INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR ADULT OFFENDER SUPERVISION
MID-WEST REGION MEETING

August 2, 2007
2:00 p.m. EDT
WebEx

Members in Attendance:
1. Ken Merz - Minnesota
2. Jane Seigel - Indiana
3. Jeanette Bucklew - Iowa
4. Keven Pellant - Kansas
5. Harry Hageman - Ohio
6. Wanda LaCour - Ex-Officio, Missouri

Guests:
1. Marcella Shortt
2. Katrina Ransom
3. David Geffre
4. Jenny Bauer
5. Mary Kay Brand
6. Rose Ann Bisch
7. Cynthia Johneson
8. Charles Lauterbach

Staff:
1. Ashley Hassan
2. Xavier Donnelly
3. Sam Razor
4. Barno Saturday

Call to Order

• K. Merz called the meeting to order at 2.04 p.m. EST. Five out of eleven members were presented. Quorum was not established.

Approval of Agenda

• J. Seigel moved to approve the agenda. K. Pellant seconded. Agenda was approved.
Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from May 23, 2007 were not submitted prior to the meeting; K. Merz suggested approving the minutes from May 23, 2007 at the next MidWest Region meeting.

Reports from Executive Committee

- **NACIS Lawsuit status**
  
  K. Merz and H. Hageman stated that the lawsuit was settled prior to going to arbitration session. Additional $50,000 dollars were paid. By the agreement, neither side can disclose any information about the other.

- **Executive Director Search Status.**
  
  Harry Hageman, the Deputy Director for the Division of Parole and Community Services, Ohio’s Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, is selected to be the New Executive Director of the ICAOS National Office.

- **Proposed Rules.** States should have received a reminder to post their comments for proposed Rules. The proposed rule changes will be discussed and voted at the next meeting.

Discussion on Financial Status of Commission.

S. Taylor gave a summary of the budget status he would present at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM). The Executive Committee met in June, in Cincinnati to discuss issues of annual fees and budget for 2009. In order to be able to pay all the bills and be prepared for any kind of unexpected expenses, a 5-6% annual increase of dues will be recommended by Finance Committee.

K. Merz asked states to prepare regional annual/semi-annual update reports for Annual Business Meeting in Orlando, FL.

State Updates:

- **Indiana** – J. Seigel: Office is currently looking for a new victim representative and planning to have the State Council meeting before the ABM.

- **Iowa** – J. Bucklew stated that the office was in process of reorganizing the State Council in relationship to the new governor’s office and the new distribution of legislative power.

- **Kansas** – K. Pellant: the State of Council requires a reappointment of legislative persons, which is scheduled before the ABM.

- **Minnesota** – K. Merz: Minnesota received additional funding for their interstate unit for two additional staff positions and permanent funding for dues. The State Council meeting will be held in August.

- **Nebraska** – M. Shortt: Nebraska will have some new people on the Council, and will have the State Council meeting sometime before the ABM.

- **Ohio** – H. Hageman: Ohio will have a new commissioner. The victim representative resigned, another name is recommended. Ohio staff presented a
workshop on compact that was well attended at the Chief Probation Officer Association State Wide Conference. They are also doing individual training for parole probation officers. They have distributed a judicial bench book to every judge and municipal court and they were talking to a judicial conference about doing additional training for judges. In addition, they attended number of their conference compact trainings.

- **South Dakota** – *D. Geffre*: They are looking for a replacement of victim representative, so far without success. Council meeting will be held in November.

- **Missouri** – *W. LaCour*: They are in the process of reappointing some Council members. In June, training was provided across the State to private probation agencies. The State Council Meeting will be held in November.

**Old Business**

- There was no Old business.

**New Business**

- There was no New Business.

K. Merz reminded that there would be two opportunities to meet as a region during the conference, and hoped that there would be some issues to discuss. He is going to send the framework of these meetings as soon as they are available.

H. Hageman made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 2:41 p.m. EDT.