INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR ADULT OFFENDER SUPERVISION
WEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2011
3:00 p.m. CDT
Renaissance Hotel
Montgomery, AL

Members in Attendance:
1. Edward Gonzales Chair, New Mexico
2. Cheryl Marlow Hawaii
3. Dawn Sides Wyoming
4. Dori Ege Arizona
5. Kevin Kempf Idaho
6. Kim Madris Nevada
7. Margarita Perez California
8. Marjorie Martin Washington
9. Mark Cadotte Oregon
10. Mike Mayer Utah
11. Pam Bunke Montana
12. Ronald Taylor Alaska
13. Tim Hand Colorado

Guests:
1. Sid Nakamoto (HI)
2. Michael Knott (HI)
3. Devon Whitefield (CO)
4. Frank Torres (CA)
5. Pat Odell (WY)
6. Joe White (CO)
7. Susan White (CO)
8. Sheryl Cudney (AZ)
9. Dale Dodd (NM)
10. Roberta Cohen (NM)
11. Cathy Gordon (MT)
12. Kathee Luth (AK)

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13. Jim Ingle (UT)  
14. Dawn Persels (OR)  
15. Shawn Arruti (NV)  
16. Judy Mesick (ID)  
17. Sen. Denton Darrington (ID)  

**Members Not in Attendance**  
None  

**Staff:**  
1. Xavier Donnelly  

**Call to Order**  
Commissioner E. Gonzales (NM) called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm CDT. Thirteen out of thirteen members were present. Quorum was established.  

**Agenda**  
Arizona made a motion to approve the agenda. Oregon seconded. Agenda was approved as drafted.  

**Minutes**  
October 12, 2010  
- Idaho made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 12, 2010 meeting. Alaska seconded. Minutes were approved as drafted.  

January 24, 2011  
- Four names were added to the guest list (Devon Whitefield, Joe White, Dawn Persels, and Kim Madris).  
- Arizona made a motion to approve the minutes from January 24, 2011 as amended. Oregon seconded. Minutes were approved as amended.  

April 26, 2011  
- Corrected the spelling of Roberta Cohen in guest list. Fixed spelling errors under Hawaii and Utah state updates. Added two names to guest list (Joe White, Dawn Persels).  
- Alaska made a motion to approve the minutes from April 26, 2011 as amended. Nevada seconded. Minutes were approved as amended.  

June 28, 2011  
- Removed extra “Roberta Cohen” from guest list. Added two names to guest list (Joe White, Dawn Persels). Corrected spelling of Mark Cadotte in Commissioner list.  
- Oregon made a motion to approve the minutes from June 28, 2011 as amended. Montana seconded. Minutes were approved by acclamation.  

**Discussion**  
Commissioner Involvement  

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Montana asked what was involved in serving on the Compliance Committee. Arizona discussed what is expected of a Commissioner serving on the Compliance Committee and explained the compliance process.

Arizona discussed what is expected of a Commissioner serving on the Finance Committee.

Oregon discussed his involvement on the Technology Committee.

Arizona explained the purpose of the DCA Liaison Committee and discussed what’s typically involved with serving on the committee.

Arizona discussed how the Rules Committee operates and how often it meets.

Arizona went on to discuss how often committee chairs meet with the Executive Committee.

**State Updates**

*Alaska:*
- No issues.

*Arizona:*
- Probation – There is still a vacancy to fill in the compact office. They are running self-audits to prepare for compliance audit via ICOTS and the external reports.
- Parole – Sending emails to other states to communicate regarding overdue activities.

*California:*
- Asking other states to send email requests directly to the Deputy Compact Administrator (Frank Torres).

*Colorado:*
- Some issues with putting offenders in VA hospital in Wyoming on compact supervision. More discussions to follow. Working to have probation and parole compact offices work together more closely.
- Sending standard letter to judges to help explain compact process and conditions of supervision.
- Spoke at last state council meeting about reaching out to Native American reservations about how compact process affects them.

*Hawaii:*
- New Commissioner for the last 4 months. Had a state council meeting during that time. Implemented monthly self-auditing in preparation for annual audit. There will be a required compact training for all officers on October 6, 2011.

*Idaho:*
- Discussed an example of the “Spirit of the Compact” with Nevada regarding communication back and forth that allowed a resolution of an issue.

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Montana:
- POs and supervisors took rules training offered by National Office. Met with state council on August 25, 2011 and discussed issues to bring to the Annual Business Meeting. The state council meeting was well-attended.

New Mexico:
- There is currently no director of probation and parole. New Mexico still does not have a state council appointed. Discussed seeing an increase in electronic monitoring sentencing by judges to go to other states without going through the compact.

Nevada:
- A few new people are making the transition into compact office positions.

Oregon:
- Survived the legislative session. There will be an October 5, 2011 training to cover the new rule amendments. There are still a lot of judges sentencing to bench probation for offenders going to another state. Arizona discussed new position paper written by ICAOS legal counsel.

Utah:
- This is the Commissioner’s first region meeting and Annual Business Meeting since being appointed 6 months ago. The commissioner acknowledged the hard work of Deputy Compact Administrator Jim Ingle. Also expressed a lot of interest in joining the Compliance Committee.

Washington:
- Washington is now charging a revocation fee at the time of application for compact offenders.
- Legislation is shortening the supervision end date on some compact cases.
- Also discussed issue of “importing offenders”. Xavier Donnelly of the National Office mentioned the state profile pages that display a lot of compact and offender demographic data.

Wyoming:
- Wyoming has a new Commissioner that has been on the job for 14 days.

Old Business
Arizona asked about discussion of issues from morning meeting during the main session.
Montana discussed issues arising from medical marijuana legislation.

New Business
Region Chair Election

Approved on 11/15/2011.B.S.
• Idaho made a motion to nominate Oregon for the position of West Region Chair. Arizona seconded. Oregon was elected West Region Chair by acclimation.

Vice-Chair Nomination
• Arizona discussed events that led to the Vice-Chair vacancy and explained this would not be a full term (2 years), but a 1 year term.
• Idaho expressed interest in the position of Vice-Chair.
• Arizona made a motion to nominate Idaho for the position of Vice-Chair. Nevada seconded. Motion to nominate Idaho for the Vice-Chair position passed by acclimation.

Roberta Cohen from New Mexico brought up some 3 significant violations issues and how those are being tracked and handled in their state and other states.

Added to the agenda for next meeting: Evaluate Rule 5.103 for possible amendment.

The West Region will meet again at 2:00 pm EST on November 15, 2011.

Adjourn
Arizona made a motion to adjourn. Oregon seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 pm CDT.