas addressed in the audit results. Additionally, the committee will re-audit seventeen states on data integrity in FY2024. She encouraged these states to reach out to the national office or the committee for assistance if needed.

In addition, the committee made recommendations to the Executive Committee to amend AP 2009-05 Compliance Audit Policy by defining timelines and monetary penalties. The Executive Committee accepted these recommendations.

Commissioner S. Kreamer (IA) continued that the Compliance Committee sends out compliance management bi-annual emails with transfer acceptance rates, retaking management, number transferees retaken, number transferees retaken and re-transferred, active warrants, and number transferees awaiting retaking. This information will help states to identify and address internal compliance issues, if any.

She reminded states that the Compliance Committee was there to offer states the necessary support and information to stay in compliance.

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) moved to accept the Compliance Committee report as presented. Commissioner J. Kempker (MO) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DCA Liaison Committee Report

DCA S. Brooks (OH), the DCA Liaison Committee chair, presented her report to the Commission. She thanked the national office staff and the committee members for their work: DCA East Region Chair – DCA Dennis Clark (ME), DCA Midwest Region Chair – DCA Simona Hammond (IA), DCA South Region Chair – DCA Timothy Strickland (FL), DCA West Region Chair – DCA Mark Patterson (OR) as well as region representatives for East – DCA Rickey Plank (VT), Midwest – DCA Alyssa Miller (ND), South – DCA LaShonda Lee-Campbell (MD), and West – DCA Lorna Colver (AK).

The committee has been working on FY2024 DCA Dashboard Program. The program's primary focus are violations and managing retaking. The program was built on the DCA Success survey launched earlier this year. The program includes best practices for Compact staff review and responsibilities, compliance with retaking rules, identifying user trends and training issues, and violation types.

DCA S. Brooks (OH) continued that the DCA Liaison Committee had also been working on the New DCA Success Program scheduled to be launched in the fall 2023. She continued that the DCA survey revealed a widespread lack of stakeholder training, therefore the first session will be a follow-up to the Collaborative Problem-Solving Session held at the ABM. Participation will be limited to new DCAs and DCAs with stated goals for improving their state's compact operations.

DCA S. Brooks (OH) shared the program objectives:

- Employ a group mentoring strategy.
- Develop and share strategies to improve case management and compact office operations.
- Use coaching techniques.
- Create New DCA Toolkit/training module.
- Improve compact management resources.

Additionally, the committee along with the national office developed the New DCA tool kit, a webpage with resources and training information for new DCAs.

Commissioner M. Pevey (WA) moved to accept the DCA Liaison Committee report as presented. Commissioner S. Turner (KY) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Finance Committee Report

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT), Treasurer and the Finance Committee Chair, expressed appreciation to the national office staff, and the Finance Committee members for their work and diligence throughout the past year: Commissioner Tom Langer (AL), Commissioner Heidi Collier (DE), Commissioner Mary Kay Hudson (IN), Commissioner Bobby Lee (LA), Commissioner Brad Lewandowski (SD), Commissioner David Gutierrez (TX), and Commissioner Jeremy Vukich (WY).

The Finance Committee's mission is to oversee budgetary processes by preparing an annual budget for approval and to monitor the Commission's income and expenses throughout the year. The committee's goals are to recommend finding a formula that respects the value of public funds and meets the Commission's future technological and operational needs as well as to recommend a sustainable annual budget for approval.

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) stated that at the end of the fiscal year, the Commission's cash reserves had a closing amount of \$868,000. The Commission maintains investments in two long-term Vanguard investment accounts that include an investment-grade bond fund and a total stock market index fund. The Commission's investment accounts showed stable growth this year. The balance in the Vanguard funds as of June 30, 2023, totaled \$2,397,594, an 11.16% increase over the previous year. The Commission's total revenue in FY2023 was \$1,802,579 with \$221,963 used from reserves and total expenses were \$1,802,579.

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) stated that the Commission successfully completed a financial audit by an independent auditor. The auditor found the Commission in good financial status and provided a clean and unmodified report. Commission members can find the audit report in the FY 2023 Annual Report.

