The regular meeting of the Kansas Interstate Compact Council was held February 27, 2004 in the Kansas Parole Board conference room. Members of the council present were Juliene Maska, Marilyn Scafe, Chris Mechler, Robert Sanders (as designee for Roger Werholtz), Chris Cowger, and JaLynn Copp. Jerry Bauer, Chris Langton, and Kimberly Schwant of the interstate compact unit were also in attendance.

Marilyn Scafe called the meeting to order. The minutes from the October 17, 2003 meeting were read and approved.

Marilyn Scafe advised that the council should appoint a vice-chairperson. Juliene Maska made a motion to appoint Chris Mechler the vice-chairperson. Motion carried.

Robert Sanders advised that the rules of the new compact were approved November 2, 2003 and will become effective August 1, 2004. Chris Mechler made a motion that the council form a subcommittee to bring Kansas into compliance of the compact by addressing those offenders who are being supervised by Kansas officers but live outside the State of Kansas. Motion carried. The subcommittee members are JaLynn Copp, Robert Sanders, Chris Mechler, Marilyn Scafe, and Jerry Bauer. The priorities for the subcommittee are to investigate any physical Kansas supervision offices located outside the state of Kansas that supervise Kansas offenders; identify any offenders who live outside the borders of Kansas but report to a Kansas officer by mail, in person, or by telephone; provide education and informational training opportunities to the jurisdictions to come into compliance with the compact.

The council discussed the proposed misdemeanor amendment to the rules. Juliene Maska motioned that the council not approve the amendment. Motion carried.

Training on the new rules is scheduled for March 14 – 16, 2004. Chris Mechler, Chris Langton, Phil Greer, Pat Jackson, and Colene Fischli will attend from Kansas. A meeting is scheduled for March 1, 2004 to formulate questions for the training. This group will develop a training schedule. The council will also ask for assistance from the National Office to speak with judges in Kansas.

Robert Sanders presented to the House Public Safety Budget subcommittee regarding the new compact. He discussed the status, rules, workload issues, ICAOS website, and the Kansas allocation.

Chris Cowger, Robert Sanders, Chris Mechler, and Marilyn Scafe will form a subcommittee to discuss instituting a compact application fee after the legal authority is obtained to charge such a fee.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.