



Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision

East Region Meeting MINUTES

September 11, 2024 · 2:00 pm MT
The Scott Resort and Spa, Scottsdale, AZ

Members in Attendance:

1. Dale Crook (VT), Chair
2. Gary Roberge (CT)
3. Heidi Collier (DE)
4. Tina Hurley (MA)
5. Denis Clark (ME)
6. David Cady (NH)
7. Matthew Charton (NY)
8. Dina Rogers (NJ)
9. Ingrid Siliezar (RI)
10. Christian Stephens (PA)

Members not in Attendance:

11. Raquel Colon (PR)
12. Wynn Timer Testamark (VI)

Guests:

1. Jeanne Stewart (NH)
2. Alexandra Modica (CT)
3. Joe Garibaldi (CT)
4. Keara Kelley (MA)
5. Kelly Palmateer (NY)
6. Shyra Bland (NJ)
7. Matthew Reed (PA)
8. Rickey Plank (VT)

Staff

1. Barno Saturday, Logistics and Administrative Coordinator

Call to Order

Chair D. Crook (VT) called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm MT. Ten out of twelve voting members were present. A quorum was established.

Agenda and Minutes

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) moved to approve the agenda as presented. Official Designee I. Siliezar (RI) seconded. Agenda approved as presented.

Commissioner H. Collier (DE) moved to approve the minutes from July 25, 2024, meeting as drafted. Commissioner T. Hurley (MA) seconded. Minutes approved as drafted.

Discussion

Collaboration Sessions Debrief: The region reviewed the work conducted during the collaborative sessions held on Monday and Tuesday of the business meeting. Moderators from the East Region recapped discussions on absconder issues, reporting instructions for individuals living in the receiving state at the time of sentencing, the protocols surrounding probable cause hearings, revocation, and retaking after a new conviction, and supervision sentence imposed by the receiving state.

The East Region members praised the collaboration and conversations generated during these sessions, highlighting the benefits of smaller group sizes for fostering engagement and facilitating clearer discussions. There was also a strong emphasis on enhancing clarity regarding the purpose of the discussions and specific rule changes.

Rule Proposal Recommendations: Chair D. Crook (VT) reminded the region that the deadline to submit rule proposals is February 1. He encouraged members to submit their proposals to him at their earliest convenience to ensure timely meeting arrangements.

Commissioner D. Crook (VT) urged East Region members to volunteer for the Commission's committees.

Old/New Business

Commissioner T. Hurley (MA) reported that Massachusetts is undergoing significant changes in parole terminations, highlighting criminal justice reforms within the state's parole system. The new system aims to provide a more compassionate approach to reintegrating individuals into society. Their office is actively outlining these changes and will keep other states informed of any developments.

Official Designee I. Siliezar (RI) noted that a couple of years ago, their governor signed a law allowing the Parole Board to terminate a parolee's supervision before the end of their criminal sentence. This law emphasizes rehabilitation and enables the board to review parolee status annually, aiming to streamline the parole process and support successful reintegration into society.

ICAOS Officer Nominations: Chair D. Crook (VT) opened the floor for nominations.

Commissioner D. Crook (VT) moved to nominate Commissioner Gary Roberge (CT) for the Commission's Treasurer. Commissioner M. Charton (NY) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

There were no other nominations.

Adjourn

Commissioner G. Roberge (CT) moved to adjourn. Official Designee D. Clark (ME) seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 3:02 pm MT.