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REGULAR MEETING ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY

Friday, September 11, 2015 at 9:15 a.m. 300 West Adams Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room Chicago, Illinois

I. Roll Call

Chair Elizabeth Robb welcomed Board members and guests to the September 11, 2015 quarterly Board Meeting of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority. She called the meeting to order and asked General Counsel Lisa Stephens to call the roll.

In addition to Chair Robb, Authority Board Members in attendance were:

Clerk Dorothy Brown (after Roll Call)
Public Defender Amy Campanelli
Director Patrick Delfino
Clerk Maureen Josh
State's Attorney Bryan Kibler
Ms. Cindy Hora for Attorney General Lisa Madigan
Sheriff Michael McCoy
Ms. Pamela Paziotopoulos
President Toni Preckwinkle (after Roll Call)
Director Leo Schmitz
Ms. Jennifer Vollen-Katz
Ms. Paula Wolff

Because there was not a quorum at roll call, Chair Robb said matters that did not require one would be addressed first, until a quorum was established. She then asked for a moment of silence to remember all the lives that were lost on the date of the Board meeting 14 years ago during the World Trade Center tragedy, including many members of the public safety community.

Next, she welcomed new Board Members and had them introduce and give brief background about themselves. Included were Sheriff Michael McCoy, who has been in law enforcement since 1971 and Peoria County Sheriff, starting 2002; Ms. Pam Paziotopoulus, who practices family law, consults with companies on domestic violence, and teaches at Kent College of Law; Maureen Josh, Circuit Court Clerk of DeKalb County, who had been on the Authority Board previously from 2000 to 2006; and Bryan Kibler, who was elected Effingham County State's Attorney in 2012. Chair Robb again welcomed and thanked them on behalf of the Board.

With a quorum still pending, Chair Robb moved on to other matters not requiring one, starting with Public Comment.

II. Public Comment

Chair Robb explained that Public Comment was the opportunity for members of the public who wish to speak, and reminded everyone that pursuant to rules adopted at the last Authority Board Meeting, there is a three-minute limit and comments must be germane to the listed agenda items. With no response to Chair Robb's request for Public Comment, she moved on to make her remarks.

III. Chair's Remarks

Chair Robb said that she was trying to speak with each of the new Board Members individually, and although that has not been accomplished, she still planned to do so. She noted that since the last Authority Board Meeting, Board Members and staff, and particularly Executive Director John Maki, have been working extremely hard under difficult conditions with no state budget as yet, which has been very challenging.

She also reported that since the last Authority Board Meeting, two Committees have been very active: the Budget Committee which has been a part of the Authority for many years, chaired by Cynthia Hora; and the new Strategic Opportunities Committee, which had its first meeting recently, chaired by Paula Wolff. She thanked both Chairs and said she was eager to work with them in moving forward the goals of the Authority. She added that on behalf of all Board Members she also wanted to thank the staff for their energy and teamwork putting together a great deal of strategic planning with the leadership of the Authority.

She went on to say that for future meetings, it is important for Board Members to provide input for subject areas of interest related to criminal justice and information issues. She stressed the importance of having an engaged Board as a significant resource given each Member's expertise and welcomed suggestions. At that point, Clerk Dorothy Brown arrived, making- up a quorum. Chair Robb returned to the agenda, calling for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2015 Regular Authority Meeting.

IV. Approval of the Minutes of June 5, 2015, Regular Authority Meeting

{After Ms. Cynthia Hora corrected Paula Wolff's name from "Paul" in the listing of attendees, Ms. Wolff moved to approve the minutes as amended, with Ms. Hora seconding the motion. With no response to a call for discussion, the motion was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

President Toni Preckwinkle then arrived and Chair Robb moved on to the next item on the agenda, Resolutions of Commendation, for a unified motion to adopt.

