Illinois Sentencing Policy Advisory Council

March 18, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location:

James R. Thompson Center, Room 2-025 Chicago, IL

Members Present: Gino DiVito (Chair), Kwame Raoul (Vice-Chair), Warren Wolfson (Vice Chair), Mike Tardy, Jack Cutrone, Mike Hood, Alan Spellberg, David Yellen, Jeff Howard, Gladyse Taylor, Pat Unsinn (for Mike Pelletier), PatriciaWatkins, Adam Monreal, Nick Kondelis.

Members present by phone: Tom Callum, Mike Waller, John Millner

Members Absent: Cynthia Cobbs, Ronald Holt, Jim Durkin, William Clay III, Will Burns

<u>Non-members present</u>: Kathy Saltmarsh, Paula Wolff, Corey Foster, Pete Baroni, Mark Myrent, Lisa Stephens, Chris Devitt-Westley, Lindsay Bostwick, Sara Sullivan, Dave Olson, Steve Karr, Simeon Kim.

Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda Overview

Chair DiVito called the sixth meeting of the Illinois Sentencing Policy Advisory Council to order at 10:15 a.m. He opened the meeting by noting that Mike Waller, Lake County State's Attorney and SPAC's newest member, was joining us by phone. A round of introductions of all present and via phone followed. Chair DiVito then reviewed the purposes of the meeting as follows:

Approval of Minutes from November 5, 2010 Meeting

It was noted that two changes to the minutes were needed, and it was agreed that on the condition of those changes being made, the minutes could be approved. Upon a motion by Jack Cutrone, seconded by Tom Callum, the minutes of the January 21, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved.

Update from the Executive Director

Staffing

SPAC has been authorized to hire two people, a policy advisor and a research director, who can interface more productively with other researchers than Ms. Saltmarsh is able to. The help will be appreciated, though there has been no lack of support from CJIA, DOC, Dave Olson and Don Stemen.

Working lunch

Reports from ARI, RANA, and the ICJIA strategic planning work groups were presented.

Population Management Working Group

Other Business

Chair DiVito noted that the next meeting is on June 10, 10 to 1:30 in the same location.

Motion to adjourn by Jack Cutrone, seconded by Mike Hood. The seventh meeting of the Illinois Sentencing Policy Advisory Council adjourned at 1:10 p.m.