Last year, the Commission recognized the need to maintain a strong financial position for the future and instituted a minimal dues increase to cover the operating deficit created by cumulative inflationary growth. The dues increase allowed the Commission to sustain operations and ensure that it continues to deliver exceptional services and benefits to all members.

Keeping in mind the importance of efficient and prudent budget allocation and expense control, the Finance Committee recommended to the Executive Committee to discontinue covering the cost for a second DCA from ICOTS bifurcated states to attend the annual business meeting in DCA Institute years. Recognizing the importance of maintaining a balanced budget while still ensuring valuable networking and knowledge-sharing opportunities for DCAs, the Executive Committee accepted this recommendation.

The major contributing factor to this fiscal year's budget shortfall is the Commission's investment in the migration of the ICOTS information system to the new operating platform. Subsequent fiscal year operating expenses should fall back in line with prior years. This is something the Finance Committee will closely monitor as the Commission moves forward. In addition, the committee will be exploring different funding options from the federal government to aid with the ICOTS rebuilding project.

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) presented the FY2025 budget for Commission's vote. The total Commission's expenses for FY2024 are estimated as \$1,866,208.

Commissioner D. Crook (VT) moved to approve the FY2025 budget as presented. Commissioner T. Hudrlik (MN) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner R. Cohen (NM) moved to accept the Finance Committee Report as presented. Official Designee S. Davies (CA) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Information Technology Committee Report

Executive Director A. Lippert thanked the Information Technology Committee members for their service: Commissioner Chris Moore, Chair (GA), Commissioner Joselyn López (WI), Commissioner Taryn Link (AK), Commissioner Andrew Zavaras (CO), Commissioner Steve Turner (KY), Commissioner Dan Blanchard (UT), Commissioner Mac Pevey (WA), DCA Joe Kuebler (GA), DCA Suzanne Brooks (OH), and DCA Jordan McKinley (WV).

The committee's mission is to oversee the use of technology resources to facilitate the Compact process and to make recommendations that increase efficiency and support the Commission's goals.

Several new dashboards were built or updated during FY 2023 to assist the commission in business processes and self-auditing. Those dashboards include retaking management data, possible duplicate offenders, FY 2022 photo compliance summary and details, as well as Retaking Management.

Executive Director A. Lippert reminded the Commission that the Executive Committee chose Optimum Technologies to migrate ICOTS to a new hosting environment. Immediately following contract execution, the national office commenced work on the migration. User Acceptance Testing (UAT) was conducted from August 28 to September 8, 2023. No issues were found by the testing group or the national office. She continued that the final migration cutover will occur over the weekend of October 7th through 8th, 2023. ICOTS will be taken offline at 6 pm ET on October 6th. Normal compact business will resume in ICOTS at 6 am ET on October 9th. She opened the floor for comments.

No comments were received.

Commissioner S. Kreamer (IA) moved to accept the Information Technology Committee Report as presented. Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Training, Education & Public Relations Committee Report

Commissioner J. López (WI), Training Committee Chair, recognized the national office staff and committee members: Commissioner Taryn Link (AK), Commission Sally Reinhardt-Stewart (NE), Commissioner Tracy Hudrlik (MN), Commissioner Maggie Brewer (NC), Commissioner Katrina Ransom (OH), Commissioner Jeremiah Stromberg (OR), Commissioner James Parks (VA) and DCA Alyssa Miller (ND), DCA Ingrid Siliezar (RI), and DCA Cynthia Stout (TX).

Commissioner J. López (WI) stated that ICAOS provided workshops at both the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) Winter Training Institute in February 2023 as well as the Association of Paroling Authorities International (APAI) Training Institute in April 2023. At the APPA session, Commissioner Katrina Ransom (OH) and DCA Suzanne Brooks (OH) discussed effective strategies for improving communication and cooperation with internal stakeholders and with other states, two key elements of the Interstate Compact. At APAI, Commissioner Tracy Hudrlik (MN) presented common decision-making points and implications of the Interstate Compact rules and processes relevant to parole board members.

DCA Alyssa Miller (ND) in collaboration with the DCA Liaison Committee and the national office, led a project to update and improve the Commission's resources. These include a redesign, implementation of new ticket handling efficiencies (AI Bot), content cleanup of the ICAOS Support site, new dashboard training resources as well as a New DCA Toolkit for the new DCA Success Program launching this fall to be utilized by the DCA Liaison Committee. She thanked states who provided their feedback to improve these tools.

Other new resources include a new ICOTS Training Bulletin addressing warrant execution management and a best practice shared by New York for ensuring timely warrants. The Commission can find these resources on the ICAOS Support Site.

Commissioner A. Vorachek (ND) moved to accept the Training, Education & Public Relations Committee Report as presented. Commissioner D. Littler (AZ) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Rules Committee Report

Commissioner S. Gagnon (ME), the Rules Committee Chair, thanked the Rules Committee members and the national office staff for their hard work. The Rules Committee members are Commissioner Chris Moore (GA), Commissioner Brook Mamizuka (HI), Commissioner Martha Danner (MD), Commissioner Roberta Cohen (NM), Commissioner Robert Maccarone (NY), Commissioner Amy Vorachek (ND), Commissioner Katrina Ransom (OH), DCA Tim Strickland (FL), DCA Matthew Reed (PA), and DCA Brenna Kojis (WI).

The committee's mission is to administer the Commission's rulemaking procedures and objectively review or develop rule change proposals as appropriate.

The committee's FY2023 goals are:

- Review rule proposals and make recommendations to the proposing entity to adopt, revise, or withdraw, as appropriate.

- Review public comment on proposed rules.
- Present the proposed rule amendments for Commission's vote.
- Review prevailing issues to determine rule amendment needs.

She presented the proposal to amend Rule 5.108 for Commission's consideration and vote. She encouraged all commissioners to voice their opinions on the proposal.

Proposal to amend rules:

RULE 5.108-PROBABLE CAUSE HEARING IN RECEIVING STATE

(a) An offender subject to retaking that may result in a revocation shall be afforded the opportunity for a probable cause hearing before a neutral and detached hearing officer in or reasonably near the place where the alleged violation occurred.

(b) No waiver of a probable cause hearing shall be accepted unless accompanied by an admission by the offender to 1 or more violations of the conditions of supervision that would result in the pursuance of revocation of supervision in the receiving state and require retaking.

(c) A copy of a judgment of conviction regarding the conviction of a new criminal offense by the offender shall be deemed conclusive proof that an offender may be retaken by a sending state without the need for further proceedings.

(d) The offender shall be entitled to the following rights at the probable cause hearing:

1. Written notice of the alleged violation(s);
2. Disclosure of non-privileged or non-confidential evidence regarding the alleged violation(s);
3. The opportunity to be heard in person and to present witnesses and documentary evidence relevant to the alleged violation(s);
4. The opportunity to confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, unless the hearing officer determines that a risk of harm to a witness exists.

(e) The receiving state shall prepare and submit to the sending state a written report within 10 business days of the hearing that identifies the time, date and location of the hearing; lists the parties present at the hearing; and includes a clear and concise summary of the testimony taken and the evidence relied upon in rendering the decision. Any evidence or record generated during a probable cause hearing shall be forwarded to the sending state.

(f) If the hearing officer determines that there is probable cause to believe that the offender has committed the alleged violations of conditions of supervision that would result in the pursuance of revocation of supervision, the receiving state ~~shall~~ may hold the offender in custody, and the sending state shall, within 15 business days of receipt of the hearing officer's report, notify the receiving state of the decision to retake or other action to be taken.

(g) If probable cause is not established, the receiving state shall:

1. Continue supervision if the offender is not in custody.
2. Notify the sending state to vacate the warrant, and continue supervision upon release if the offender is in custody on the sending state's warrant.
3. Vacate the receiving state's warrant and release the offender back to supervision within 24 hours of the hearing if the offender is in custody.