V. Old Business – Resolutions of Commendation

She explained that the Resolutions honored former staff and past Board Members for their invaluable assistance toward meeting the Authority's mission to advance the Illinois criminal justice system by improving the quality of criminal justice information, research and grant programs. She further explained that the Resolutions were unable to be moved and adopted at the last Board Meeting because of lack of a quorum and went on to mention the recipients:

Former staff members:

Jack Cutrone, Authority Executive Director from October, 2009 until January, 2015, who started previously as the agency's General Counsel in January, 2006, and with whom she said she had the opportunity to work when she was a judge and was very grateful for his friendship and for the calm and quiet way that he led the Authority;

Mark Myrent, Authority Associate Director of Research and Analysis Unit, from March, 2007, until January, 2015, who held prior Authority positions as a Statistical Research Specialist starting in 1985, and a Senior Research Analyst and Manager for the Integrated Justice Information Systems Project;

Wendy McCambridge, Associate Director of the Federal and State Grants Unit since 2012 who left the Authority June 18th to become City Clerk of Aurora;

Past Authority Board Members:

Peter M. Ellis, former Authority Chairman from January, 2011 until December, 2014, a practicing attorney in the Chicago office of Reed Smith LLP, whose experience includes criminal defense representation;

Abishi Cunningham, former Cook County Public Defender, who served on the Authority Board from April, 2009 until March, 2015;

Ramon Escapa, Schuyler County State's Attorney, who served on the Authority Board from July, 2014 until January, 2015;

William T. Fitzpatrick, Chief of the Glenview Police Department, who served on the Authority Board from November 30, 2011 until January, 2015;

Salvador Godinez, former Director of the Illinois Department of Corrections, who served on the Authority Board from May, 2011 until March, 2015.

Felix M. Gonzalez, an attorney in private practice serving on boards of other non-profit organizations dealing with disadvantaged youth, who served on the Authority Board from January, 2010 until January, 2015;

Hiram Grau, former Director of the Illinois State Police, who served on the Authority Board from April, 2011 until January, 2015.

John R. Harvey, a Program Development and Grant Consultant for Chestnut Health Systems, a not-for-profit mental health and substance abuse treatment agency, who served on the Authority Board from November, 2011 until January, 2015;

Dr. Lamar Hasbrouck, former Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, who served on the Authority Board, from April, 2012 until January, 2015.

Lisa S. Jacobs, Program Manager for the Models for Change Initiative, funded by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, and managed by Loyola University School of Law, who served on the Board from November, 2011 until January, 2015.

Patrick B. Perez, former Kane County Sheriff, who served on the Authority Board from January, 2009 until his retirement as Sheriff in November, 2014;

Randall B. Rosenbaum, Chief Public Defender of Champaign County since 1998, who served on the Authority Board from May, 2011 until January, 2015.

Angela R. Rudolph, former President of Think. Plan. Do. Consulting, a firm providing services addressing communications and government relations, policy analysis and social media strategy development, who served on the Authority Board from November, 20 11 until January, 2015.

Chair Robb next presented the Resolutions of Commendation for a unified motion to adopt:

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforementioned former staff and past Board Members are hereby commended and cited for their dedication and contributions toward meeting the Authority's goal of improving the administration of criminal justice in Illinois.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the gratitude and best wishes of this Authority and the people of the State of Illinois be conveyed to them through the presentation of appropriate commemoration in honor of their dedicated service and achievement.

She then asked for a unified motion to adopt them.

{President Preckwinkle so moved, with Ms. Cindy Hora seconding the unified motion. With no response to a call for discussion, the unified motion was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

VI. New Business – Revision: ICJIA's Grant Making Principles

Chair Robb moved on to new business addressing the revision of the Authority's Grant Making Principles for approval. Executive Director Maki outlined the background of the original Grant Making Principles, established and approved in 2011, noting that they deal only with federal grant making. He said the ones currently being presented for adoption include state grant making. He also covered the original review process which involved before Board review and adoption, input from the Budget and Planning and Research Committees.

Continuing, he said that the Grant Making Principles now being presented for adoption were reviewed by the Budget Committee along with the Strategic Opportunities Committee. He stated that both entities agreed that with the addition of state grant making, the current Grant Making Principles should be adopted. At that point, Chair Robb asked Clerk Josh who was on the Board at the time the original Grant Making Principles were adopted her opinion, with Clerk Josh agreeing with Executive Director Maki. Chair Robb then asked for a motion to adopt the revised ICJIA Grant Making Principles as presented.

{President Preckwinkle so moved, with Ms. Paula Wolff seconding the motion. With no response to a call for discussion, the motion was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

VII. Executive Director's Report and Remarks

Chair Robb then moved on to the Executive Director's Report and Remarks. Executive Director Maki reported that the goal of his report was to give a high-level overview to keep the Board apprised of the work in which the Authority has been engaged. He added that if Board Members had feedback or would like other issues covered, he would like to know so that those issues can be addressed at the next Board Meeting. He then said that before giving his overview he would like to note that while there has been focus on past practices and changes to make, he wanted to make clear that in no way he wanted to diminish prior work of past Boards.

