INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR ADULT OFFENDER SUPERVISION
EAST REGION MEETING MINUTES

February 10, 2014
2:00 pm ET
WebEx

Members in Attendance:
1. Michael Potteiger  Chair, PA
2. Karl Hines  DE
3. Gary Roberge  CT
4. Mike McAlister  NH
5. James Plousis  NJ
6. Scott McCaffery  ME
7. Raquel Colon  PR
8. Dale Crook  VT
9. A.T. Wall  RI

Members not in Attendance:
1. Josh Wall  MA
2. Andrea Evans  NY
3. Warrington Chapman  VI

Guests:
1. Carlo Pini  DE
2. Natalie Latulippe  CT
3. Craig Schindewolf  NJ
4. L. Queenan  RI
5. Donna Pratt  VT
6. Kay Longenberger  PA
7. Margaret Thompson  PA
8. Matthew Charton  NY
9. Tony Companion  NY
10. John Gusz  NJ
11. Jeanne Stewart  NH
12. Caitlin Casey  MA
13. Ed McDermott  MA
Call to Order
Commissioner M. Potteiger (PA) called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm ET. Nine of 12 voting members were present, quorum was established.

Agenda
Commissioner J. Plousis (NJ) moved to approve agenda. Commissioner S. McCaffery (ME) seconded. Agenda was approved as drafted.

Minutes
Commissioner J. Plousis (NJ) moved to approve the minutes from August 27, 2014. Commissioner M. McAlister (NH) seconded. Minutes approved as written.

Discussion
ICOTS VINEWatch Status: The Region discussed ICOTS VINEWatch and its implementation.

Commissioner D. Crook (VT) stated that Vermont is working on details to implement the system.

The Connecticut compact office attended the ICOTS VINEWatch training and met with the Office of Victims Advocate. Connecticut plans to further discuss the system during its state council meeting in March 2014.

Commissioner K. Hines (DE) inquired about the differences between ICOTS VINEWatch and VINE Link.

Assistant Director S. Razor stated that ICOTS VINEWatch is integrated with ICOTS System with offender data being drawn from ICOTS system. VINE Link is a separate Appriss product that typically integrates with state prison systems.

New Jersey is partnering with Attorney General Office to help them to understand the process.

Commissioner A. T. Wall (RI) inquired about the funding sources for the implementation of the system. Rhode Island has budget deficit.

Commissioner D. Crook (VT) stated that he is not expecting the system to be costly to Vermont.

Federal Indian Reservations: The region discussed federal Indian reservations in light of the recent survey.
DCA J. Gusz (NJ) stated that his state has one reservation with no residents.

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) stated that Connecticut has one reservation. He receives full cooperation from the reservation if there are any common cases.

Commissioner A.T. Wall (RI) stated that Rhode Island has tribal land, but no pending supervision cases.

ICOTS: The Region discussed Offender Violation Reports and the final progress reports submitted with violation information not previously reported.

The Region discussed having two face-to-face meeting in addition to the ABM meeting. Commissioner M. Potteiger (PA) will email all commissioners to count the votes.

**States Update**

*Delaware* has a new director of Probation and Parole.

*Connecticut* recently filled two key positions in the compact office. The staff is training field officers on the new rule amendments.

*New Hampshire* is experiencing problems with a budget shortage.

*New Jersey*: Probation is working on providing the ICAOS rule training. Some training sessions have been cancelled due to the winter storm.

*Maine*: Commissioner S. McCaffery complimented Potteiger on having a quorum.

*Rhode Island*: K. Dunphy retired. L. Queenan is the acting DCA.

*Pennsylvania*: J. Stone is the new Victims’ Advocate for Pensylvania.

*New York* has begun preliminary discussions on ICOTS VINEWatch implementation.

**Committees’ Update**: Commissioner D. Crook (VT) informed the region about the face-to-face ABM Planning Workgroup meeting that took place in February 2014. The Workgroup will be meeting again via WebEx in March 2014.

Commissioner M. Potteiger (PA) updated the Region on the Ad Hoc on Border Issues face-to-face committee meeting. The ad hoc committee had an open dialog with local judges at the meeting. The Committee sent out a survey to poll commissioners on border issues.

Commissioner M. Potteiger (PA) reminded the region about the new rules trainings.

Assistant Director S. Razor informed the region about following:

- Launched Compliance Dashboard
eBook Benchbook will be launched on March 1, 2014
Approved rules amendments will be in effect on March 1, 2014
The national office is migrating servers from a local vendor to Amazon Web Services.
ICOTS VINEWatch has 30 users registered
The Technology Committee is reviewing the ICOTS enhancements list
Recent ICOTS disrupting events were due to Appriss problems with its systems
Fusion center project was completed in NY state
Rules and the DCA Liaison Committees will be meeting in February 2014
35 states have reported their state council membership per ICAOS State Council policy
AO 1-2014 is now available on the commission’s website.

Commissioner M. Potteiger (PA) asked the Region members to reply on tolling issue by M. Thompson.

Adjourn
Commissioner J. Plousis (NJ) moved to adjourn. Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm ET.