Justification:

The “shall” requirement in subsection f. of Rule 5.108 is not a requirement of the Supreme Court decision that Rule 5.108 is based upon and it puts some compact member states in violation of the requirement because they have no statutory authority to hold a person in custody pending the decision from the sending state. Holding an offender in custody following the outcome of a probable cause hearing or signed waiver should be at the discretion of the hearing officer or authority in the receiving state in accordance with local procedures. Revising the verbiage from “shall” to “may” will still allow states the option to hold an offender in custody.

Commissioner M. Pevey (WA) moved to approve proposal to amend Rule 5.108(f) as presented. Commissioner J. Lopez (WI) seconded. Motion passed 37 to 10.

Chair M. Hudson (IN) stated that the Commission received a resignation letter from Chief Executive Officer Talucci requesting removal of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) from the Commission’s ex-officio list as IACP was prioritizing their bandwidth and wished to take their responsibility of active engagement seriously.

Proposal to create/amend ICAOS Bylaws:***Section 2. Ex-Officio Members***

The Commission membership shall also include but are not limited to individuals who are not commissioners and who shall not have a vote, but who are members of interested organizations. Such non-commissioner members must include a representative of the National Governors Association, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the Conference of Chief Justices, the National Association of Attorneys General and the National Organization for Victim Assistance. In addition representatives of the National Institute of Corrections, the American Probation and Parole Association, Association of Paroling Authorities International, the Interstate Commission for Juveniles, the Association of Prosecuting Attorneys, the Conference of State Court Administrators, the National Sheriff’s Association, the American Jail Association, the National Association of Police Organizations, National Association for Public Defense ~~and the National District Attorneys Association and the International Association of Chief of Police~~ may be ex-officio members of the Commission.

Justification:

At the request of Chief Executive Officer Vincent Talucci, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) asked to be removed as an ex-officio member due to its reported inability to actively participate in the Commission's business, as they prioritize their responsibility for active engagement.

Commissioner S. Turner (KY) moved to approve ICAOS Bylaws change removing the International Association of Chief of Police as an ex-officio as presented. Commissioner D. Blanchard (UT) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Guest Speaker

Chair M. Hudson (IN) introduced Emily Hitchings, the Programming Director for the National Emergency Responder and Public Safety Center. Her service to the community includes 17 years

as a police officer for the Aurora Colorado Police Department in a variety of uniform and undercover assignments, including patrol, fugitive apprehension, vice, and narcotics.

Ms. Hitchings is recognized state-wide for her work and has been instrumental in establishing and building employee support programs for departments of all sizes throughout the country. Her diverse career has fostered an evolving and continued passion to better help responders and their families navigate professional and personal life demands. As the Programming Director, she is a key creator of peer support training and resources that help educate and empower the community she serves.

Ms. Hitchings presented on *How to Get Gritty When Things Get Shitty*.

Face-to-face Committee Meetings

Chair M. Hudson (IN) reminded the commission members about the next agenda item - face-to-face committee meetings. She invited everyone who did not serve on a committee to attend a committee meeting of their interest.

The Commission recessed for lunch and face-to-face Committee meetings.

Don't be Just a Rule Follower

Commissioner J. Stromberg (OR) reminded the Commission that at last year's business meeting, the Commission saw the premier of *The Road Home: A Compact Documentary* film produced in collaboration with Director Devin Tau, No Sunrise Wasted, and the National Institute of Corrections. The film was an opportunity to see the Compact from multiple lenses and tell the real-life stories of adults who transfer through the Compact. The documentary concluded with interviews of the individuals featured in the film and discussions with the film's director.

Commissioner J. Stromberg (OR) presented a follow-up video with updates from the documentary participants on their supervision successes and challenges since the release of the film last year. The documentary is posted on the Commission's website.

Chair M. Hudson (IN) and Vice Chair M. Pevey (WA) led an interactive session that focused on practical applications of ICAOS Rules given the advancements in sentencing and supervision practices with the special emphasis on behavior change and supervision.

