

**Minutes from the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 21, 2010**  
**10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon**  
**JRTC 100 W. Randolph, 2nd Floor Videoconference Room 2-025, Chicago**  
**IDOC 1301 Concordia Court, ISU Building Lab Room, Springfield**  
**IDHS Harris Room, Springfield**

Board members present (Chicago): Joe Antolin, Walter Boyd, Jack Cutrone, Michael Hood, Thomas Mahoney, Adam Monreal, Michael Pelletier, Angelique Orr Gordon, Vicki Rogers, Robert Vickery

Board members in attendance via videoconference (Springfield): Grace Hong Duffin, Kathy Saltmarsh, Michael Torchia, James Radcliffe

Board members absent: Jesus Reyes, Gladyse Taylor, Brian Towne

Non-Board members in attendance: Brianna Baker-Carvell, Lindsay Bostwick, Jordan Boulger, Lisa Braude, Christine Devitt Westley, Mary Ann Dyar, David Eldridge, Sharyn Elman, Steve Karr, Simeon Kim, Mark Myrent, Lajuana Murphy, Sean O'Brien, Mark Pradun, Mark Proserpi, Sara Sullivan, Andrew Tessman

**Roll call**

The meeting was called to order, and Brianna Baker-Carvell took roll call. It was determined that there was a quorum.

**Approval of the minutes of September 16, 2010 meeting**

Upon a motion by Jack Cutrone, seconded by James Radcliffe, the minutes from the September 16<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

**Introduction of TA Providers**

Mary Ann Dyar announced that as of September 1<sup>st</sup>, two retired judges have been hired part-time to provide technical assistance for the program. She introduced Judge Thomas Sumner, who was an Associate Judge in Cook County for 19 years, who will be handling the Northern part of the state. Judge James Radcliffe, a member of the Oversight Board, will be the T.A. provider for the Southern part of the state. Judge Radcliffe is retired from St. Clair County and was on the bench for 20 years. He was instrumental in implementing the juvenile program and they have taken it from 87-11. He was helpful in getting the stakeholders in St. Clair on for the Adult Redeploy.

Judge Sumner and Judge Radcliffe related concerns they heard from planning grant sites at the summit T.A. session about future funding for the program. It was suggested that the Oversight Board take up this issue at a future meeting and possibly devise a strategy that could reassure the sites about the sustainability of the program. Judge Radcliffe also shared his experience with St. Clair as a juvenile Redeploy Illinois site.

**Presentation on County level data**

Steve Karr from IDOC presented on a comprehensive dataset analyzing every prison admission from FY06 through FY10 for eligibility for Adult Redeploy Illinois. The data are available by county, offense class and offense type. Looking at data at this level of detail allows jurisdictions to see trends in their admissions and target specific types of offenders for diversion.

Mary Ann noted that the bottom line shows that over the last five years, more than 50% of court admissions to IDOC would be eligible for Adult Redeploy Illinois. This does not necessarily take into account criminal history; but even if that would disqualify others, it is still a significant percentage.

## **Brief Status Updates from the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board Committees**

1.) Site Selection & Monitoring Committee- Brianna Baker-Carvell updated the group on the process of developing documents to use during the proposal review process. These documents are modeled after those used in the juvenile Redeploy Illinois program and by ICJIA for various funding purposes.

2.) Outreach, Technical Assistance & Communication Committee- Mike Hood explained that the goal of the Committee is to provide members with the proper information so they can be its ambassadors. The Committee has been working on branding for the program, FAQs, and a draft press release to circulate with the General Assembly. The group is also working on a draft of the annual report due to the Governor and General Assembly on December 31, 2010, which will highlight progress to-date.

3.) Performance Measurement Committee- Lisa Braude reported that the Committee will be meeting for the first time directly following the Oversight Board meeting. Grace Hong-Duffin stressed the importance of performance measurement in making the case to the General Assembly for continued funding by being able to show correctional savings through the program.

### **Review Local Plans**

Mary Ann reviewed the Crime Reduction Act requirements for Adult Redeploy Illinois: Each county will create a local plan and how it will protect public safety and save money, and the Oversight Board will review and approve the distribution of funds.

ICJIA and Adult Redeploy Illinois staff reviewed the first round plans in August/September, offered detailed feedback to the sites and answered any questions that resulted. Data questions were for the most part handled by Jordan Boulger at ICJIA who worked directly with the planning sites. All first round planning grant sites, except for Jo Daviess County, submitted a draft local plan even though their grants have not yet been paid by the Comptroller's Office. This situation is continually monitored.

