

**Florida State Council for Interstate Adult
Offender Supervision Meeting Minutes
Jacksonville, FL
October 14, 2021
9:00 am – 2:00 pm**

Council Members in Attendance:

Joe Winkler, Adrian Soud, Pat Tuthill, Frank LeDee, Tommy Ford

Council Members Not in Attendance:

Keith Perry

Council Guests in Attendance:

Angella New, Tim Strickland, Chris Lane, Tammi Schimming, Julie Eveslage, Jennifer Whipple, Tricia Lindo, Brenda Mintell, Judy Thompson, Cheryl Kauffman, Sharon Davis, Richard Dykes, Alfie Frazier, Weldene Vaneps, Deborah Ridgway-Harrison, William Sapp

Opening Comments: Joe Winkler began meeting at 9:12 am, Angella New called roll, quorum present

Welcome and Introduction, Joe Winkler

- Joe Winkler, Assistant Secretary of Community Corrections, Chairperson for Florida's State Council of Interstate Adult Offender Supervision

Victims Update, Lisa Kinard

- Victim Services Unit (VSU) serves as a victim's point of contact with other areas of the Department
- Assist victims of crimes committed by offenders in our custody or under our supervision
- Notify victims prior to an inmate release to supervision
- Help victims understand the post-conviction process
 - Focus on what we CAN do for the victims, that than what we cannot
- Liaison between victims and supervising staff to ensure victims are heard and their rights are upheld
- Ensure victims are considered within the incarceration and supervision processes
- Especially important role for Interstate Compact transfer cases, where the victim may understand the laws in their state but no those in the sending or receiving state
- Serve as the Statewide VINE Administrators for FDC inmates, supervise offenders and all 69 county jails inmates
 - Provide status change notifications to registered victims

Suggestions for Other Members/Vacancies, Joe Winkler

- SAO – RJ DeRizzo
- Clerks – not much impact
- PD – Again, not much impact
- Central Florida not represented

- Legislative member (not always available)

Recap from Last Meeting, Angella New

- Review of mission statement
- Goals and priorities

Recap of ABM, Joe Winkler/Tim Strickland

- 09-26-28-22 in NYC
- This year was virtual
- Bylaw – Nat District Atty Org is ex officio member
- Rule changes – 4-1-22
 - Resident definition changed to 1 yr. prior to the sentencing date or beginning of supv
 - Clarification to PC hearing and tech violations – can request if revo likely and admission must be to revocable offense
 - Standardized the time for all warrants issued – All – 15 business days from date received or failed to return
 - 2 days for field to get notifications
 - 3 to get to court
 - 10 business days to get through court and into NCIC
 - Judge Soud – Need to move to technology – Ewarrants
 - These SHOULD include current victim information and be flagged as confidential so not printed and released, except for court and SAO.
- ICOTS change for warrant tracking system
 - Dashboard and self-auditing

Travel Request and RFRI, Tim Strickland

- Reviewed the rules on how an offender can qualify for Florida to request reporting instructions
 - Allow an offender to proceed to the receiving state while the transfer request is being investigated
- Reviewed Rules 3.101-1, 3.103 & 3.106
 - Stressed that until the receiving state provides approval for an offender to proceed to their state they must remain in Florida.
 - A Florida court cannot order the offender to proceed to a receiving state.
- Only Rule 3.103, living in the receiving state at the time of sentencing,
 - Allows for an offender to be able to proceed, except for sex offenders, prior to submission of and approval of a request for reporting instructions

Transfers, Chris Lane

- Reviewed the Interstate Compact Eligibility Guide and reasons for transfers
 - Reviewed and discussed the requirements for an offender to qualify for transfer
 - Reviewed the reasons/justifications for transfer
 - Reviewed eligible misdemeanor offense criteria
- Discussion on use of regular hotel for sex offenders

- Discussion on requirement to accept SO who meets mandatory criteria. Judge feels this could be challenged.

Goals, Plans, Training Topics, Angella New

- Reiterated the purpose of the Compact and the State Council (see July minutes)
- Any short-or long-term plans
- Discussions regarding judicial training, specifically in Circuit 04 and an opportunity to provide to a statewide audience at the Circuit Judges Conference
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Application Fees, Angella New

- Provided break down of states and their fees and North Carolina notification form
- Several areas and aspects were discussed to include legislation changes, application fee amount, possible fund expenditures; process for establishing the fund, when or how it is applied-the mechanism to request the fee
- Inquiries regarding the overall cost of transfer-staff hours/workload
- Tabled for additional review, presentation, and a follow-up discussion in November

Next Meeting – Date/Location; Objectives, Joe Winkler

- Virtual in November
- In-person February 2022

Closing Comments:

- Look at calendars for next quarterly meeting

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm

Upcoming Events: