## **MINUTES**

# ADULT REDEPLOY ILLINOIS OVERSIGHT BOARD REGULAR MEETING

February 25, 2019 1:30 p.m.

At the following public sites: Thompson Center, Room 9-040, 100 W. Randolph, Chicago CMS Testing Center, Room 104, 130 W. Mason, Springfield

# Welcome and introductions

Co-chair Khari Hunt called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Mary Ann Dyar performed the roll call.

ARI Oversight Board Member Attendance	Present	Phone	Absent
John Baldwin, Acting Director, IDOC		X	
Amy P. Campanelli, Public Defender of Cook County	X		
Emily Cole for Kim Foxx, Cook County State's Attorney	X		
Khari Hunt for James T. Dimas, Secretary, IDHS	X		
Craig Findley, Chairman, PRB	X		
Mark Ishaug, Chief Executive Officer, Thresholds	X		
Tom Lyons, Interim Chief Probation Officer, Adult Probation Department,	X		
Circuit Court of Cook County			
John Maki, Executive Director, ICJIA	X		
Angelique Orr, Director, PSI Correspondence	X		
James Chadd, Illinois State Appellate Defender	X		
Hon. James M. Radcliffe (Ret.), Associate Director, Lawyers Assistance Program	X (SPI)		
Kathy Saltmarsh, Executive Director, SPAC	X (SPI)		
Kathy Starkovich, Deputy Director, Probation, 18th Judicial Circuit, DuPage Co.	X	X	
Brent Stratton, Chief Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General			X
Michael Torchia, Director, Sangamon County Court Services Department	X (SPI)	-	
Illinois State's Attorneys' Association Representative		Vacant	
Community Representative		Vacant	

A quorum was established.

## Also present were:

Rich Adkins, Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts (Springfield)
Megan Alderden, ICJIA Research and Analysis Manager
Shamsideen Balogun, ICJIA Criminal Justice Specialist
Mary Ann Dyar, ARI Program Director
Erica Hughes, Redeploy Illinois, Illinois Department of Human Services (phone)
Bridget Kiely, TASC (phone)
Lindsey LaPointe, BPI
Lynne Mock, Ph.D., ARI Research Manager
Kelly Pasholk, ICJIA Office of General Counsel
Gail Smith, ARI Policy and Project Coordinator
John Specker, SPAC

Nate Inglis Steinfeld, SPAC Carrie Wiekerson, ICJIA Criminal Justice Specialist Paula Wolff, Illinois Justice Project.

Ms. Dyar introduced the new associate general counsel at ICJIA assigned to ARI, Kelly Pasholk, and listed the following meeting goals:

- 1. Vote on revised SFY19 Planning Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity recommendation.
- 2. Vote to release SFY20 Notice of Funding Opportunity.
- 3. Hear a presentation on the new risk assessment system used by probation departments across the state.

## Approval of minutes

The minutes of the November 19, 2018, Regular ARIOB Meeting were distributed. Mr. Findley moved to approve the minutes and Ms. Cole seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with no recusals and no abstentions.

## **Program Director Report**

Ms. Dyar summarized ARI site data and program accomplishments since the November 2018 meeting. A written report was distributed. She said:

- Site payments out of the Comptroller's Office were five months behind, with the amount owed to sites at more than \$3 million (expenses through January 2019). Spending at some sites has been slow as an impact of the delayed payments.
- ARI staff made calls to sites in December. Sites expressed concerns about payment delays and burdensome reporting, yet shared positive comments about being part of the ARI network and acknowledged strong staff support. Sites thanked the Oversight Board for the funding to provide needed services that otherwise would not be available and for flexibility to allocate the funding based on community-specific goals.

Gail Smith shared take-aways from site visits in Monroe, Perry, St. Clair, and Washington counties in the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit February 4-6.

Ms. Dyar noted that she and Lindsey LaPointe from BPI conducted a webinar about ARI eligibility expansion on February 13, 2019. The webinar was attended by 24 individuals representing 14 sites. She said a recording of the webinar was available and a copy of the PPT was included in the meeting materials. Ms. Dyar expressed thanks to Emily Behnke of Winnebago ARI, ARIOB member Kathy Starkovich of DuPage ARI, and Therese Suarez of 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit ARI for providing valuable perspectives about what eligibility expansion implementation might look like in local problem-solving courts and intensive supervision probation with services programs.

Ms. Dyar noted the recent passing of Sal Perri, website developer, a 30-year veteran of ICJIA.

#### **ARIOB Committee Reports**

- Kathy Saltmarsh reported that the Outreach, Technical Assistance & Communication Committee met January 16 to discuss key messages in technical assistance for sites around eligibility expansion including for the webinar.
- Nate Inglis Steinfeld reported the Performance Measurement Committee met January 24 to discuss quarterly data and the performance measurement process. He noted the committee discussed changes to the definition of "diverted" and the potential impact on sites' calculation of reduction goals.
- Angelique Orr reported the Site Selection & Monitoring Committee met February 8 to review applications for supplemental funding from existing sites and the planning grant application from

Winnebago. She said the committee approved three supplemental funding awards totaling nearly \$78,000, for Macon, Sangamon and Will ARI sites.

