

# APAI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

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Executive Committee Meeting Minutes for September 28, 2012

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jeffrey Peterson, President; Rissie Owens, Vice President; David Blumberg, Treasurer; Jeralita Costa, Secretary; Regional Vice Presidents: Steven Andraschko, Northeastern Region; Connie Bisbee, Western Region; Cynthia Mausser, Central Region; and Caroline Mudd, Southern Region.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Keith Hardison, Natalie Payne

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Charles Traugher, Past President; Renee Collette, International Section Vice President.

**Guests:** Ed Reilly, former long-time Northeast Region Vice President

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Meeting called to order by President Jeffrey Peterson on Friday September 28 2012 at 12:30 PM Eastern, 11:30 AM Central, 10:30 AM Mountain and 9:30 AM Pacific.

**Preliminary Business:** President Peterson welcomed new Northeast Region Vice President, Steven Andraschko. Mr. Reilly gave complimentary opening remarks of introduction for Mr. Andraschko and Mr. Andraschko also made a statement. The EC warmly welcomed Mr. Andraschko.

Mr. Reilly acknowledged the honor of serving on the APAI Executive Committee for many years and assured members he would still maintain involvement with APAI, even though he is leaving the EC. The EC all acknowledged with great gratitude, the service provided by Mr. Reilly over the years. Mr. Reilly then left the meeting.

I. **Approval of the minutes** from August 24, 2012

Motion to approve the minutes by Ms. Collette, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Blumberg. Minutes Approved.

II. **2013 ATC** (Hardison/Payne)

a. Mr. Hardison reported that the Program Committee met by conference call on September 18<sup>th</sup>.

b. A.T. Wall has confirmed his willingness and availability to be the keynote speaker, subject to EC approval. Several members discussed their support for this keynote speaker proposal.

Action Taken: The EC was in unanimous agreement on Mr. A.T. Wall as our keynote speaker.

c. Mr. Hardison reported that there were a number of ideas for workshops and sessions discussed by the committee. The program committee is focusing on the following general sessions:

- Innovative Practice Forum (similar to one in 2012)
- International Perspective: Renee and Jeri will put together
- Ethics (with local expert/parole board member presenter)
- Sex Offenders

d. A call for presentations has been sent out for workshops.

e. We have received 2 registrations.

### III. **Future chairs meetings** (Peterson/Hardison)

Mr. Hardison reported that he had participated in a telephone conference with Robbye Braxton-Mintz of NIC concerning future chairs meetings. Mr. Hardison reported that based on that communication, he felt optimistic that NIC would continue to provide some level of support for future chair's meetings. The format, timing, curriculum, etc. is still up for discussion.

### IV. **Timing of Future Conferences** (Hardison)

Mr. Hardison reported that he had prepared and distributed a brief survey to international attendees at the last two conferences. The EC reviewed and discussed the results of the survey. It appears from the surveys of all APAI membership, the general consensus is to keep the Annual Training Conference in the Spring. Although it is difficult for some members to make it to the conference due to legislative sessions, there are other challenges with moving the ATC to the Fall or Summer. There was more discussion of the pros and cons of combining the chair's meeting with the ATC, however, the issue was eventually tabled so that more information could be obtained.

### V. **Interstate Compact Meeting/Wisconsin Parole Commission visit** (Peterson/Hardison)

- a. The CAO and APAI President attended the Annual Business meeting of the Interstate Commission on Adult Offender Supervision in Madison, Wisconsin, August 29 -29, 2012.
- b. Based upon discussion at this meeting, ICAOS will be distributing proposed rule changes for comment through allied professional associations, including APAI, before next year's meeting.

- c. Mr. Hardison reported that having the voice of parole at the table was very beneficial and appreciated by the ICAOS.
- d. The ICAOS National office and training committee has agreed to develop a webinar training for Parole Board members about the Interstate Compact and also an “on demand” training module.
- e. Mr. Hardison and Mr. Peterson met with the Wisconsin Parole Commission while attending the ICAOS meeting and discussed among other things, ways in which APAI could better serve them.

**VI. Community Corrections Collaborative Network Meeting (Peterson)**

- a. Mr. Peterson reported that NIC has begun a Community Corrections Collaborative Network Meeting and APAI was invited to be at the table. Mr. Peterson attended the first meeting and has asked for additional volunteers from APAI to participate in future meetings.

**VII. Future of COPRA (Peterson)**

- a. Mr. Peterson discussed the proposed options for reformulating COPRA drafted by Mr. Hardison based on discussions at the last COPRA meeting and during several EC meetings. Discussion ensued about each of the options. The issue was tabled at this time with a direction to the EC members to provide the CAO with any further revisions to the options prior to the next EC meeting.

**VIII. Africa trip (Costa)**

- a. Ms. Costa reported on her activities in preparation for her attendance at the African Correctional Services Association conference in Kampala, Uganda. She shared some of the information obtained about ASCA member nations through her own research and that provided by Ms. Collette and Mr. Hardison, with additional input from Mr. Peterson and Mr. Andraschko. Ms. Costa reported that she had been able to raise most of the necessary funds and expressed her gratitude for the sponsorship of APAI and the honor to represent APAI at the ACSA conference. She will attempt to send updates to the APAI blog about her experience throughout the conference.

**IX. Committee Reports**

- a. Standards (Cyndi Mausser): no meeting since last report
- b. Victims (Hardison for Tena Pate)

No meeting since last report. The CAO had discussions with NIC about possible technical assistance for the development of the Model Protocol. This does not appear to be the best route to pursue for this project. Other funding sources will be pursued.

- c. Professional Development (Hardison for David Smith)

1. No meeting since last report.
  2. The CAO observed the first training webinar produced by CMIT, The purpose of this observation was to assist in developing plans for future APAI web based trainings.
  3. This committee has been asked to submit recommendations concerning a possible revised Chair's Meeting format (including a mentoring component) based upon discussion with NIC which will be reported on by the CAO and President.
- d. Resolutions (Hardison): No meeting since last report.
- e. PR/Communications (Hardison): Has made some suggestions regarding publicizing Ms. Costa's trip to the ACSA Conference.

X. **Newsletter** (Hardison)

The October Newsletter is being prepared. It will include articles about the extension of the NPRC grant, the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Interstate Compact on Adult offender Supervision and the new chair of the New Zealand Parole Board in addition to the president's letter.

XI. **Financial Report for August** – supplied and reviewed; no questions or comments.

Next meeting: October 26, 2012

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeralita Costa, Secretary

Minutes Approved November 16, 2012