**INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR ADULT OFFENDER SUPERVISION**

**STATE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**November 7, 2024**

**10:00 TO 11:00 AM (CST)**

**TEAMS Meeting**

**PRESENT:**

### Brad Lewandowski, Director of Parole, Krista Heeren-Graber, Victims Advocate, Hank Prim, Division of Criminal Investigation, Tim Reisch, State Legislator.

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Sarah Spader, Deputy Compact Administrator for Parole; Karena Cassidy, South Dakota Parole Administrative Office Senior Secretary (Recorder),

**REVIEW / APPROVE MAY 2024 MINUTES**

Brad Lewandowski made a motion to approve theMay 2024 minutes. Krista Heeren-Graber seconded the motion. All members voting aye, the motion carried.

**DISCUSSION**

**DCA REPORTS**

Sarah Spader updated the council on the following: South Dakota remains well above the threshold of 80% for compliance in both parole and probation by being in the high 90%s to 100%. Sarah has conducted new agent and institutional case manager training in October. Director Frieberg was not available to report on probation, but Sarah reported that both probation and parole compliance is still above national averages. Training involved both parole field staff and institutional staff and covered ICAOS policy and ICOTS processes. Sarah presents refresher training at the statewide level to all areas as needed. Sarah completed the annual State Council membership details. Sarah continues to be a member of the Compliance Committee and will attend meetings.

**2024 ABM HIGHLIGHTS**

The Annual Business Meeting was held in Scottsdale, AZ September 2024. This year was not a rules year, but workgroups met to discuss “rules recognized for revision” where participants could make remarks on suggestions for rule amendments. Commission heard Region and Committee reports. Commission voted on how to fund the new case management system with South Dakota voting to spread the cost over several fiscal years.

**LANGUAGE CHANGE VOTE RESULTS**

Commission voted on replacing the use of the word “offender” with “supervised individual” in all ICAOS Rules. South Dakota voted no. This verbiage does not line up with most of South Dakota’s current verbiage and takes into consideration the concerns voiced by victim’s advocates. The rule passed and the language change will go into effect.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Director Lewandowski and Director Frieberg SD participated in a National Office assessment examining the “retaken and retransferred” cases under the compact. A workgroup studied the original reason for transfer, risk level, and type of violation resulting in retaking and whether gradual sanctions and use of other corrective actions occurred PRIOR to the submission of a violation report requiring retaking.

Several regions are considering proposing amendments to rules pertaining to how and when a person should be considered for retransfer as well as timelines for when an offender can report and time allowed for sending state to submit paperwork.

The FY2024 Annual report was distributed to our stakeholders in October.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Director Lewandowski informed the Board that the next ABM will be held Sept. 30-Oct. 1 in Puerto Rico. This will be a Rules year.

Next SD State Council Meeting to be scheduled in Spring after the rules committee posts the rule amendments that are up for comment and votes.

Respectfully submitted by

Karena Cassidy,

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Senior Secretary.