Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm PST by D. Ege.

Roll Call

1. Dori Ege (AZ)
2. Lance Delmore (AZ)
3. Marita Williams (CA)
4. Syd Nakamoto (HI)
5. Dave Nelsen (ID)
6. Amy Wright (NV)
7. Scott Taylor (OR)
8. Denise Sitler (OR)
9. Lei Tupou (AK)
10. Doreen Geiger (WA)
11. Shane Sconce (WY)
12. Les Pozsgí (WY)
13. Mike Ferriter (MT)
14. Sally Skiver (CO)

Utah and New Mexico were not in attendance

Staff

1. Don Blackburn
2. Sheila Perry
3. Mindy Spring
**Bench book**

- D. Ege reports that 9 West region states have not responded to the bench book survey and reminds states to forward the order form/survey to judges and court administrators in their states.
- Wyoming requests that D. Blackburn send the reminder to them again.
- D. Geiger requests that the national office send the Washington stats regarding the bench book to her.
- D. Sitler stated that Oregon is working actively on disseminating the link.

**March Executive Committee Meeting**

- L. Tupou inquired about the reason(s) for the change of the NACIS implementation date. D. Ege noted that the main reason was time to prepare rule changes for NACIS.
- D. Blackburn announced that the system is still scheduled to be ready July 1, 2005. The Technology Committee is now looking into a phased in approach to implementation (SoftScape recommendation). This will allow for states for time for integration and training.
- D. Blackburn announced that the national training for NACIS is scheduled for October, 2005.
- D. Blackburn noted that there are a few states that are willing to use NACIS before implementation. These states will have to use 2 systems until all states have implemented.
- M. Ferriter suggests phasing in by region. D. Blackburn states that most of the volunteering states are in the south region.

**Misdemeanants**

- M. Ferriter stated that Montana did not pass its misdemeanor bill this year, but they are looking at it passing legislation in the next 2 years.
- D. Blackburn announced that the national office has a survey out to gather data on which states supervise misdemeanants.

**GPS for Sex Offenders**

- Discussion of states monitoring sex offenders using GPS. D. Blackburn stated that Tennessee, Florida, Arkansas, and Alabama just passed legislation to use GPS monitoring for sex-offenders.
- D. Ege noted that GPS is a special condition that Arizona cannot comply with.
- D. Blackburn noted that many times special conditions are used as reasons for denials. GPS is something that offenders can pay for themselves.
- M. Ferriter suggested that the national office list state’s sex offender registration requirements including special conditions such as what each state charges for GPS monitoring.
Lifetime Supervision

- Discussion of offenders on lifetime supervision. A. Wright stated that Nevada is working with legislation to bring offenders back to Nevada if they violate outside of state jurisdiction. Issues passing through legislation; therefore not a lot of offenders going out.

Executive Director’s Report

- L. Tupou noted that there is an issue in Alaska with the Interstate Compact and its authority to hold an offender in jail.
- D. Blackburn stated that there is a public defender in Florida with a similar issue inquiring about compact offenders and holding them.
- D. Blackburn announced that the 2004 Annual report has been disseminated.
- D. Blackburn reported that the National Office is looking into the Massachusetts bill to join the Compact. The new bill has been introduced by new legislation. The National Office will reach out through legal counsel, R. Masters, and CSG.
- D. Blackburn reported that the Virgin Islands does not have an update to it joining the Compact.
- D. Ege complimented the West Region and its methods used to work through issues.

New Business

The next meeting for the West Region is scheduled for May 24, 2005 at 2:00 EST.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by D. Ege at 3:10 pm PST.