

Indiana Interstate Compact State Council

Minutes

September 27, 2019

The Indiana Interstate Compact State Council met at the Indiana Office of Court Services in Indianapolis, Indiana on September 27, 2019. Justin Forkner presided over the meeting and Jenny Bauer acted as secretary.

- 1. Members present.** The following members of the State Council were present: Mary Kay Hudson, Executive Director of the Indiana Office of Court Services and Compact Commissioner; Judge Dana Kenworthy, President of the Indiana Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Bernice Corley, Executive Director of the Indiana Public Defender Council; Chris Naylor, proxy for the Executive Director of the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council; Devon McDonald, Executive Director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; Laura Berry, Executive Director of the Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence; Joel Gruber, proxy for the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Correction; Sen. Jack Sandlin, Indiana Senate; and Justin Forkner, Chief Administrative Officer of the Office of Judicial Administration and chairperson of the State Council.
- 2. Staff present.** Jenny Bauer, Turran Blazier, Nita Wright, and April Simmons provided staff assistance to the Council.
- 3. Approval of minutes.** The June 2019 meeting minutes were approved.
- 4. Training Update.** Mary Kay Hudson reported that IOCS and DOC are working together to get the word out to probation and community corrections on the importance of compliance with interstate compact rules. She also reported that IOCS compact staff recently presented training sessions at the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council conference and the Chief Public Defender meeting. Ms. Hudson explained that IOCS is being proactive with training to prevent compliance issues. Chris Naylor thanked IOCS staff for attending the IPAC training and offered assistance with webinars. Bernice Corley thanked IOCS staff for attending the CPD meeting and invited them to the IPDC 2020 training events. Turran Blazier

reported that 40 counties have received interstate compact training from IOCS and 6 more requested training recently.

- 5. Compliance Issues.** Mary Kay Hudson explained that Indiana is obligated to follow the rules of the interstate compacts as a member state. Turran Blazier stated that a few counties have been trying to terminate supervision for offenders to evade compact rules requiring retaking of the offender. She also stated that other problems are counties not performing home visits, warrants not entered correctly into NCIC, and counties refusing to retake offenders after warrants are served in other states. Ms. Hudson reported that IDACS access for IOCS staff would help with ensuring warrants are issued in accordance with the compact rules.
- 6. State Council website.** Jenny Bauer reported that the State Council's website is currently under construction. She showed the production view of the website and stated that it should be ready to submit to IOT in the next few weeks. The State Council members discussed adding FAQ's for attorneys and the public.
- 7. Interstate Commission for Juveniles.** Mary Kay Hudson reported that the Interstate Commission for Juveniles annual business took place in Indianapolis on September 9-11. The commission voted on rules amendments that will be effective on January 1, 2020. Nita Wright highlighted several rules amendments: the rules now require State Council meetings, consent to return a juvenile can be signed by the "court" rather than a judge, the definition of runaway, and no bond holds. Ms. Wright also reported that the Commission selected Optimum as the vendor for the new juvenile data system. The new system aligns better with the juvenile compact business process and will be ready by the end of 2020. Indiana will help test the new system and a demo will be shown to the State Council at a future meeting. Ms. Hudson added that the 2020 annual business meeting is scheduled for October 19-21 in Vermont.
- 8. Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision.** Mary Kay Hudson reported that the annual reports for the Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision is available on the commission website. She gave a copy of the report to Sen. Sandlin for delivery to the Indiana General Assembly and stated that she will also deliver a copy to the governor's office. Ms. Hudson showed the State Council members the commission's new Compact Online Resource Encyclopedia (known as

CORE) and encourage members to create an account for access. Ms. Bauer will send a link to the members. Ms. Hudson also reported that the commission's annual business meeting is October 8-9 in San Diego. Dearborn Superior Court Judge Jonathon Clearly will attend the annual business meeting to participate in the panel discussion on the Regional Opioid Initiative. The 2020 annual business meeting is scheduled for September 14-16 in Madison, Wisconsin. The members discussed attorney-client privilege as it relates to the compacts. Justin Forkner stated that the Office of Judicial Administration will contact the Disciplinary Commission for guidance.

9. **Meeting schedule.** Justin Forkner reported that the State Council will meet on the same days as the Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council. He stated that there will likely be a meeting in December and the proposed 2020 schedule will be sent out as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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