In that regard, he recognized Cindy Hora, a Member of the past and current Board, whom he said has been a real stalwart, always reliable, particularly in reading the minutes, evidenced by her amendment. He also recognized State's Attorney Anita Alvarez, who has served and continues to serve as Vice-Chair; and in her absence, her Designee Jennifer Greene, who also is always there to assist. He added that it was in that spirit that he looked forward to working with all Board Members.

Director Maki then reported that the most visible improvement was the Authority's new website. He said that Deputy Director Randy Kurtz was the project leader and the Authority's website is now an elegant streamlined presentation of the Authority's work. He continued to highlight some of the changes and thanked Deputy Director Kurtz as well as thanking Anthony Jenkins, Associate Director of Information Technology and his staff. He added that the improvements also came about through major interdisciplinary work with all units providing information on the most concise, acceptable way to present the work they do.

At that point, Deputy Director Kurtz said that in particular Cristin Evans, the Authority's Public Information Officer, and Chris Schweda, the Authority's Webmaster, provided a great deal of the website development, and reiterated that it was a considerable team effort with many staff involved. Executive Director Maki then discussed the changes of how the Authority's research would be presented, making it more concise, accessible, and web friendly. He again asked that if anyone had feedback, to please let him know and added that the Authority was very proud and excited about its new website.

Executive Director Maki moved on to report on another major activity of the Authority in which he and Chair Robb have been involved, the Illinois Commission on Criminal Justice and Sentencing Reform. He said they both chair Commission Committees, for which they have arranged meetings, bringing in speakers and working with the Committee Members to analyze use of prison crime data. He added that they also have participated in Commission hearings.

In response to a question by President Preckwinkle as to preliminary findings before the Commission's report is released by the end of the year, Chair Robb noted that a preliminary report was published in June. She said that it is available on the Authority's website, because the Authority is providing staff for the Commission. She added that all the minutes of Commission and Commission Committee Meetings also are on the website. In addition, she related that the involvement in the hearings by citizens and communities affected by crime was very impressive and examples of how some communities have addressed violence in the state of Illinois improving the situation was hopeful.

Executive Director Maki added that Peoria was one of those communities and noted that a presentation about its efforts would be made later in the meeting. He also said that he felt positive about the nuance people are bringing to this issue, that it is not just about reducing prison populations or controlling crime, but it is about doing both at the same time. He remarked that there is a wealth of burgeoning effective practices around the country and in the state that can be drawn upon, which he said gave him confidence.

He moved on mentioning the work of two of the Authority's Committees: the Budget Committee and the Strategic Opportunities Committee, noting that the Chairs of those Committees would be giving updates shortly. He said that the activities of those Committees have been very invigorating, toward the goal of not only providing transparency but giving a sense of the reasons for actions taken, particularly with limited and some cases, diminishing funding for programs to reduce crime and improve public safety.

Executive Director Maki then reviewed two core units: Federal and State Grants, and Research and Analysis. He said that the former had been without an Associate Director for the past three or four months, with Deputy Director Randy Kurtz as acting head for two of those months and himself serving as head the other period. He went on to say that he anticipated naming a new Associate Director probably as early as the week after the meeting. He then gave an overview of a request for proposals that closed the end of August for the Service Training Officers Prosecutors (STOP) Program affiliated with the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Program and that applications were currently being reviewed. He also talked about some of the difficult state funding situations, but added that the Authority's federal funding was encouraging.

In response to a question by President Preckwinkle as to the specific impact of the state funding situation, he said it was very difficult. He added that the Authority is in contact with the Governor's Office and grantees trying to bring about solutions. State's Attorney Bryan Kibler then gave an example of the problems being experienced, citing the Adult Redeploy Illinois Mental Health Court in Effingham County now having severely restricted enrollments. President Preckwinkle then cautioned that after a conversation she had with the Speaker regarding Cook County financial concerns, it appeared that a resolution did not seem likely until next year.

Ms. Cynthia Hora then mentioned difficulties victim service programs that rely on state funding are having, with a number of them laying off staff. In the discussion that followed, Ms. Paula Wolff asked if the Board could be briefed on the impact of the financial situation, given the Authority's fiduciary responsibility for the state grants that are administered. Executive Director Maki responded that for the next Budget Committee Meeting there would be scenarios, which will be available to all Board Members.

