

**Minutes from the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board (ARIOB)  
Site Selection and Monitoring Committee  
Friday, January 16, 2015  
10:00-12:00p.m.  
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA),  
300 W. Adams, Ste. 200, Chicago, IL 60606  
Large Conference Room**

ARIOB in attendance: Walter Boyd, Lisa Castillo (for Jack Cutrone), Emily Cole (for Tom Mahoney), Patricia Hayden, Adam Monreal

ARIOB by phone: James Radcliffe

Non ARIOB in attendance: Mary Ann Dyar, Cindy Puent, Lindsey LaPointe

Non ARIOB by phone: Thomas Sumner

**Welcome and introductions**

Committee Chair Angelique Orr called the meeting to order and called roll, determining there was quorum.

**Approval of previous meeting minutes**

Angelique Orr asked members to review the minutes. Adam Monreal made a motion to adopt the minutes from the October meeting, seconded by Patricia Hayden. All in favor, none opposed, minutes adopted.

**Brief discussion of site monitoring activities**

Before beginning the discussion on site monitoring, Mary Ann noted some recent committee and Adult Redeploy Illinois (ARI) Oversight Board member changes. In particular, board member Jack Cutrone is departing. The committee noted he has been a tireless supporter of ARI over the past few years. The committee members agreed that Jack Cutrone's work on these issues have been invaluable to progress. Walter Boyd noted that Jack Cutrone has been a tireless supporter of re-entry efforts and thanked him for all his efforts. The new Director of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) is John Maki who comes from the John Howard Association and has been instrumental in recent criminal justice reform in Illinois.

Lindsey LaPointe opened the discussion on site monitoring, highlighting a November 2014 site visit to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit. Over a three day period, four ARI staff visited three counties (Franklin, Jefferson, and Lawrence) in the rural circuit that runs 11 separate drug courts in the 12 county circuit. ARI staff met with each drug court team, met separately with every judge, conducted a facilitated meeting with probation stakeholders from the entire circuit, and visited a comprehensive treatment provider in Marion, Illinois that works with Franklin County. Lindsey provided detail on the strengths and areas of improvement of the program. In addition, the site visit report on the October 2014 to LaSalle County has been completed and is provided in the materials. The next site visit is scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit and board members are welcome.

Mary Ann Dyar provided information on the few sites under corrective action plans, noting that the Performance Measurement Committee is working on the corrective action plan policy, in particular for sites that may warrant corrective actions for things other than a failure to meet a reduction goal.

**Update on SFY15 funding and new sites**

Angelique reminded the committee that the board has approved four new sites, contingent on funding becoming available. Mary Ann provided a SFY15 funding update, noting that all SFY15 sites submitted "maintenance" budgets from SFY14 and then cut their budgets by an additional 10%. ARI staff has communicated to sites that a supplemental funding opportunity would be open to all sites if and when funding became available, although the fall veto session did not provide for increased funding. ICJIA was able to identify some funds through a funds transfer through the Department of Human Services

which allowed for the four new sites to proceed (due to prior approval), allowed for a supplemental funding opportunity (where six sites applied) and may allow for some planning grants in the spring of 2015. A list of jurisdictions who have expressed some interest in ARI is included in the meeting materials.

The Governor issued an executive order earlier this week that appears to have halted all contracts and ICJIA legal is seeking clarification on how this affects the new ARI sites, supplemental funding, and potential planning grantees. Although it's unclear how the executive order will affect these supplemental funding requests, ARI staff proposes to vote on the requests in preparation for moving forward.

Walter Boyd asked if the Governor's Office understands how ARI actually saves the state money, making it a smart program in times of austerity. ARI staff notes that this message is being passed along consistently and ARI is working with the Sentencing Policy Advisory Council to better articulate the cost-savings and benefits of ARI.