A recommendation was made not to vote on the submissions of the second-round planning grantees (DuPage, McLean, and St. Clair) because they have not yet had a complete staff review.

Jack Cutrone requested clarification on the task at hand. According to the Crime Reduction Act and the RFP, the Oversight Board will approve the substance of the plans without respect to implementation dollars needed. Then, in December, the Oversight Board will meet again to arrive at funding recommendations for the approved local plans based on their merit and the funds available through a competitive process. Sean O'Brien noted that the Oversight Board can approve the local plans subject to certain adjustments, if necessary. An approved local plan is a requirement for applying for pilot site implementation funds; however, a jurisdiction need not have received a planning grant to produce the local plan.

### **Other**

- 1.) 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit proposes to add evidence-based Cog Groups, increase evaluations and counseling services, offer transportation subsidies, as well as provide T.A. to expand Drug Courts circuit-wide, and implement a unified case management system (JWatch).
  - a. The staff review noted that the plan cost more than the \$500,000 grant cap, and they were asked to revise the budget down. There was a discussion about how integral the expensive JWatch system is to their plan or whether it could be taken out, as well as how cost-effective the services they chose are.
  - b. Jack Cutrone made a motion, seconded by Vicky Rogers, to table the 2<sup>nd</sup> Circuit until the special meeting in November.

- 2.) Effingham County proposes to expand a country drug court area-wide incorporating Clay, Fayette, and Jasper Counties, and hiring a Drug Court Program Manager and a Drug Court Case manager/ Drug Test manager.
  - a. ICJIA has provided technical assistance as they determine their target population (possibly women and high-risk 18-24 year olds).
  - b. They are, however, unsure if they are going forward with implementation, in part because they are frustrated with the delay in GRF payments for their planning grant. In a conference call with their stakeholders, they were assured that the ARRA payment process for implementation funds is quicker.
  - c. Jack Cutrone motions to table this plan until the next meeting, seconded by Kathy Saltmarsh. Motion passes to table Effingham's local plan.
- 3.) Jersey County proposes to expand the capacity of the Drug Court from 8 to 20 by adding a full-time probation officer and outsourcing treatment services.
  - a. The staff review wanted them to check from sufficient treatment services are available, describe probation officer caseloads, budget for TASC assessments, and explain graduate sanctions.
  - b. Jack Cutrone made the motion to approve the plan subject to them amending their plan to the staff review comments, seconded by Walter Boyd. The motion passed.
- 4.) Knox County proposes doubling the capacity of their county Drug Court from 8 to 16 by increasing staffing; adding a treatment track; implementing EBPs, and conducting Board training.
  - a. The staff review questioned the EBP-rich plan's cost-effectiveness with the small target population, and they were asked to explore expanding the scope of the program to all probation-eligible offenders. They also were asked to check on the eligibility of the meth offenders for the program, which depends on statute.
  - b. The plan was tabled until the special meeting in November.
- 5.) Lake County looked at a population with high rates of program failure and recidivism. They decided not to go forward.
- 6.) Lee County looked at the need for services in employment and substance abuse, for services for high risk adult offenders, and for expanded criteria for mental health and drug court. They decided not to go forward.
- 7.) Macon County proposes enhancing probation services with EBPs, treatments for co-occurring disorders, electronic monitoring, and Community Restorative Boards.
  - a. The staff review notes a comprehensive plan and the buy-in of stakeholders, but it questions how the graduated sanctions model works. There have also been some data discrepancies.
  - b. Jack Cutrone made the motion to approve Macon County's local plan subject to the staff recommendations being implemented. The motion was seconded by Judge Radcliffe, and it passed.

A blanket motion was made by Jack Cutrone to table all remaining plans until a special meeting to be determined for a date in November, which was seconded by Angelique Orr Gordon, and passed.

### **Conclusion**

Co-chair Hong Duffin reminded the group that the December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting has been moved to December 9<sup>th</sup> to allow enough time to review the proposals and make funding recommendations for a vote. In addition to funding recommendations, adraft of the annual report will be presented and the 2011 meeting calendar will be approved. It was noted that the December 9<sup>th</sup> ARIOB meeting conflicts with a meeting of the Disproportionate Justice Impact Study Commission, which includes Walter Boyd, Michael Pelletier and Gladyse Taylor. Jack Cutrone questioned whether the two hour meeting is enough.

Jack Cutrone moved to adjourn the meeting, and Kathy Saltmarsh seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

**(Approved 12/17/10)**