



Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision

Midwest Region Meeting MINUTES

May 13, 2019 · 1:00 PM ET
Teleconference

Members in Attendance:

1. Russell Marlan (MI), Chair
2. Dara Matson (IL)
3. Mary Kay Hudson (IN)
4. Charles Lauterbach (IA)
5. Hope Cooper (KS)
6. Allen Godfrey (MN)
7. Amy Vorachek (ND)
8. Doug Clark (SD)
9. Joselyn Lopez (WI)

Members not in Attendance:

1. Jacey Rader (NE)
2. Sara Andrews (OH)

Guests:

1. Simona Hammond (IA)
2. Joel Gruber (IN)
3. Turran Blazier (IN)
4. Matt Billinger (KS)
5. Daryn Cobb (MI)
6. Janice Young (ND)
7. Catherine Corbet (NE)
8. Sally Reinhardt-Stewart (NE)
9. Suzanne Brooks (OH)
10. Sarah Ball (SD)
11. Cheryl Frost (SD)
12. Mary Evans (WI)

Staff:

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

Call to Order

Commissioner R. Marlan (MI) called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm ET. Nine voting members were present, a quorum was established.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Commissioner M. Hudson (IN) moved to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Commissioner A. Godfrey (MN) seconded. Agenda approved.

Commissioner M. Hudson (IN) moved to approve the minutes from January 30, 2019 as drafted. Commissioner H. Cooper (KS) seconded. Minutes approved.

Discussion

Discussion of New Rule Proposals - Reconsider Midwest Proposal to Rule 1.101 & 2.110: Chair R. Marlan (MI) stated on advice of ICAOS Legal Counsel, the Rules Committee recommended against adopting the amendment to Rule 1.101& 2.110 proposed by the Midwest Region and asked the region to withdraw it.

He added the use of the terms “reside in” created more ambiguity as to the legal interpretation of who was a resident for purposes of the application of this rule. In addition, the term “relocate” was used in Article I of the ICAOS Statute and adding the terms “or reside in” would create a potential conflict between the ICAOS Rules and the Compact Statute.

Commissioner A. Godfrey (MN) moved to withdraw the Midwest Region proposal to Rule 1.101 & 2.110. Commissioner M. Hudson (IN) seconded. Motion passed.

Region Chair & DCA Region Chair Election Information: Chair R. Marlan (MI) advised the region about the upcoming region chair election. The election will take place on October 8, 2019. He expressed his interest in continuing to serve as the Midwest region chair, he also encouraged other commissioners to run.

DCA Region Chair M. Billinger (KS) stated that the DCA Region chair election would take place electronically in August 2019.

AP 02-2018 Enhancement Requests for Electronic System Authorized by the Commission: Chair R. Marlan (MI) informed the region about the recently approved Administrative Policy 02-2018 Enhancement Requests for Electronic System Authorized by the Commission. This policy provides an orderly process for Commission members to recommend ICOTS enhancements and outlines how to submit enhancement requests and changes to the Technology Committee for consideration and action. He added that the new enhancement process mimics the rule amendment process and gives all Commissioners an opportunity to provide their input.

Executive Director A. Lippert stated that the DCA Liaison Committee forwarded two enhancement proposals to the Technology Committee for consideration and approval.

Executive Committee Update: Executive Director A. Lippert provided the Executive Committee meeting update:

The Executive Committee met face-to-face on March 19, 2019 in Louisville, KY. The committee approved the 2019 ABM agenda. The agenda includes a Rule Proposals Discussion, Supervision

in the Receiving State session, Opioid Initiative Panel, Ex-Officio Presentation, Executive Session for Commissioners, DCA Session, and face-to-face committee meetings. The Training Committee and the DCA Liaison Committee were tasked to work on the 2019 Annual Business Meeting content.

The Executive Committee decided the FY 2021 audit would focus on compliance of warrants based on standards, which will be set at the conclusion of the FY 2020 audit.

The Executive Committee instructed ICAOS Legal Counsel to write an advisory opinion to address questions raised by the DCA Liaison Committee around reopening absconder cases.

Since 2004, ICAOS published 52 advisory opinions. The national office completed a comprehensive review of the ICAOS advisory opinions – sixteen of which were retired due to the issues being resolved via rule changes or no longer being applicable; six opinions were revised; and thirty had no recommended changes.

The ICAOS Bench Book underwent a thorough editorial revision. The Bench Book was originally drafted in 2005 and while updated for rule amendments, no additional commentary or editorial review had occurred since. The recent review rewrote chapters 1 and 5; checked all case law references for accuracy; and reviewed and edited all chapters for grammar, tense, consistency, and clarity. The national office is working on a searchable website tool to cross reference the Bench Book with advisory opinions, rules, white papers, and trainings.

In April, the national office launched the ICAOS Dashboard Compliance Email Notifications. The email includes a snapshot of the graphs for each of the six monitored compliance standards, as well as a PDF attachment containing the entire report. This eliminated the need to login to review your state's compliance status. These screenshots will help compact members to identify areas of compliance that need attention. If a state chooses to examine their compliance performance in more detail, a link to the ICAOS Dashboards is included at the bottom of the email.

The Rules Committee met face-to-face on April 9, 2019 in Louisville, KY. The committee discussed the rule proposals to post on the commission's website. The proposals will be available for review and comments from May 1- July 1, 2019. The committee also discussed warrants and related timelines.

New Business

DCA S. Reinhardt-Stewart (NE) inquired about a notice from the West Virginia Parole Board requesting receiving states to include an affidavit signed by the arresting officer when returning offenders.

DCA S. Brooks (OH) stated that Ohio did not receive any complaints associated with this matter.

The national office did not receive any complaints associated with this matter.

Adjourn

Commissioner C. Lauterbach (IA) moved to adjourn. Commissioner A. Godfrey (MN) seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 1:36 pm ET.