Ms. Dyar presented a new management dashboard tracking quarterly data and longer trends in the categories of service levels, contractual performance measures, and other measures. She summarized quarterly service-level data collected from October 1, 2018, to December 31, 2018, with a graphic charting sites' progress toward reduction goals. She said 20 sites were on target to meet reduction goals, four sites needed a little extra monitoring, and two were struggling with program start-up and likely would not meet their 12-month goals.

The Board discussed successful versus unsuccessful exit trends and whether unsuccessful exits are concentrated at a small number of sites. Dr. Mock discussed the importance of learning more about how people flow through the programs, affecting their exit status, which was the subject of her presentation later in the agenda.

Mr. Steinfeld reiterated the impact of a different definition of "diverted" would have on sites' reduction goals and mentioned that significant unsuccessful rates were to be expected with the high risk-population in ARI programs. Dr. Mock noted some participants were going through ARI programs more than once. Mr. Ishaug said despite concluding the program with an unsuccessful exit, community-based diversion program participation was better for the individual than incarceration. ARI staff confirmed state payment delays have impacted enrollment and exit patterns. Ms. Dyar noted that a \$10 million appropriation for ARI was included in the governor's SFY20 budget.

# Research Manager Presentation

Dr. Mock presented an individual-level analysis with data from SFY19's first quarter (July 1-September 30, 2018), sharing demographics of the population enrolled in ARI, where they enrolled, their offenses, the type of programs they enrolled in, and who left the programs early and why. She said more details would be available at subsequent meetings upon the completion of her study on demographics, region, and outcomes. Dr. Mock also presented an example from a recent site visit that illustrated how unsuccessful exit information does not always appear in data. Dr. Mock asked the Board to think about what data they want to see presented and how they want to see it.

## Update on SFY19 and planning for SFY20

a. Notice of Funding Opportunity: SFY19 Planning Grants Recommendation

Ms. Dyar presented a revised SFY19 planning grant recommendation developed by the Site Selection & Monitoring (SS&M) Committee. She said Winnebago County requested planning funds to explore a potential Prostitution and Trafficked Humans (PATH) Court. Following an extensive discussion at the November 2018 ARIOB meeting, which resulted in tabling of the funding vote, ARI staff requested additional information and clarification from the applicant, she said. She added the information was shared with the SS&M Committee and a copy of the letter from Winnebago County was distributed. The committee determined that PATH would not be a good fit for ARI funding. She said a revised recommendation was made to contact Winnebago County stakeholders and offer ICJIA resources, including research and data on addressing human trafficking with a victim services response rather than a court response.

Ms. Orr noted the extent of the committee's discussions and that the committee agreed to develop consistent guidelines for planning grants and implementation grants in the future.

Ms. Orr moved to approve the committee's recommendation to not fund the planning grant for Winnebago County, and Mr. Chadd seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with no recusals and no abstentions.

b. Vote to release Notice of Funding Opportunity: SFY20 Implementation Grants

Ms. Dyar described plans to release a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for renewal funding starting in SFY20. The NOFO, under the state's Grants Accountability and Transparency Act, is a competitive process conducted once every three years replacing the current method of sites submitting annual maintenance renewal applications, she said. With an expected appropriation level of about \$10 million for ARI, the renewal process for existing sites will be open to any county unit of government and allow sites to ask for higher amounts, she said, adding the Board was being asked to approve a renewal for up to \$9 million in funding. Ms. Dyar said she would report the exact amount of funding available when the appropriation is known.

Mr. Ishaug moved to approve release of the SFY20 implementation grant NOFO. Ms. Cole seconded the motion. The Board discussed the motion and Ms. Dyar clarified that the vote is for a NOFO offering up to \$9 million and that there likely would be some funds for future planning grants. The motion passed unanimously with no abstentions and no recusals.

Mr. Ishaug suggested allowing more opportunities for the Board to discuss principles and strategies for prioritizing future funding allocations to bring more participants into the program.

## Presentation on the Illinois Adult Risk Assessment

Co-Chair Hunt introduced Mr. Adkins, who described the statewide roll-out of a new risk assessment instrument used by all probation departments across the state. Mr. Adkins presented from Springfield about the rationale for the adoption of the new risk assessment process and the benefits anticipated for the field.

## Old business/New business

Ms. Dyar thanked co-chair Khari Hunt for his work on the ARI Oversight Board, as it was his last meeting.

### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## **Closed Session**

On a motion by Mr. Findley, seconded by Ms. Cole, the Board voted unanimously, with no abstentions or recusals, pursuant to Open Meetings Act Section 21, to move the meeting into closed session. The minutes of the closed session on August 20, 2018, were unanimously approved.

### Adjournment

The Board returned to open session. Ms. Campanelli moved to adjourn the meeting, and Ms. Saltmarsh seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously with no recusals and no abstentions. (Approved 5/20/19)