

IJDA MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Vigo County

Tuesday, July 10, 2012

Anita Biehle	Bartholomew County
Jason Bowser	Bartholomew County
Traci Agner	Dearborn County
Robert Belew	Dearborn County
Rodney Fischer	Dearborn County
John Thompson	Vigo County
Cindy Hunter	Vigo County
Jim Jenkins	Vigo County
Dennis Orr	LaPorte County
Jim Higdon	Johnson County
Robin Emmons	Madison County
LeShea Cates	Madison County
Ashley Barnett	ICJI
Tashi Teuschler	ICJI
April Dubree	YLT

I. Call to Order- Jason Bowser called the meeting to order at 10:40am.

II. Introductions- Introductions were made at this time.

III. Approval of June's minutes- Jim Higdon made a motion to approve the June minutes. LeShea seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Treasurer's Report- Jim Higdon reported that the current checking account balance is \$10, 274.76. The current CD balance is \$ 9,911.82. There is still approximately \$4500 in hotel expenses that need to clear. All other Summit expenses have been paid.

V. Committee Reports-

1. Membership- Traci Agner reported that we are currently at 86. We have received one new membership since the last meeting.

2. Trainings- April Dubree reported that at the last IJDA meeting there was discussion about having a 40 Hour Careworker Training in the fall. Madison County is willing to host this training to be held sometime at the end of September. Registrations will be going out soon. The class will be 30-35 participants on a first-come, first-served basis. Only 4 people per facility will be allowed to register initially to allow everyone the opportunity to sign up. After the first deadline is met, registration will open up to more per facility. Mileage, per diem and hotel reimbursement will be offered with grant funds.

April also reported about the IJDA Fall Training to be held Tuesday, Sept. 11 at the Rising Sun Casino and Resort in Rising Sun, IN. There will be an hour and a half morning training session, followed by lunch/IJDA membership meeting and then an hour and a half after noon training session. Since food can no longer be paid for with grant funds, we need to come up with an alternative. The Casino has offered to charge a \$700 room/AV equipment rental fee that will include complimentary buffet passes. April made a motion for grant money to be used to pay up to \$750 in training room rental/AV needs. Jim Jenkins seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Jim Higdon mentioned that he met with the Board President of the Indiana Juvenile Justice Task Force about them coming down to the Fall Training and presenting to the group what the Task Force does and how they can work together with IJDA. Jim will say more about this topic under New Business. Registrations for the Fall Training will be going out in the next couple of weeks. April Dubree reported about the IJDA Training Library. The new grant cycle has just started, so there are funds for facilities to use the Training Library from July 1 to March 31. This Training Library allows for a trainer to come to your facility free of charge. This opportunity may not be available after this grant cycle. If you are interested in having a trainer come to your facility, please contact April Dubree. Also, if you have people in your facility that are trained in special areas and would be willing to travel to train at other facilities, please contact April. Trainers are paid \$300 for a whole day of training; \$150 for a half day. If you are interested in topics that are not listed, please let April know. She will research these topics.

3. Summit- April reported that during discussions at last month's IJDA meeting, it was decided that we will not be returning to the same venue for the Summit next year. We were not happy with the details of how the event was hosted. April has been doing research on hotels/conference centers in the Columbus/Indianapolis area. If you know of large conference centers in your area that might make a nice venue for the Summit, please let April know.

4. Symposium- April Dubree and Jason Bowser discussed the tracks that are being offered at the Symposium this year. Pam Clark specifically wanted Jason to mention the Jurisdictional Planning track to the IJDA. This track looks at county resources and needs and shows facilities how to best use staff and resources.

There was discussion about sending two teams from IJDA for the PREA and Blended Learning, E-Learning (Training) tracks. If you are interested in attending the Symposium on behalf of IJDA for either of these tracks, please send your name to April Dubree. The IJDA Executive Board will be discussing these teams at its meeting in August.

5. Standards Review- There was discussion about the Standards Revision process. Kellie Whitcomb reported at the last meeting that one of the documents that D.O.C. is using to revise the Standards is the JDAI Conditions of Confinement. Kellie has sent those out electronically to the IJDA membership for input/comments. The highlighted sections are being considered for mandatory standards. Please send all comments/feedback to Traci Agner or Kellie Whitcomb. If you have not received an electronic copy, please let Traci or Kellie know. Kellie will pass all feedback on to the D.O.C. revision committee.

6. Critical Issues- There will not be a Critical Issues committee meeting today.

VI. D.O.C. report- No representative present.

VII. Juvenile Mental Health Project- No representative present.

VIII. Detention Discussion- Jim advised the group to check with their sheriffs and make sure that they are updated on the current waiver laws. Jim gave an example that he experienced recently. Johnson County got a kid that had been previously waived to adult court and went to jail. He had gotten out and committed more felonies. There was much going back and forth with the jail as to who was supposed to house this youth. The law states that once a kid has been waived and are now considered an adult, if they commit felony charges then they are to be housed in the adult jail. If the waived child were to commit misdemeanor charges, he could be housed in the juvenile facility.

Robin Emmons, mental health staff from Madison County, asked the group for policies regarding high risk youth, particularly after hours. She wanted to know how facilities handle suicidal/homicidal youth after hours. Discussion ensued. Please forward any policies you have on those topics to Traci or Robin (remmons@madisoncounty.in.gov).

IX. ICJI Report- Ashley Barnett reported that ICJI's funding has been cut by 40%. So, there will not be any Title II funding for this year. Ashley stated that ICJI had to write Suicide Prevention into their long-term plan, so they will probably be able to continue to support the Mental Health Project. JABG funds will be available this year. That grant application will come out at the end of the year. April Dubree mentioned that for the last two years IJDA has been using JABG funds, not Title II. Therefore, IJDA will be able to submit a grant application for training funds again this year. April also mentioned Pam Clark's concept paper that was written for training purposes and resources. This paper will aid IJDA in how to best use training funds going forward.

X. Youth Law T.E.A.M. report- April Dubree reported that Indiana's 2011 compliance report was sent to ICJI and then forwarded to OJJDP. A determination will be made in 30 to 60 days (or longer). April reported that everything looked great and that we are doing very well as a state in the area of compliance monitoring. LeShea Cates asked if there was some sort of document to show the money trail to prove why it is important to be in compliance. This document could be used to argue for the importance of compliance monitoring to all agencies in your county. If even one agency in your county is not in compliance, that can affect not only your county funding, but also state funding. Ashley does have a document that shows that information. She will send it out to the membership.

XI. Old Business- April Dubree reported she has done research on the conference call equipment that we talked about IJDA purchasing at the last meeting. There was discussion about cost and availability of conference lines/long distance. Many facilities could benefit from the conference call feature because it would save travel time and expenses. April made a motion that IJDA would allow up to \$500 from the checking account for the purchase of conference call equipment.

XII. New Business- Jim Higdon reported that the Indiana Juvenile Justice Task Force met with him recently. They would like to re-establish a relationship with IJDA at this time. They would also like a member of IJDA to be on their board. There was no mention of financial involvement. The Task Force would like to present their organization at the Fall Training. LeShea Cates pointed out that maybe this was a presentation best made to the Executive Board. Discussion ensued. It was decided that Jim would contact the Task Force Board President, find out his intentions and then decide to invite him to present to the Executive Board at the August IJDA meeting.

XIII. Next meeting- Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 10:30am EST in LaPorte County; IJDA Executive Board will meet at 9:30am EST; Committee meetings will follow membership meeting.

XIV. Adjournment- Jim Higdon made a motion to adjourn. John Thompson seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:15pm.