Minutes of the February 19, 2003 meeting
Room 413 State Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota

Meeting was called to order by President J.P. Duniphan at 3:30 PM. Members present included Ed Ligtenberg, Brian Zeeb, Tim Tucker, Tim Reisch, and Dallas Johnson. Annie Mertz from LRC was also present.

Minutes from the November 12, 2002 meeting were approved as distributed.

Legislative Briefing
It was decided that a briefing sheet prepared by Ed Ligtenberg and Dallas Johnson which will include national data as well as state data and a cover letter identifying the council members would be sent to every legislator. The Governor’s Office and the Chief Justice will be contacted regarding input for the briefing.

National Commission
Ed Ligtenberg, the South Dakota Compact Commissioner, has been appointed to the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee. Ligtenberg briefed the Council on the national meeting held in November and the committee meetings held in December and January and submitted a handout of the same.

Issues with Previous Compact
Over the course of the next year, the national commission will be reviewing the compact rules that are currently in existence and preparing a complete re-write of compact rules and procedures. In an effort to identify current compact issues, the South Dakota Judiciary was polled and Dallas Johnson brought their concerns to the Council. Brian Zeeb will be working with law enforcement agencies to identify issues they may have. A list of all the rule and procedural issues will be developed as guidance for Ligtenberg when he attends the national rules meetings.

Budget Issues
A brief discussion was held concerning financing of the state council. President Duniphan requested that Ligtenberg and Johnson prepare a provisional budget estimating expenses for the council and its members. This will be presented in the next budget cycle. In the interim, the DOC and UJS will need to cover expenses of those members of the council not already a state employee.

Other Organizational Items
A brief discussion was held concerning a central repository for council records. It was decided that the DOC would be the central repository. Additional discussions were held concerning open meeting policies of the council. It is the consensus of the council that all meetings must be open to the public and well publicized. President Duniphan requested that a press release be prepared on held meetings and that future meeting dates be advertised on the UJS and DOC state websites.

Meeting Dates
No meeting date was scheduled. The next meeting is tentatively set for next fall and an exact date will be scheduled this summer. Ligtenberg will notify the council if a meeting is needed sooner than next fall.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Dallas Johnson