

Minutes from the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 26, 2010
2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
JRTC, 100 W. Randolph, 2nd Floor Videoconference Room 2-025, Chicago
IDOC, 1301 Concordia Court, ISU Building Lab Room, Springfield

Board members in attendance: Joe Antolin, Walter Boyd, Jack Cutrone, Mike Hood, Thomas Mahoney, Angelique Orr, Michael Pelletier, Jesse Reyes, Michelle Saddler, Rob Vickery

Board member in attendance via videoconference: Jorge Montes, Michael Randle, Mike Torchia

Board members absent: Judge Abishi Cunningham, Gino DiVito, James Radcliffe, Brian Towne

Non-Board members in attendance: Brianna Baker-Carvell, Lindsay Bostwick, Jordan Boulger, Lisa Braude, Mary Ann Dyar, Cory Foster, Shelith Hansbro, Steve Karr, Rick Krause, Mark Myrent, Sean O'Brien, Pam Rodriguez, Al Sharp, Lisa Stephens, Sara Sullivan, Christine Devitt Westley, Paula Wolff

Call to order/Roll call/Introductions

Co-Chair Secretary Saddler called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. Brianna read the roll call.

Approval of the minutes of April 19, 2010 meeting and the May 12, 2010 meeting

Upon a motion by Jack Cutrone and seconded by Angelique Orr, the minutes from the April 19th meeting were approved. The minutes from the "emergency" meeting on May 12th were approved on a motion made by Jack Cutrone (and Jorge Montes) and seconded by Angelique Orr.

Update on planning grant sites

At the request of Co-Chair Director Randle, Cory Foster provided a brief update on the planning grant sites. Following the May 12th meeting at which two additional sites (Effingham and Knox Counties) were approved, there are now eight planning grant sites covering 19 counties across the state.

The intergovernmental agreement (IGA) between IDOC and IDHS has been completed. Letters have gone out to the jurisdictions notifying them that they have been approved as a planning grant site and detailing the amount of the planning grant which will be provided as an extension in the amount of existing IDHS contracts. IDOC is working with the Comptroller's Office and IDHS to facilitate the payment schedule. Counties have been in contact with staff, expressing eagerness to get underway.

As reported previously, IDOC is also in the process of bringing on two technical assistance providers for the program to help with outreach: retired Judge James Radcliffe (St. Clair County) and retired Judge Thomas Sumner (Cook County). Based on discussions at the April Oversight Board meeting, the intention is to work with the judges to contact other counties, including Cook and St. Clair (as well as DuPage and possibly Stephenson, based on their responses to the earlier planning grant notice) about participating in Adult Redeploy Illinois. Additional planning grant funds will be available in a later round using a portion of the ARRA funds (more below). There was a discussion about how the big counties could make a difference with respect to the goals of the program – diverting significant numbers from prison – but they also would take up a major share of the limited grant funds that are available. Cory reported on a conversation with Cook County Judge Paul Biebel about establishing a prostitution court, and Angelique Orr mentioned money for the statewide expansion of the Cook County drug school model (a.k.a. the SMART Act).

Status of implementation grant RFP

Lisa Braude from ICJIA reported on the status of the proposal for ARRA funds to support implementation grants for Adult Redeploy Illinois sites. The proposal has been completed, and next has to go through legal review, but the details are not likely to change. The ARRA proposal runs for 30 months starting July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012 (the "drop-dead date" for spending ARRA funds is 9/30/13, so there is opportunity to extend the period if necessary). The proposal period includes six months for planning grants (total amount capped at \$150,000), and \$3.44 million for 24-month implementation grants. In addition, there is a conservative budget for

staffing (program administrator, two part-time technical assistance providers, and data support) and nominal costs for printing, postage and travel.

The expectation is that all of the planning grant sites will receive implementation grants based on the local plans they submit and subject to the previously approved grant amount caps based on population. However, if Cook County does participate, there may have to be a competitive bid process for implementation grants. There was a discussion about the need to establish criteria for evaluation or assessment of proposals.

Discussion of committee structure and committee charges for Oversight Board

Mary Ann led the Oversight Board through a facilitated discussion about setting up a committee structure, an idea that was raised at the April 19th meeting. Based on the list of duties of the Oversight Board in Section 20 of the Crime Reduction, the following committees are proposed for discussion purposes:

Performance Measurement & Evaluation

- Develop process to support monitoring and evaluation
 - o Information collected should be coordinated with reporting requirements for ARRA funds
- Develop performance measurements system in which local jurisdictions collect data and report progress
 - o Performance measures will emphasize use of evidence-based or promising practices
 - o Information should be provided to local jurisdictions demonstrating the impact of EBPs and offering guidance on replicating EBPs and promising practices locally.
- Work with ICJIA researchers
 - o ICJIA has separate ARRA-JAG administrative funds that they will use to evaluate programs, including Adult Redeploy Illinois

Volunteers for the committee include: Joe Antolin, Walter Boyd, Jack Cutrone, Cory Foster, Rob Vickery, as well as Lisa Braude and Lindsay Bostwick from ICJIA.

Site Selection & Monitoring

- Develop scoring system for site selection
 - o Per the statute, scoring should encourage/enforce the use of EBPs/promising practices
- Review local plans and proposed agreements and approve distribution of funds
- Perform site visits (post-grant)

Volunteers for the committee include: Walter Boyd, Sean O'Brien, Angelique Orr, and Jorge Montes.

Outreach, Technical Assistance and Communication

- Report annually results of performance measurements to Governor and General Assembly
- Identify target counties for outreach and develop plans
- Advise on the development of training and other materials
- Advise on content of Adult Redeploy Illinois web site

Volunteers include: Jack Cutrone, Shelith Hansbro, Michael Hood, and Michael Randle.

Lisa Braude discussed that as part of ICJIA's strategic planning initiative, they are developing an evidence-based practices portal on the ICJIA web site. Information on specialty courts has been included on the web site, and research on alternatives to incarceration could be added along with other program initiative strategies that the Oversight Board might suggest.

Mary Ann Dyar and Rob Vickery agreed to draft the charges for each of the committees. Joe Antolin made the motion to approve the committee structure as proposed and amended to reflect the changes made in the meeting, which was seconded by Jack Cutrone. The motion was approved.

Co-chair Saddler adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m. upon a motion by Jack Cutrone, seconded by Walter Boyd.
(Approved 7/15/10)