

IPDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Summary of Activity

1984-85

Board Members

Second Year

George C. Barnett, Jr.
Sandy L. Bryant
Susan K. Carpenter
Eugene C. Hollander
Terrance W. Richmond
Daniel L. Weber

Elected - June 22, 1984

Larry D. Combs (re-elected)
David R. Hennessy (new)
J. David Keckley (re-elected)
Mark W. McNeely (re-elected)
John F. Surbeck, Jr. (re-elected)

Officers

Chairman - Terrance W. Richmond (elected 6/22/84)
Vice-Chairman - John F. Surbeck, Jr. (elected 6/22/84)
Secretary - Eugene C. Hollander (elected 6/22/84)

Left Board

Donald Peyton (ran but was not elected 6/22/84).

Meetings

ELECTION - June 22, 1984

23. June 22, 1984
 - Election of officers (above).
24. August 10-11, 1984 - *annual planning meeting (with IPDA Board)*.
 - Model contract reviewed, revised & approved.
 - Board approved Proposed Standards for Appointment of Counsel for submission to the ISBA Criminal Justice Section.
25. September 6, 1984
 - Legislation - criminal justice bills, & PD Bill.
26. November 1, 1984
 - Announce ISBA House of Delegates approved the Standards for Appointment of Counsel in Death Penalty Cases on 10/18/84.
 - Legislation, including PD Bill.
27. December 19, 1984
 - PD Bill reviewed, revised & adopted as amended.

Indiana Public Defender Council
Meeting of Board of Directors - June 22, 1984

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER. The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Indiana Public Defender Council was called to order by Mark W. McNeely, Chairman, at 5 p.m. on June 22, 1984 at the Airport Holiday Inn in Indianapolis, Indiana. Directors present: Mark McNeely, Larry D. Combs, Gene Hollander, John Surbeck, Terry Richmond, Dave Hennesy, and Sandy Bryant. Also present: Melanie Conour, of the IPDA Board of Directors, and Larry Landis, Mary Sinnock and Kit Keller of the IPDC staff.
2. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING. Approval of the minutes of the IPDC Board of Directors meeting held March 16, 1984 waived until the next meeting.
3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS. Chairman: Mark McNeely nominated Terry Richmond for Chairman of the Board of Directors. Richmond's nomination was seconded by Gene Hollander. Terry Richmond was elected Chairman by acclamation. Vice Chairman: Larry Combs nominated John Surbeck for Vice Chairman; his nomination was seconded by Terry Richmond. John Surbeck was elected Vice Chairman by acclamation. Secretary: Dave Hennesy nominated Gene Hollander for Secretary; his nomination was seconded by Mark McNeely. Gene Hollander was elected Secretary by acclamation.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Defender Services Committee

Larry Landis requested discussion by the Board on the matter of a state-wide public defender system. The Defender Services Committee will meet prior to the Board retreat in August, and discussion by members present would help direct the committee. Larry Landis briefly described several models presently being used in other states. He also described the model proposed by unsuccessful legislation in the 1983 session of the Indiana General Assembly.

Terry Richmond expressed his conviction that local control and administration be left with the counties, even if total funding were provided by the State. Discussion followed on the type and range of controls for qualification, determination of indigency, caseloads, etc. which might be state administered in order to assure compliance with standards for effective representation. A brief discussion was also held on financing systems like matching funds as a way to insure compliance by the counties to certain standards.

5. NEW BUSINESS.

- 1) IPDC/IPDA Position on Grand Jury Legislation. Larry Landis requested direction from the Board as to their position on pending legislation affecting the grand jury system in Indiana. Following discussion, Mark McNeely moved that the Board adopt a position favoring the abolition of the grand jury system because it serves no legitimate purpose. This motion was seconded by Terry Richmond. Discussion was then initiated by Dave

Hennesy who questioned whether this position would be very realistic or practical given the unlikely prospects for abolition of the present system. He suggested a position advocating changes to improve the grand jury system which might be realistically attainable. Discussion followed. It was the Board's consensus that the grand jury system should be revised so as to meet the applicable ABA Standards and the Board would endorse legislation which proposes the necessary changes. No additional motion was made or carried on this issue.

2) Alternate Funding Sources for IPDC. Dave Hennesy expressed his interest in seeking alternative funding of the Council in addition to the state appropriation. He mentioned foundations such as Lilly, and grants for special projects. Terry Richmond reminded the Board that due to the state-agency status of the IPDC, exploration of outside funding should be conducted by the IPDA, and this had been discussed at past meetings. It was suggested that outside funding be discussed at the Board retreat in August.

6. NEXT MEETING. Mary Sinnock asked the Directors if they wished to meet following the next seminar on July 27th. If no meeting were held prior to the August retreat, that meeting would probably need to be somewhat longer. It was the consensus of the Directors present to not call a meeting for July 27th. Directors were asked if they wished to begin their meeting on Friday, August 10th in the early afternoon, or following dinner. The majority favored starting the meeting earlier on Friday so that work could be completed earlier on Saturday. In answer to Melanie Conour's question, Larry Landis stated that IPDA Board members would be asked to attend meetings on both August 10th and 11th. Mary Sinnock reminded Directors that cabin rooms have been reserved at the Abe Martin Lodge for both nights, and that she would be calling each member to ask their final reservations in about two weeks.
7. ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6 p.m., June 22, 1984.

Minutes prepared by:



Mary Sinnock

Date: 6/28/84

Approved and submitted by:

Eugene Hollander, Secretary

Date: _____