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General Session Scheduled Meeting, December 9, 2014

President Sheriff Wilde calls the meeting to order. Sheriff Nielsen motioned to approve minutes from July 22nd & 23rd, 2014. Sheriff Heward seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

IDOC- Dir. Kevin Kemp

Justice Reinvestment Act- The act was passed during the last legislative session in which enables probation officers the ability to place parolees in jail immediately for violations. Legislation did not include reimbursement to county jails for housing the offenders. This should be remedied in the next legislative session.

There is need for additional Parole Officers under the new legislation however it is not anticipated that will happen this year. As a result officers will need to partner with local services for the resources needed.

Further discussion included where to house offenders if local jail is full and how this will affect transportation needs to court.

U.S. Marshalls-Brian Underwood

October 6th & 7th is the National Sexual Exploitation training. There is no cost for the conference or hotel, some food will be provided. However, at this time it is unknown if travel expenses will be reimbursed for attendees. The conference will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday allowing Monday and Thursday for travel days.

Marshall Underwood has not received any specific instruction regarding housing offenders in non-compliant PREA jails. Transporting offenders to another state with compliant facilities would be costly and difficult. Until advised otherwise, the U.S. Marshalls will proceed with business as usual.

Public Safety Technologies Summit – Ex. Dir. Vaughn Killeen

The summit was held in October, great turn out with attendees and vendors. Summit talked about changes coming in communication technology. Vendors attending the summit have a clear idea of Idaho geography and the needs for different areas. There is talk of creating one umbrella that covers all agencies.

The ECC two day seminars will be held January 15th & 16th. Sheriff Humphries is a part of the commission. There is money for counties to attend the seminar.

ICRMP- Dir. Rick Ferguson/Carl Erickson

Jails Standards – jails must be compliant with specific standards in order to receive maximum liability insurance. Since this requirement, significantly more jails are meeting the 8 standards identified to lower claims. One of those standards involving security checks has reduced the number of suicides from 12 in 2013 to two in 2014.

A reminder to stay on top of video surveillance, which can fail at times at no fault of the facility however in litigation it appears if information is being hidden.

Lexipol-- a program which provides and updates patrol policies and procedures. ICRMP provides a 5% premium discount to agencies utilizing the program as it reduces liability. The discount basically covers the annual cost of the service. However there have been many complaints surrounding Lexipol. Ferguson asked if the Sheriffs want to continue with the service or look for a more effective tool. ICRMP is more than willing to provide administrative assistance in coordinating a user group made up of both Sheriffs and Chief of Police to identify a new program and/or monitor Lexipol or an alternative but is asking law enforcement to dictate what direction it goes.

Sheriff Raney advised his company is willing to develop a program in which basic policies on best practices are published for agencies. The product would be more specific to Idaho and allow for agencies to receive updates on policies without erasing policies revisions which is currently occurring with Lexipol updates. Sheriff Raney further suggested a jail component of the program. Sheriff Raney believes he can have this program ready in less than a year.

Sheriff Gough motioned to invest in an alternative to Lexipol. Sheriff McFall seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Legislation Update- Mike Kane

General body had no objections to Mike Kane removing unnecessary statutes from Idaho laws.

- 20-609/20-626 removing inmates
- 31-2215 Sheriff as court crier
- 19-303 Dueling among elected officials
- 19-511 Railroad and steamboat police, may retain railroad

Sheriff Nielsen motioned to support legislation that provides discretion to judges to remove shackles from juveniles while in court. Sheriff Sanders seconded the motion. Motion approved

Sheriff Goetz made a motion to move forward on amending the Justice Reinvestment Act to include \$45/day payment to jails for parolees and probationers serving discretionary time. Sheriff Carter seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Sheriff Ellis motioned ISA support Prison Litigation Reform. Sheriff Snarr seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Rap Back- Dawn Peck

The program is hosted by ISP keeps employee finger print records on file and send notice to employers if the employee is arrest and/or charged with a crime. Sheriff Rauch motioned for ISA to support the Rap Back legislation. Sheriff Wolfinger seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Sex Offender Registration ISP/ISA interface update- Dawn Peck

ISP purchased and plans to distribute signature pads to the counties in January along with procedures and guidelines of use. ISP is prepared to go live with the pad in February or March.

Elections- President Sheriff Wilde

Sheriff Wheeler nominated Sheriff Humphries as Second Vice President of the Association. Sheriff Carter seconded the motion. Nomination approved. Sheriff Humphries voted Second Vice President for 2015.

Sheriff Wolfinger motioned Sheriff Alexander remain as Secretary. Sheriff Liford seconded the motion. Sheriff Alexander voted Secretary for 2015.

SAUSA- Sheriff Donahue and Mr. Larson

Mr. Larson from the Treasure Valley Partnership made of Mayor and Commissioners from Boise, Nampa and Caldwell talked about the 501 C3 programs that work towards common problems. In 2005 the partnership began addressing gang violence. A Special Assistant United States Attorney known as SAUSA was hired by a grant to prosecute gang cases federally. There have been 45 incitements. Convicts are serving sentences in out of state federal prisons lessening the financial burden on the Counties and State. The program has reduced the number of gang related shooting. Federal statues have longer prison sentences which disrupt gang activity. SUASA is looking to take the program statewide. Sheriff Wheeler chairs a coalition that has heard from seven to eight jurisdictions interested in participating.

Sheriff Nielsen motioned that ISA draft a letter of support to fund SAUSA and send to the Governor's Office. Sheriff Thomas seconded the motion. Motion approved. Sheriff Wheeler will draft the letter with Sheriff Donahue's assistance.

Open Discussion-

1033 Military Surplus Program, Representative Raul Labrador is drafting federal legislation prohibiting the distribution of military surplus to law enforcement. Sheriff Raney motioned ISA draft a letter to distribute to Idaho's Senators and Representatives opposing Rep. Labrador's purposed legislation. Sheriff Nielsen seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Violent Offender Registration proposed legislation requiring offenders convicted with violent felonies to register. Ex. Dir. Killeen will publish legislation via the listserve.

Reservations/Tribal Lands-Nez Perce tribal members are requesting to have jurisdiction over all citizens living on tribal lands including non-tribal members. There are concerns regarding tribal courts for non-tribal persons. Tribal police want to be POST certified.

University Police- Schools are turning to own security instead of reporting crimes to the city. An example is Idaho State University whereas a professor accidentally shot himself in the foot in front of the class. The incident was not reported to law enforcement and only became known through the media.

DNA Testing- ISP is unable to run DNA testing in a timely manner and need permission from the agency to send DNA to an outside source for testing.

Body Cameras- suggested the Operations Committee work on policies surround the camera. Sheriff Rauch advised he had polices to share that he has used for the last 10 years.

Meeting adjourned.