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Welcome and Introduction----------------------------------------------------------Commissioner Epps

Commissioner Epps called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. and welcomed members to the meeting.

Annual Business Meeting Update-----------------------------------------------Richie Spears

Richie Spears gave an update on the Annual Business Meeting held in August in Madison, Wisconsin. He informed the members that a major topic at the meeting were the new retaking procedures. He discussed how the new procedures affect member States and their budgets because of the number of offenders being retaken has increased because of the new procedures. There will be further discussion of the retaking procedures at upcoming Interstate Compact meetings.

ICOTS Update-----------------------------------------------------------------Richie Spears

Richie Spears discussed the ICOTS system with council members. He discussed how ICOTS has made the transfer process easier and more efficient since its implementation. He also discussed some of the enhancements and upgrades that have been added since the implementation. The possibility of having ICOTS linked with VINE was also discussed.

Upcoming Compliance Audit-----------------------------------------------Richie Spears

The upcoming compliance audit was discussed by Richie Spears. He went over the standards that will be reviewed in this audit. Mississippi’s audit will be conducted in January 2013. The requested USER agreements have already been forwarded to the National Office in Kentucky.

Open Discussion---------------------------------------------------------------Council Members

Richie Spears advised the council members that the 2013 Annual Business Meeting will be held in Boston, MA.

The Council discussed the possibility of the Interstate Compact office going paperless. All documents are maintained in ICOTS so there is really no reason to maintain a paper file. There would be a great cost savings to the Mississippi Department of Corrections if this were to be implemented.
Commissioner Epps discussed ICOTS and how it can be used to assist in the compliance audit. Mr. Spears informed the council members of the numerous reports generated by ICOTS as well as the ability of ICOTS supervisors to check pending activities of ICOTS USERS.

Adjournment----------------------------------------------------------Commissioner Epps

Commissioner Epps adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.