Award Presentations

Chair M. Hudson (IN) presented the *Executive Chair Award* to Commissioner Jeremiah Stromberg (OR). Commissioner Stromberg has proven himself as an active and influential leader, having served as the former Commission Chair for four years and as a member of the Executive Committee for nine years. Jeremiah is a dedicated supporter of growth, principled change, and public safety, which demonstrates his commitment to Interstate Compact and the field of corrections.

Executive Director A. Lippert presented the *Executive Director Award* to DCA Alyssa Miller (ND). As a member of the DCA Liaison Committee, DCA Miller has played a key role in the successful

launch of initiatives like the New Mentorship Program and the upgrade to the Commission's Support Site.

Vice-Chair M. Pevey presented the *Peyton Tuthill Award* to Victim Advocate Christy Bertera (FL). While not professionally involved in the Compact, Mrs. Bertera's outstanding contributions uphold ICAOS' mission to promote public safety, improve offender outcomes, and protect victims.

Old Business/ New Business

Justice Reinvestment Initiative Grant: Executive Director A. Lippert reminded the Commission about the Justice Reinvestment Grant. The grant offered funding for an automated subscription notification service (SNS) that sends notifications to supervision officials when arrest warrants are issued for offenders whose supervision has been transferred to another state.

She continued that the service works by states subscribing to the NLETS (National Law Enforcement Telecommunication System) hosted notification service that executes CJIS queries at the state-level environment. The service establishes an automated and auditable warrant status 'check' for compact offenders. The notification process involves monitoring for a triggering event, either the issuance of an arrest warrant or contact with law enforcement in another state, and then alerting the subscriber.

Currently, there is no automated or reliable way for states to check the warrant status for the 56,000 compact offenders that transfer their supervision each year. Supervision officials have no means to learn that a warrant is issued without specifically querying national wanted person systems.

She continued that the benefits of the subscription include notifications sent to receiving state supervision officials when a warrant is forwarded to the NCIC wanted person file; notices also occur if a compact offender has an encounter with law enforcement that prompts a warrants check; offenders, including non-compact offenders, are automatically entered into the NCIC supervised release file, broadening the scope of "triggering events" monitored by the SNS.

Executive Director A. Lippert called on two pilot states to share their experience with the notification service.

Commissioner D. Littler (AZ) noted that Arizona volunteered to be a pilot state for this project. She stated that the service was a "game changer" for the officers' safety. Both probation and parole notifications go directly to Commissioner Littler (probation) and DCA Poyzer (parole). They review the notifications and forward them to the officers. On October 10, Arizona is meeting with SEARCH to discuss adding their data into the supervised release file.

DCA S. Brooks (OH) shared her experience as the other pilot state for this project. She said that the setup process was lengthy, but the benefits outweighed the wait. The state plans to go live in a few weeks. She noted that in addition to the officers' safety, they favored the swift and certain actions regarding the violation behavior.

Executive Director A. Lippert noted that there was one year left on the grant and encouraged interested states to reach out to the national office should they wish to participate.

Officers and Committee Chairs Recognition: Chair M. Hudson (IN) recognized past region chairs for their service and dedication: East Region Chair Dale Crook (VT), Midwest Region Chair Amy Vorachek (ND), South Region Chair Julie Kempker (MO), and West Region Chair Taryn Link (AK).

Legal Counsel T. Travis administered the oath of office to newly elected region chairs: East Region Chair Dale Crook (VT), Midwest Region Chair Amy Vorachek (ND), South Region Chair Steve Turner (KY), and West Region Chair Taryn Link (AK).

Call to Public: Chair M. Hudson (IN) opened the floor for public comments. No comments were received.

Chair M. Hudson (IN) announced that the 2024 Annual Business meeting will take place on September 9-11, 2024, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Adjourn

Commissioner M. Pevey (WA) moved to adjourn. Commissioner J. Kempker (MO) seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 4:18 pm ET.