Mississippi State Council  
Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision  
Minutes  
August 18, 2011

Attendees:  Commissioner Christopher B. Epps, Chairman  
Jerry Williams, Deputy Commissioner Community Corrections  
Richie Spears, Compact Administrator  
Lee McTeer, Community Corrections Director, Region I  
Barbara Farley, Victims Advocate

Welcome and Introductions:  

The meeting convened at 1:40 p.m. with Commissioner Epps welcoming everyone and introductions being made.

Purpose of Interstate Compact:  

Commissioner Epps gave a brief history of the Compact. He explained how it works as well as the importance.

ICOTS Update:  

Compact Administrator Richie Spears provided an update on ICOTS. He provided information about the improvements that have been made since the October 6, 2008 implementation of ICOTS. Mississippi Officers have become more proficient with ICOTS with the passage of time. He also discussed how ICOTS assists in managing offenders through the workload and how it is more efficient as everything is submitted electronically through ICOTS. In addition, he also provided samples of reports generated by ICOTS which allow the Mississippi Compact Office and supervisors to see areas that need attention. In closing of the ICOTS update, he provided copies of statistical reports generated by ICOTS.

Proposed Rule Changes:  

Compact Administrator Richie Spears provided all attendees with copies of the proposed ICOAS Rule changes that will be voted on at the 2011 National Annual Business Meeting in Montgomery, Alabama. Each proposed ICOAS Rule was discussed at length to determine how Mississippi will vote. The proposed ICOAS Rule change of ICOAS Rule 3.101-3 (c) (d) and (e) Transfer of supervision of sex offenders drew the most concern from the Council members.
Designee Nomination:

Commissioner Epps informed the Council that he would like for Deputy Commissioner Jerry Williams to represent him this year at the 2011 Annual Business Meeting in Montgomery, Alabama. Council member Lee McTeer made a motion to this effect. Member Barbara Farley seconded the motion. All Council members were in favor and Deputy Commissioner Jerry Williams will be attending the National Annual Business Meeting on behalf of Commissioner Epps.

General Discussion:

The meeting was opened to general discussion where numerous topics were discussed which included making the both the sending state and receiving state knowledgeable of any offender’s gang affliction. Case closure notice, warrants, and compact rules were also discussed.

Commissioner Epps adjourned the meeting at 2:45 p.m.