He next moved on to discuss and praise the work and direction of the Research and Analysis Unit under the leadership of Associate Director Dr. Megan Alderden. He pointed out that in line with the work of the Illinois Commission on Criminal Justice and Sentencing Reform, there is a more concrete sense of how different counties are using prison and are responding to crime, adding that it is a level of analysis that has been missing from many state conversations in the last several years. Executive Director Maki then noted a letter from the Bureau of Justice Statistics included in the materials thanking the Authority for work that was done in partnership with the Illinois Department of Corrections.

He explained that for almost 10 years the Department of Corrections was not able to report basic vital statistics about its population because of a breakdown in its information systems, which required a very expensive repair. He further explained that the Authority received a grant to work with the Department of Corrections to fix the problem and for the first time in nine years corrections data was able to be reported to the federal government. Executive Director Maki said this outcome was significant for two reasons: one, Illinois now is able to ascertain how the state compares nationally; and two, it is important to the Authority's federal partners that the Authority is seen as participating in their information gathering, particularly for funding purposes.

In closing, Executive Director Maki described an evaluation that the Authority is doing with the city of Peoria and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Central District of their focused deterrence program, known as "Don't Shoot," highlighting its success. He noted that a presentation about that effort would be made as the last agenda item and also announced a conference featuring it was going to be held November 4 and 5, in Peoria.

He explained that the conference will bring together representatives from law enforcement, public safety and justice system communities throughout Illinois with national and local experts presenting on innovative approaches for reducing serious crimes and high levels of gun violence. He added that the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and the Joyce Foundation were providing financial support for the

conference and that Board Members were invited to attend. With no response to his call for further discussion, he thanked everyone and turned the meeting over to Randy Kurtz, ICJIA Deputy Director, for an ICJIA Financial Report.

VIII. ICJIA Financial Report

Deputy Director Kurtz began by stating that when he came to the Authority six months ago, his goal was to deliver to the Board and other constituencies a schematic and comprehensive yet concise view of the financial picture of the agency, which he said is challenging because there are many different funding streams and different ways that money is expended. He said that he would be discussing cash-on-cash expenditures for fiscal year 2015, ending June 30, noting the amount of \$57 million for that period. He explained of that amount, \$48 million went to grantees and about \$8 million to operate the Authority.

He further explained that 62 percent of the grant money expended was distributed from the federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), and Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) funding sources. He noted that Authority operations are funded through both state budget and federal administrative money, and detailed the ratios. He then discussed expenditures with the bulk of the cost payroll and associated employee benefits, and outlined Senate Bill 2042 and what it allows to be covered.

Next, he previewed a new funding streams and grant making layout project developed in direct response to Board Member Patrick Delfino's question about this information, which he said would be unveiled at next week's Strategic Opportunities Committee Meeting. He went to say that a great deal of work has been devoted to its creation by staff members Jude Lemrow, Ieva Massengill, and Dr. Megan Alderden.

He outlined the information that will be on a link and PDF sent in advance of the Strategic Opportunities Committee Meeting and interactive on the Authority's website. He asked that after reviewing it, comments be made as to what is included and not included, stating that as Deputy Director and Chief Financial Officer, financial transparency is absolutely critical. In closing he said that it is very important that participants in the criminal justice system can ascertain how their part is funded and that this project will not only provide that data, but will be used to drive and fund criminal justice system policy and improvements. With no further discussion, Chair Robb thanked Deputy Director Kurtz and moved on to the next agenda item, Committee Reports.

IX. Committee Reports

Chair Robb said the Chairs of two active Authority Committees would give reports with the first by Budget Committee Chair Cynthia Hora. Ms. Hora reviewed the August 6, Budget Committee Meeting, noting that mostly it was spent providing a framework for the following: how the Budget Committee will be making decisions in the future, the basis for those decisions and the kind of information that will be presented. She discussed subjects covered including the new state law involving state grants, which will require

more use of Requests for Applications (RFAs) and Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and more transparency with some recording requirements.

She said it was noted in discussion that the role of the Budget Committee has become more of a grants review Committee examining the individual grants themselves as opposed to a policymaking body in deciding whether or not the grants comply or conform with the Authority's grant making principles and priorities. She continued to say that also discussed was moving away from that approach and becoming more focused on whether the grants meet the Authority's policy and strategic opportunities that will emerge from the Strategic Opportunities Committee.

