Members in Attendance:
1. Ken Merz  Chairman, MN
2. Milt Gilliam  Vice-Chair, OK
3. Kevin Kempf  Treasurer, ID
4. Linda Janes  OH
5. Dori Ege  AZ
6. William Rankin  WI
7. Kathie Winckler  TX
8. Chris Norman  AL
9. Mike McAlister  NH
10. Ed Gonzales  NM
11. Wayne Theriault  ME

Members not in Attendance
1. Warren Emmer  ND
2. Pat Tuthill  Ex-Officio, FL

Staff:
1. Harry Hageman
2. Sam Razor
3. Rick Masters  Legal Counsel
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Call to Order

Chairman K. Merz (MN) called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm PDT. Eleven out of twelve voting members were present. Quorum was established.

Discussion

Chairman K. Merz (MN) welcomed the new South Region Chair, Commissioner C. Norman.
Chairman K. Merz informed the Committee about the Commissioner W. Emmer’s retirement. The Region Chairs will inform their regions about the DCA Liaison Committee Chair’s opening.

The Committee discussed trainings provided at the Annual Business Meeting 2009.

Commissioner D. Ege informed the Committee that she received positive verbal feedback on the trainings. She suggested applying a different approach for the Commissioners Training.

Executive Director H. Hageman suggested incorporating round table discussions and individual group projects to the Commissioner Training.

Commissioner D. Ege suggested inviting locals (judges, etc) to these trainings and engaging them in different relevant to everybody discussions.

Commissioner M. Gilliam suggested bringing an outside speaker and/or moderator.

Executive Director H. Hageman suggested giving an assignment to the commissioners prior to the Annual Business Meeting. At the training, the commissioners will discuss their assignment and propose their solutions.

Commissioner K. Kempf noted that many commissioners did not speak during the General Session, due to the room’s set-up specifics.

Executive Director H. Hageman suggested introducing different topics to initiate discussions and inviting a facilitator to manage the discussions.

Commissioner W. Theriault suggested assigning each region a topic to work on throughout the year to present it at the General Session for discussion.

Commissioner K. Winckler emphasized the importance of scheduling the General Session for the whole day, rather than just half of the day.

Executive Director H. Hageman suggested indentifying local parole and probation issues and relating them to the Compact. R. Maccarone’s project can be a topic for the East Region.

The Committee discussed the DCA Training Institute (2010). The National Office is in the process of negotiating a contract for the training institute. Commissioner W. Theriault suggested scheduling the DCA Training Institute in September, rather than July or August 2010, due to possible attendees’ summer vacation schedule conflicts.

Commissioner K. Winckler informed the Committee that DCA A. Tolley (KY) would like to know whether a DCA could be elected as a chair of a standing committee and/or serve as a voting member of a standing committee.

Legal Counselor R. Masters informed the Committee that it is a policy question that requires possible modification of the Bylaws.
After the discussion, the Committee decided to discuss this issue at its next meeting.

Committee adjourned at 4:16 m PDT.