

IJDA MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

January Membership Meeting
New Castle, Indiana

Attendance:

Kellie Whitcomb – IDOC
Joni Williams – Henry County
Jim Higdon – Johnson County
April Dubree – Youth Law T.E.A.M.
Michelle Tennell – Youth Law T.E.A.M.
Laurie Elliott – Youth Law T.E.A.M.
Brent Kelley – Howard County

Michelle Frazier – Henry County
Robert Belen – Dearborn County
Traci Agner – Dearborn County
Leshea Cates – Madison County
Kevin Mann – Allen County
Rob Threlkel – Lifeline
John Thompson – Vigo County

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

- I. **Call to Order** – 10:30 am by Brent Kelley, President
- II. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- III. **Approval of December 2009 Minutes** – Motion to Approve—Jim Higdon; Motion Seconded—Laurie Elliott. Minutes were approved as submitted.
- IV. **Treasurer’s Report** – The IJDA checking account has a balance of \$5,148.34. The CD valued at \$5,129.28 was renewed in October, 2009.
- V. **Committee Reports**
 - Membership – No new members. Total IJDA Members: 139.
 - Regional Trainings: The 40 Hour Careworker Trainings will be on the following dates and locations: May 3 – 7, 2010 at Johnson County (Sheriff Dept.’s Basement) and August 30 – September 4, 2010 at Allen County (Basement). Scholarships for participants will be determined at a later date as this will depend on funds available at the time of training.
 - Summit –The 2010 Summit will be held on April 20 – 21, 2010 at the University Plaza Hotel in West Lafayette. The cost of registration will be \$75 early bird and \$85 regular. Email or contact April Dubree with topic suggestions for the event sessions. The save-the-date cards will go out end of January 2010. Judge Steve David of Boone County Circuit Court has been confirmed as the Keynote Speaker for this event.
 - Standards Review – No update.
 - Symposium Planning – No update.
 - Disaster and Emergency Plans – Disaster and Emergency Plan MOU was introduced in draft form by Laurie Elliott. Counties will review and take to communities for further recommendations and/or approval. MOU will be discussed again at the February 2010 Meeting in Hamilton Count.
- VI. **DOC Report** – Kellie Whitcomb discussed findings from the Indiana Pendleton DOC Facility regarding PREA. DOC has formed a PREA Committee that will visit each facility to interview the students and staff. If Detention Staff hear about any issues from their kids regarding DOC please contact Kellie Whitcomb.
- VII. **Juvenile Mental Health Pilot Project** – The Project is sending an RFP out to counties not currently participating in the Pilot Project as well as the three counties who are still participating in Thomas Grisso’s Massachusetts’s Project. The Advisory Board will add facilities as requested. Henry County has completed the Massachusetts’s project and is preparing to join the Indiana Pilot Project.
- VIII. **Detention Discussion** – Henry County has had the following reply to the RPF: Gibault, Wernle and West-Care. The County Commissioners are currently in conversation with West Care. If others are interested contact Judge Mary Willis or Judge Michael Payton.
- IX. **PREA** – Kellie Whitcomb gave an overview of what DOC is doing to address recent issues at youth centers. The Summit Committee is inviting Elissa Rumsey from OJJDP to present on PREA at the 2010 IJDA Summit in April. Kevin Mann will research how his facility obtained PREA training videos for the youth to watch and report back in February.

- X. ICJI Report** – ICJI is working to finalize the Compliance Monitoring Contract. JDAI sites are Lake, Porter and Tippecanoe counties. JJSAG will be holding a Juvenile Justice Summit in October or November 2010.
- Youth Law T.E.A.M. of Indiana Report** – Reminder for IJDA Membership to submit letter of support to YLT for the IJDA JABG Application currently being submitted. Fax to: (317) 916-5369 or email to elliott@youthlawteam.org .
- Laurie Elliott met with the accountant regarding IJDA tax liability. The accountant said the following: Tax returns will need to be filed from 1993 – 2001 for \$0 as no activity returns; returns will need to be filed from 2002 – 2009 with the income amount; IJDA may have to pay penalty and interest fees on income amount. The accountant will charge per return filed. Brent Kelley is going to ask POPAI about the accountant they used in a similar situation and report back.
- XI. DOE Report** – No representative available.
- XII. Old Business** – DCS is being sued by IARCCA and Foster and Adoption parents regarding the changes in per diem charges and funding.
- XIII. New Business** – IJDA Membership should submit nominations for State of Officers to Jim Higdon via email to jhigdon@jdc.co.johnson.in.us. Nominations will be for the following: Vice President; Secretary; Treasurer; and four At-Large Members.
- XIV. Next Meeting** – **Next IJDA membership meeting will be at the Hamilton County Juvenile Justice Center on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 10:30 a.m.**
- XV. Adjournment** –
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2010 IJDA Goal Statements

- The IJDA will determine its tax liability to-date and develop a plan to resolve any outstanding tax liability.
- The IJDA will establish its legal and tax status moving forward.
- The IJDA will develop a plan for meeting its tax liability annually.
- The IJDA and its members will reach out to representatives of the probation community in Indiana to help them understand what the IJDA does and what issues and concerns these groups have in common.
- The IJDA will add to its representation of centers from across the state.
- Keep abreast of PREA promulgations and develop training resources for the state to keep in compliance.
- Finalize a Disaster and Emergency Plan MOU/Agreement among Indiana Detention Centers.