

# Michigan State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision (MSCIJS)

Wednesday March 7, 2018 1:30 p.m.

Teleconference

Physical Meeting Location:

Grand Tower Building, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor

235 S. Grand Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933

## Minutes

### MSCIJS Members in Attendance:

Honorable John D. Tomlinson, Probate & Family Court, St. Clair County

Cheri Arwood, the Office of the Governor, State of Michigan

Honorable Margaret O'Brien, Michigan State Senate

Roy Yaple, Commissioner, State of Michigan, Michigan Interstate Compact for Juveniles (ICJ), DHHS

### Ad Hoc MSCIJS Members in Attendance:

Matt Doolittle

- I. Welcome, introduction and meeting agenda presentation by Roy Yaple.
- II. Approval of Minutes from August 30, 2017 council meeting.
  - Motion to approve was made and seconded with approval.
- III. Adherence to Open Meetings Act (OMA).
  - MSCIJS meeting notice was publically posted within specified time frame in compliance with the OMA.
  - Meeting minutes will be publically posted within specified time frame on MDHHS web page in compliance with OMA.
- IV. Council update by Roy Yaple.
  - The council continues to work with the Governor's appointment office to suggest possible replacements and go through the appointment process.
- V. An update on the 2018 Annual Meeting was provided by Roy Yaple.
  - The meeting will be held in New Orleans, LA on September 10 - 12, 2018, with Roy Yaple in attendance.

- VI. An update on the 2018 ICJ rules by Roy Yaple.
- No major rule changes.
  - Approvals of rule changes were as expected.
- VII. Presentation of the ICJ OAG Executive Summary and Complete Audit report by Roy Yaple.
- Corrective Action Plan (CAP) in response to audit results began about a year ago.
  - Audit findings are being addressed mainly by process and procedure changes in the MI ICJ office.
  - Court training opportunities are being expanded in response to audit findings suggesting that courts want more training.
  - CAP response to audit findings will be a standing agenda item for the next several council meetings.

Follow-up discussion revealed that it is not known if/when the OAG will be back to reassess the MI ICJ office. While a definitive answer is not known, signs suggest that another audit to review progress will be forthcoming. The MI ICJ office has adjusted internal procedures through the CAP to address audit findings. Progress is being made and internal audits are being performed to measure improvements.

- VIII. Presentation of FY 2017 & FY 2018 YTD ICJ Training Summary by Roy Yaple.
- Training has occurred and continues to be scheduled for ICJ processes.
  - Large trainings have also occurred, with multiple staff involved.
  - Courts are now reaching out for training more than in the past.
  - MI ICJ is now doing National ICJ training as well as MI specific training.
    - i. A session on National Rules training is scheduled for May with MI ICJ in participation.
- IX. Presentation of ICJ Training and Compliance Plan for Courts by Roy Yaple.
- MI ICJ has put together a training and compliance plan for MI courts.
  - MI ICJ is working with the State Court Administrative Office (SCAO) to provide to courts.
- X. Presentation of ICJ Court Guide by Roy Yaple.
- The court guide was developed by MI ICJ as a self-check guide for ICJ compliance for MI courts.

Follow-up discussion revealed that it is believed that courts rarely bypass ICJ requirements knowingly, the obstacle appears to be a lack of knowledge. The ICJ Court Guide appears to be a great resource for courts to identify and

correct knowledge gaps in regards to ICJ. Boundary courts tend to be the largest presence of issues, whether due to a lack of ICJ knowledge or court arrangements made outside of ICJ requirements. As knowledge spreads and access to information becomes more readily available, MI ICJ court statistics should improve.

- XI. Old Business/New Business.
  - Next meeting
    - i. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, August 22, 2018 in the afternoon. Time will be determined at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.