Ms. Hora went on to state that other areas covered included how staff make award recommendations, how requests are reviewed and agreements drafted, along with grant recovery efforts that staff make to recover lapsed or misspent funds. In addition, she reported that also reviewed was the format for staff recommendations to assure that the Budget Committee receives all the information needed to make decision in these areas.

In closing, Ms. Hora said that one item of business was conducted with the Budget Committee approving \$40,000 to support the conference mentioned earlier featuring Peoria's successful "Don't Shoot" focused deterrence program. She said she was looking forward to the next Budget Committee Meeting when other recommendations based on staff input that was outlined would be considered.

Chair Robb thanked Ms. Hora and clarified that the Budget Committee meeting discussed was more of an orientation, and that an orientation for all new Board members was being developed. She said she found the Budget Committee orientation helpful and thought that even long-term Board members benefitted from it, encouraging all Board Members, old and new, to attend the new Board Members orientation when it is scheduled. Executive Director Maki followed saying that it may be a webcast, but that it is important for all new Board Members to understand the Authority financially and programmatically and the presentation will be the most accessible and transparent toward that end.

Chair Robb then called on Ms. Paula Wolff for a report on the meeting of the Strategic Opportunities Committee, which she chairs. Ms. Wolff started by thanking Chair Robb and Executive Director Maki for the assignment afforded to the Strategic Opportunities Committee and invited all Board Members to undertake the Committee's charge to achieve the goals of the Authority, facilitating the most effective criminal justice system possible in Illinois. She reported that the meeting was very much like the Budget Committee's format discussing basics, focusing on the Authority's three elements: research, grant making, and information and data collection.

Ms. Wolff continued to say that minutes and other materials presented at the meeting would be made available to everyone, allowing those who were unable to attend to be kept apprised and urged all Board Members to make it a regular practice to attend future Strategic Opportunities Committee meetings. She then covered what was addressed including the charge to the Committee, which was basically accepted; principles that

underlie the Committee's work; grant making principles; and federal government guidelines governing how federal grants are spent.

Ms. Wolff went on to note that also discussed was the additional money that is expected from the federal Victims of Crimes Act (VOCA) program and how the Committee could develop a framework to make the best use of those funds in terms of meeting the goals of the Authority overall. In addition, she reported that there were discussions as to how past decisions have been made about grants, what future decisions would be made and how that would actually happen. She then announced that the Strategic Opportunities Committee plans to meet monthly, with the next meeting September, 16, 9:30 a.m., and invited everyone to attend.

In closing, Ms. Wolff stated that everything the Committee recommends will come to the full Authority Board for review and approval and that the Committee plans to have recommendations as to its charge before the end of the calendar year. She again said how pleased she is with the Committee, with Chair Robb thanking Ms. Wolff. At that point, Executive Director Maki encouraged all Board Members to attend all Budget Committee and Strategic Opportunities Committee meetings, whether a Member or not, explaining that when they attend they become a Member of the committee as a whole.

He then announced the next agenda item, presentations on crime control and deterrence in Illinois, featuring the program in Peoria and its evaluation by the Authority mentioned earlier. He said that the intention is to disseminate the results of the evaluation throughout the state, which he felt represents the Authority at its best: listening to local law enforcement and local stakeholders, trying to ascertain what they are doing and what resources the Authority can provide to help them be the most effective. He then called on Dr. Megan Alderden, Associate Director of the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit to give a brief framework for understanding how deterrence currently works in Illinois.

X. Presentations & Discussion

The State of Crime Control in Illinois: Dr. Megan Alderden, Associate Director, ICJIA Research and Analysis Unit

Dr. Alderden started by covering how deterrence works in the criminal justice system and currently in Illinois. She pointed out that there are some limits in terms of data, therefore some she was using are national level but are similar regardless of the source. She continued to say that using such information can actually identify how to frame or improve responses to a crime problem and specifically use a more targeted strategy than the blanket approach that is currently very typical in the criminal justice system.

She went on to explain that there are two types of deterrence practiced: general deterrence, basically trying to prevent people from committing crimes; and specific deterrence, aimed at someone who actually already has committed the crime, to help change that behavior. She continued to explain the three mechanisms by which the deterrence methods are undertaken: certainty of punishment or some type of response;

swiftness or how quickly the response happens; and the severity or strength of the punishment provided.

