INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR ADULT OFFENDER SUPERVISION
MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES
October 12, 2010
1 pm CDT
San Antonio, TX

Members in Attendance:
1. Sara Andrews  Chair, OH
2. Charles Lauterbach  IA
3. Ken Merz    MN
4. John Rubitschun  MI
5. Michelle Buscher  IL
6. Jane Seigel    IN
7. Ed Ligtenberg  SD
8. Kari Rumbaugh  NE
9. Keven Pellant  KS
10. William Rankin  WI
11. Leeann Bertsch  ND

Guests:
1. Sally Holewa    COSCA
2. S. Elwell      MN

Staff
1. Harry Hageman
2. Barno Saturday

Call to Order
Commissioner S. Andrews (OH) called the meeting to order at 1:08 pm CDT. All voting members were present establishing a quorum.

Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda made by Commissioner E. Ligtenberg (SD), seconded by Commissioner K. Merz (MN). Agenda was approved as drafted.
Minutes
Motion to approve August 18, 2010 minutes made by Commissioner K. Merz (MN), seconded by Commissioner J. Rubitschun (MI). Minutes were approved as drafted.

Discussion

Executive Committee Updates: Executive Director H. Hageman presented his report to the Region:

- Two states have not paid their annual dues.
  - The National Office sent a 30 day delinquent letter to IL.
  - S. Razor is working with CA to fill out newly required documents for payment.

- H. Hageman, S. Razor and X. Donnelly met with SEARCH to discuss the ICOTS transition. SEARCH recommended not to rebuild the system and not to support the system in-house due to high service cost.

- APPA uses its grant money to partner with ICAOS and build a more robust web service. This project will start in the beginning of 2011.

- The National Office processes 4-5 audits a month.

Commissioner K. Merz (MN) introduced Victim’s Representative S. Elwell (MN) to the Region.

Ad Hoc on Dues Committee Report: Commissioner M. Buscher (IL) informed the Region that the Ad Hoc on Dues Committee had not met since the last Midwest Region meeting.

Ad Hoc on Victims Issues Committee: Commissioner K. Pellant (KS) informed the Region that the Ad Hoc on Victims Issues Committee met earlier that day to discuss victims’ notifications in ICOTS and other issues.

The Region had discussion on rule amendments initiated by Commissioner W. Rankin (WI).

Commissioner S. Andrews (OH) introduced Ex-Officio S. Holewa (COSCA) to the Region.

State Updates

Illinois is working on forming its State Council – two members will be appointed only next month due to the November election.

Indiana: Staff is excited about the current audit. IN has not joined ICJ yet. IN is looking for having a combined State Council for ICJ and ICAOS. DCA A. Hegewald has retired from the Compact.

Iowa: Staff is seeing the audit as an opportunity to be evaluated. IA will have a State Council meeting in the upcoming months.

Kansas: Staff is enjoying the audit challenge. State Council will be reappointed after the November elections. State Council meets only twice a year.
**Michigan:** The State Council meets two times a year. Commissioner J. Rubitschun received recommendation from ASCA to vote for the rule proposals tomorrow.

**Minnesota:** The Juvenile Compact was officially enacted on August 1, 2010. DCA R. Bisch was appointed as the commissioner for ICJ. Commissioner K. Merz will be retiring by the end of the year.

**Nebraska:** The State Council passed the DNA law during its meeting on October 6, 2010. K. Rumbaugh appreciates states’ assistance with the DNA kits. The Compact Office is preparing for the audit. NE recently joined ICJ. NE has separate state councils for ICAOS and ICJ.

**North Dakota:** ND plans to provide judge trainings in the near future.

Executive Director H. Hageman suggested using the Technical and Training Assistance program’s resources.

**Ohio:** OH has recently adopted an $80 offender transfer fee.

**South Dakota:** The State Council meets twice a year. SD has budget issues.

**Wisconsin:** The State Council meets twice a year; its next meeting is scheduled for November 13. The Victim Representative position has not been filled since April 2010.

**New Business**

**Election of the Officers:** Commissioner S. Andrews (OH) encouraged Region members to run for officers’ positions and volunteer to participate in the committees.

Commissioner K. Merz (MN) made a motion to nominate Commissioner S. Andrews (OH) for the Vice-Chair position. Commissioner J. Rubitschun (MI) seconded. The motion passed.

Commissioner J. Seigel (IN) volunteered to be the Acting Midwest Region Chair for the Nomination Committee.

Commissioner K. Merz (MN) moved to appoint Commissioner J. Seigel (IN) as the Midwest Region Chair, if Commissioner S. Andrews (OH) is elected as the Vice-Chair. Commissioner K. Pellant (KS) seconded. The motion passed.

Commissioner K. Merz (MN) moved to nominate Commissioner C. Lauterbach (IA) for the Treasurer position. Commissioner E. Ligtenberg (SD) seconded. The motion passed.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner E. Ligtenberg (SD) seconded by Commissioner J. Rubitschun (MI). Meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm CDT.