### **Review of supplemental funding requests**

ARI staff directed members to complete the conflict of interest forms. Lindsey opened the discussion on the six supplemental funding requests, noting all members received the cover letters for each request and a summary chart. Patricia Hayden inquired about under spending at the site level and its impact on future funding requests. ARI staff shared how under spending is calculated and tracked (through monthly fiscal reports). Under spending is calculated by dividing the total budget by the total number of months in the grant to come up with average spending per month. The expected average spending through the current month is then compared to the actual spending per the monthly fiscal reports. ARI staff noted that other factors influence under spending or the appearance of under spending such as paperwork delays, open positions and lags in billing. ARI staff is able to obtain information on actual under spending versus the appearance of under-spending by direct from the sites. Cindy Puent suggested that it would be helpful to know how much each site returned last year, noting that sites that returned funds may be able to address their current needs in a budget revision process, especially if the executive order halts the process of supplemental funding.

### *2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit*

Lindsey provided detail on what the site is asking for in supplemental funding, referring to the summary chart. Last year the Second Judicial Circuit lapsed about 5% of their total budget. Walter Boyd made a motion to approve the request for \$16,150.00 contingent on the ability to process an amendment to increase the award. Adam Monreal seconded. All in favor, none opposed, motion passes.

### *Cook HOPE*

Lindsey provided detail on what the site is asking for in supplemental funding, referring to the summary chart, and noting that a request has been made for more information from the site due to an appearance of under spending. Committee members inquired about the specific substance abuse treatment this would cover and how it fills service gaps. Emily Cole, a Cook HOPE team member, provided information that the funds are for residential treatment which is not covered by the Affordable Care Act and that the Cook HOPE program does see people in need of 28 day treatment and seeks to offer treatment outside of jail. Individuals in need for 90 or 120 treatment are often referred to drug court. It was noted that \$50,000 does not go a long way in residential treatment. ARI staff noted that this year especially, returning funds to the state should not be looked at negatively.

Patricia Hayden made a motion to approve the request for \$50,000.00 contingent on the ability to process an amendment to increase the award. Adam Monreal seconded. All in favor, none opposed, Emily Cole abstained, motion passes.

#### *Lake County*

Lindsey provided detail on what the site is asking for in supplemental funding, referring to the summary chart. Adam Monreal made a motion to approve the request for \$25,677.00 contingent on the ability to process an amendment to increase the award. Walter Boyd seconded. All in favor, none opposed, motion passes.

#### *Macon County*

Lindsey provided detail on what the site is asking for in supplemental funding, referring to the summary chart. Walter Boyd noted that the site does well with tracking expenses, spending and program needs. The mentor stipend component of Macon's program is intended to enable successful program exits when all conditions have been met expect for probation fees. Mentor stipends may not cover all the fees and the exact amounts of Macon's probation fees are unknown. Adam Monreal made a motion to approve the request for \$13,396.00 contingent on the ability to process an amendment to increase the award. Emily Cole seconded. All in favor, none opposed, motion passes.

#### *McLean County*

Lindsey provided detail on what the site is asking for in supplemental funding, referring to the summary chart. Mary Ann noted that the *Moral Reconation Therapy* training included in the supplemental funding request will be opened up to other sites. Walter Boyd made a motion to approve the request for \$10,600.00 contingent on the ability to process an amendment to increase the award. Patricia Hayden seconded. All in favor, none opposed, motion passes.

#### *Winnebago County*

Lindsey provided detail on what the site is asking for in supplemental funding, referring to the summary chart. Adam Monreal made a motion to approve the request for \$8,000.00 contingent on the ability to process an amendment to increase the award. Emily Cole seconded. All in favor, none opposed, motion passes.

#### **Old business/new business**

Lindsey went over next possible meeting dates, likely to come in the last week in April in advance of the May 4<sup>th</sup> Oversight Board meeting.

Adam Monreal motioned to adjourn at 11:45a.m., seconded by Emily Cole. All in favor, none opposed, meeting adjourned.

**(Approved 5/11/15)**