In the ensuing discussion, Dr. Alderden gave statistics for violent and property offenses committed, those reported to police, arrests by police and arrests resulting in conviction. Also discussed was the median number of days between arrest and sentencing, the Illinois adult population under correctional supervision, and the average length of stay of felons exiting the Illinois Department of Corrections by class. She also talked about how many crimes go unreported, with even fewer resulting in arrest and conviction; the processing of cases taking time; and increased punishment with more people in contact with the system longer, with only modest public safety improvements.

Various comments were made in response to Dr. Alderden's presentation, including President Preckwinkle's pointing out that the United States has five percent of the world's population and 25 percent of the people in the world who are in jail or prison. Dr. Alderden and others then discussed the negative aspects of this situation, with Dr. Alderden noting how focused deterrence can help correct it by increasing certainty and swiftness of punishment; using the right amount of punishment; including community input; increasing perceptions of legitimacy; and producing dramatic impact without significant dollar increases.

<u>Don't Shoot:</u> Focused Deterrence in Peoria: Tate Chambers, Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Central District

At that point, Chair Robb thanked Dr. Alderden, with Executive Director John Maki introducing Tate Chambers, Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Central District to describe the "Don't Shoot: Focused Deterrence Program" in Peoria. After thanking the Board for the opportunity to discuss the program, Assistant U.S. Attorney Chambers gave background on how it developed in Peoria.

He mentioned being called to work at the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., from his position in the U.S. Attorney's Office in Peoria in 2007 to learn the Department's antigun violence program. He said that a team was formed representing all the shareholders from the Department, and all the federal agencies that had a role in gun violence along with federal firearm prosecutors from around the country.

He continued to explain that the team talked to crime researchers, judges, prosecutors, victims and community representatives nationwide and kept hearing about a successful drop in violent crime with less people being put in prison in High Point, North Carolina that was continuing in that direction for six to seven years. He said the team became aware that the program was based on focused deterrence, developed by David Kennedy the author of the book, "Don't Shoot."

Assistant U.S. Attorney Chambers noted that what was especially impressive to learn about this program in High Point, was that through it, the community, especially distressed parts of the community, had bonded with law enforcement, developed trust in

each other, and were listening to each other. He then outlined how the program in Peoria started in 2011 after an eight-year old boy was shot and killed in his bed by a drive-by shooter.

He related steps that were taken to educate the community, starting with the Peoria Public Library featuring David Kennedy's "Don't Shoot" book for its yearly reading event and also promoting it for book clubs and discussions all over the city, including radio shows, David Kennedy appearing at public forums, a public awareness program with billboards, bus signs, T-shirts, websites and appearances by law enforcement and others before community organizations and schools. He talked about other activities undertaken to promote the program, including communicating with gang members.

He gave further details about additional facets of how the "Don't Shoot" program started and continues to work successfully in Peoria, including the Police Chief totally reorganizing his department, disbanding his narcotics and street crime units and creating a target offender unit designed to support "Don't Shoot." He reiterated that the "Don't Shoot" program is working in Peoria. In closing, U.S. Attorney Chambers thanked everyone and recounted additional positive impact of the focused deterrence and David Kennedy's "Don't Shoot" approach. He related how in North Carolina the program helped bring together communities that had been racially apart for hundreds of years.

Executive Director Maki thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney Chambers. In the discussion that followed, subjects included how successful outcomes of the program are tracked, with the biggest being that offenders who participate do not re-offend. Assistant U.S. Attorney Chambers went on to say there are huge success stories about education and bringing families back together, rather than continuing to take young men out of communities with negative consequences. Also covered was the call-in aspect of the focused deterrence program which requires those on probation or parole to participate and helps them with areas such as social services and education opportunities and has been found to be very beneficial.

Ms. Jennifer Vollen-Katz then raised the issue of efforts to replicate successful initiatives throughout the state such as the Peoria "Don't Shoot" Program seem to be missing. Executive Director Maki responded that the intention of the upcoming Conference on focused deterrence and the success of the Peoria "Don't Shoot" program was precisely to bring attention to this deficiency and promote collaboration among stakeholders statewide. Also, in response to comments about the need for funds to support such programs, he said that subject would be addressed at the conference as well.

XI. Adjourn

Chair Robb then thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for their participation. With several Board Members having left earlier, there was not a quorum at that point; therefore, Chair Robb adjourned the meeting without a motion for adoption.