

IPDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Summary of Activity

1978-79

Board Members - Elected December 15, 1977

Larry D. Combs
C. Thomas Cone
Harriette Bailey Conn
Roy Dakich
Michael K. Deardorff
Donald E. Gibson
William W. Gooden*
J. David Keckley
Mark W. McNeely
Gerald R. Thom
Joseph A. Williams

Officers

Chairman - Roy Dakich (elected 1/6/78)
Secretary - C. Thomas Cone (elected 6/23/78)

Left Board

*William Gooden (elected prosecutor in 11/78, he left the Board sometime prior to 1/1/79, his position remained vacant until the election held 9/7/79).

Meetings

ELECTION - December 15, 1977

2. **January 6, 1978**
 - First meeting of elected Board.
 - Election of Dakich as Chairman.
 - By-Laws committee: Cone, McNeely, Combs.
3. **April 20, 1978**
 - Drafting & revisions to By-Laws.
4. **June 3, 1978**
 - Election of Tom Cone as Secretary.
 - Resolution: to adopt By-Laws as amended & submit to members on 6/23/78.
5. **June 23, 1978**
 - By-Laws were adopted by IPDC members at seminar this date.
6. **October 29, 1978**
 - Discussed grants, PD legislation, proposed trial skills program.
7. **May 17, 1979**
 - Officers were elected at this meeting, but it was premature so the elections were conducted again in September, after the general Board election.

Chairman: J. David Keckley
Vice Chairman: Larry D. Combs
Secretary: Mark W. McNeely



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MINUTES
Board of Directors,
Indiana Public Defenders Council

January 6, 1978

The called meeting was transferred to a conference room at 802 State Office Building, Indianapolis, Indiana, and commenced at 1:00 P.M. Present: C. Thomas Cone, Larry D. Combs, Roy Dakich, Michael Deardorff, Donald Gibson, William Gooden, J. David Keckley, Mark McNeely and Harriette Bailey Conn. (Absent: Joseph Williams and Gerald Thom) Staff members present included Larry A. Landis, Herbert Jensen, Denise Smith.

Mr. Dakich, as Chairman of the Interim Advisory Board welcomed the members of the elected board in attendance and secured acceptance of a proposed agenda by those in attendance.

Election of chairman: Unanimous election of Mr. Dakich on nomination by Conn, second by Deardorff, after which nominations were closed. [Mr. Dakich continued to preside.]

Board meeting schedule: Saturday morning meetings were most convenient and regular meetings of the board were, on motion of Deardorff, second by Gooden, agreed to be on the third Saturday of January, April, July and October at 10:30 A.M. Other meetings could be called.

By-Laws: Suggestion by Landis that a committee draft By-Laws for the Public Defender Council, and distribution was made of the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council By-Laws. The Chairman appointed Combs, McNeely and Cone to a By-Laws Committee, and they are to submit proposed by-laws to the next Board meeting in the form of a resolution for action by council members assembled at the first seminar, tentatively scheduled for April, 1978, according to a motion by Combs, seconded by Deardorff, unanimously passed.

Grant Application: A copy of the council's application for initial funding was distributed and Mrs. Conn advised the board members that amendment was not presently necessary and that the October award provides funding for the period from November 1, 1977, through June 30, 1978. Moved by Conn that consideration of a grant amendment be postponed and considered along with applications for future funding, to allow the board to review the grant application. Seconded by Dakich and unanimously approved.

Criminal Trial Manual: Report was made of its continued preparation and decision made for its distribution to council members at the time of the April seminar.

Staff Training: Authorization given for expenditure of \$450.00 for costs and registration fee of a teaching seminar to be attended by Larry Landis, Training Director, in Chicago, IL, on March 13 and 14, 1978, pursuant to motion by Gibson, second by Deardorff.

Seminars of Public Defender Council: Discussion of subject matter and dates produced the following suggestions as to topics:

- a) new Criminal Code;
- b) demonstration of various aspects of a criminal trial (similar to recent seminar put on by Indiana Trial Lawyers Association called "Voir Dire to Verdict");
- c) juvenile law and procedure;
- d) defense of insanity; and
- e) evidence

while a motion by Conn, seconded by Dakich, was that a one-day seminar be held in April on the subject of constitutional aspects of search and seizure, identification testimony and confessions, the same being suggested by Landis who had in mind an outstanding lecturer. Unanimously approved.

Legislation: Briefing on some bills pending in the 1978 General Assembly by Landis, and discussion of possible positions. A majority of the Board decided to support H.B. ~~1017~~ and to oppose the following: H.B. 1029, S.B. 48, S.B. 99 and S.B. 170.

Board members residing near Indianapolis agreed to make themselves available for testimony at committee hearings as Council spokesmen. Donald Gibson volunteered to be spokesman on S.B. 99 where interests of the Council and its Executive Director as Public Defender of Indiana might differ.

Adjournment: 4:15 P.M.