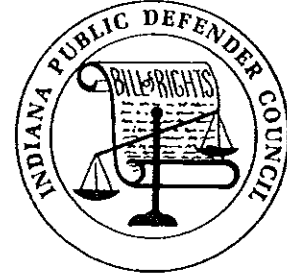


**Minutes: Indiana Public Defender Council**  
**Date: April 6, 2000**  
**Place: Indianapolis Marriott East**



## MINUTES

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Indiana Public Defender Council (IPDC) was called to order by Chairman Jeffrey Lantz at 5: 45 p.m. on April 6, 2000. Directors present were Jeffrey Lantz, Susan Carpenter, Doug Garner, Terry Harper, Michelle Kraus, Katherine Liell, Doug Long, Don Pagos, and Charles Walton, Jr. Staff members present were Larry Landis, Donald Murphy, and Teresa Campbell. Others present: Terry Richmond

### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of last meeting on January 24, 2000 were reviewed. Susan Carpenter moved to accept them. Minutes approved.

### III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Larry Landis presented the executive director's report. Larry observed there were a number of bills introduced to reduce prison population. He suggested next year may be a good time to introduce a bill to make some of the drug offenses suspendible. He also observed that Criminal Rule 24 is still being viewed as a national model for death penalty standards even through other states now have more detailed standards than Indiana. He suggested that the Board might want to look to those standards in an effort to revise and improve our death penalty standards.

### IV. PUBLICATIONS & SERVICES

#### A. Evidence Pamphlet

The new Evidence Pamphlet containing trial objections was distributed. The pamphlet design was unanimously approved and the Board requested the Executive Director convey their appreciation to Don Murphy and Loretta Jackson.

#### B. Performance Standards

Susan Carpenter moved that the amended performance standards be approved. The motion passed and the amended standards were approved.

#### C. Lexis

Larry Landis discussed the current Lexis contract and a recent proposal by the West Group. The Board suggests that we publish a notice to Lexis users to sign off once their research is complete because some users are apparently not signing off and, therefore, are running up the total billing hours. A notice will be published in the *Defender*.

#### D. Defendnet

The Board suggested that some rules of etiquette be proposed for use on defendnet. It was discussed that there are some who continue to use defendnet inappropriately. The issue was referred to the Technology Committee.

#### E. Manuals on CD-ROM

Larry advised the Board that staff is currently working on preparing a CD-ROM that would include all of the Council manuals and a separate CD with the Casebank and requested that the board set a price. After discussion, the Board decided that the cost for the CD with the manuals would be \$25 for members and \$50 for non-members, and the cost for the Casebank CD, which will be updated quarterly, will be \$50 for members and \$75 for non-members.

V. TRAINING

The board reviewed the training calendar. Larry Landis requested volunteers to assist in designing some of the programs. Jeff Lantz volunteered to assist on the juvenile law seminar.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Larry advised on the new developments in the Vincennes County mandate case. Jesse Cook has volunteered to prepare and present the mandate on behalf of the IACDL.

Don Murphy proposed that the board give an award recognizing a person for work in juvenile law because most juvenile public defenders practice in obscurity and deserve to be recognized for exemplary work. Don provided a sample of an award: the ABA Livingston Hall Juvenile Justice Award. Susan Carpenter moved to create an award for lawyers defending indigent juveniles. The motion was unanimously approved. The policy committee will develop the award.

Kitty Liell provided information about the Indiana Innocence Project. She inquired whether there is a role that the Council might play. After discussion, Kitty was requested to provide more detailed information once the Project is more specifically developed.

The Board met in executive session to discuss the new pay scale for IPDC attorneys recommended by the Executive Director. The new pay scale was approved as submitted.

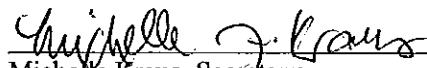
VII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the board will be held on Thursday, June 8, 2000 at 5:30 p.m. in the Adam's Mark hotel located in downtown Indianapolis.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

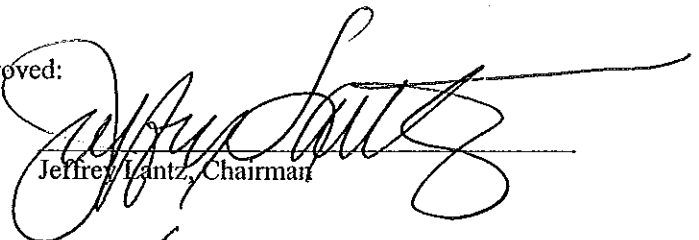
The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Michelle Kraus, Secretary

Date: 6-9-00

Approved:

  
Jeffrey Lantz, Chairman

Date: 6-9-00