

ISA General Meeting
Coeur d'Alene Resort, Idaho

Wednesday May 16, 2018

Jail Standards Committee, Chair Sheriff Paul Wilde

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wilde at 8:02 a.m. on May 16, 2018. Present at the meeting were: Chair Paul Wilde, Cindy Malm, Vaughn Killeen, Doug Hughes, Michael Wiggins, Shauna Gavin, Casey Burns, Laurie Kendrick, Brian Covert, Sam Hulse, Daren Ward, Andrew Kiehl, Kieran Donahue, Mike Gunderson, Holly Lindsey, Jason Horrocks, Jared Willmore, Lance Stutzke, Gary Taylor, George Oppekyk, Marisela Ibarra, Jeff Stevens, Jeffrey Hoff, Rick Henry, Robert Kelly Wells, Bart Heslington, Matt Galloway, Alvin Winegar, Len Humphries, Thad Garner, Jim Dalley, Tad Bybee, Jim Jeffries, Russell M. Sprague, David Fryar, Kasey Johnson, Jay Davis, Steve Harkins, Will Frueling, Shaun Gough, Jay Heward, David Sanders, Stephen Bartlett, John Dilibert, Aaron Shepherd, Becky Doramus, Tim Higgins, Brian Bullington, Andy Creech, Charles Huff, Eric S. Snarr, David S. Hansen, Richard Stephens, David Kramer, Tim Besst, Richard Skiles, Patti Bolen, and Matt Bannon.

Tim Higgins from IDOC reported that their population is at 8550 and the projection is that it will be 9094 by 2021. Last year IDOC created 108 new beds and this year they are trying to create 90 more beds. They also have plans to build a new CRC (re-entry) unit in Twin Falls and they have submitted a proposal for a 1000 bed unit for males and females that will be a diagnosis and evaluation center for mental health. They have inmates housed in Texas and are getting another facility in Texas that will be for Idaho inmates only and eventually will house up to 500 inmates. Tim stated they are looking at all options for housing inmates.

Tim also stated that when the new law takes place on inmate per diem to the counties, it will take about two weeks to reconcile the accounts. When questioned, Tim stated that when inmates are transferred from one jail to another the \$55.00 a day per diem will start again the first week at the new jail.

When the problem of housing females was presented to Tim, he responded that there are not many options for housing them as it is very expensive. He stated that most of their housing plans for females have not been successful and he has been talking to various jails to convert male dorms to female dorms. He assured everyone that they are still looking at other options in weekly meetings but the cost of the options has been high.

Doug Hughes stated that there was nothing to report from the Idaho Jail Administrators' Association.

Cindy Malm reported that there are still twelve jail inspections to be done. The biggest issue she is seeing this year is jails being over the rated capacity in any cell or housing unit.

Chairman Wilde reported that the ISA Board voted to push IPREA out another year to try to spread out the audits to make the years more even. IPREA audits will not have a cost to the county but PREA audits will. The Board suggested the following costs for PREA audits beginning in 2020:

Jails with 1 – 100 inmates	\$2500
Jails with 101 – 300 inmates	\$3500
Jails with 301+ inmates	\$4500

Kieran Donahue made the motion to accept the proposed fees for the PREA audits beginning in 2020 and Tom Carter seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

For this year through 2019 the costs will remain at \$2500 for small jails and \$3500 for small jails.

Kieran Donahue and Daren Ward presented their proposal for adding beds to their facility. They found temporary mobile housing units that are made in Missouri. The units are 100% stainless steel inside and once they are connected they will have rhino lining floors. They sent the Idaho Jail Standards to the company so that they could be designed with the proper square footage. The units will provide 122 beds to the Canyon County Jail and will take three staff members to operate them. Female inmates will be moved to the units. The proposed location for the new units will be the front parking lot. They will be leased so that in the future they can be torn down and returned to the company when Canyon County approves a new jail facility.

Shaun Gough made the motion to accept the plans for the temporary housing units if Cindy Malm looks at the plans and determines they meet jail standards. Lorin Nielsen seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Kieran Donahue advised that a local option tax would have to be made by the legislature and a one cent sales tax revenue could help pay for jails without them having to go to bond. The money could also be used to build court houses. He encouraged the sheriffs to contact their legislators to support the local option tax.

Chairman Wilde presented an IPREA Certificate to Jerome County and a PREA Certificate to Madison County for successfully completing their audits.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Wilde. Minutes Written by Cindy Malm

Training Committee, Chair Sheriff Lorin Nielson

POST –The last detention officer academy for this year is starting this summer. Those attending need to enroll deputies now. POST is implementing the physical readiness test. The dispatch academy registration deadline is June 8th. The academy starts in July. There are changes in

administration with POST. Applying for the position closed yesterday. In addition, Bobby Gant resigned. Monday is her last day. Kevin Johnson is the interim Academy Director. Sheriff Wilde asked about changing physical test for jail deputies stating agencies are losing candidates on a physical test that is not applicable to jail deputies. There was a brief discussion on the physical fitness test the correction officers however it still does not reflect the job task jail deputies need to be prepared for.

Sheriff Nielson asked for volunteers to present at the next conference on an incident that may have occurred in their county. Sharing events that made the news and/or lessons learned are beneficial to other Sheriffs preparing for their own possible events. Sheriff Nielson advised he will be reaching out to agencies if no one volunteers.

Sheriff Hollingshead was not present to give an update on Reserve Training.

Operations Committee, Sheriff Dave Sanders

Board approved OHV fund distribution. Funding, \$35,845.50, will be received in June and distributed to the counties as follows in July.

Boundary	\$ 3,780.00
Kootenai	\$ 7,300.00
Madison	\$ 7,000.00
Bonneville	\$ 3,400.00
Cassia	\$ 3,830.19
Idaho	\$10,535.32

Everything is going well with Operation Life Saver. Sheriff Dave Hansen is the new Chair of the Search & Rescue funds. Sheriff Patty Bolen advised two more requests for reimbursement for Snow Mobile funds were approved for award this morning. Membership was advised of the Autonomous Vehicles meeting May 30, 2019.

Sheriff Goetz advised there is a new grant funding formulary from Idaho Parks and Rec. The revised formula awards based on the number of people educated rather than the current method that measures water contacts. There is a meeting in Orofino for the group to adopt the new formula. Sheriffs were not asked for input. Sheriff Goetz believes education should be focused on those actually boating. Sheriff Wolfinger and Jefferies express opposition. Motion made by Sheriff Chad Huff for Sheriff Ben Wolfinger to attend meeting to represent Sheriffs. Motion seconded by Sheriff Dave Hansen, motion passes.

Armed Forces Life Insurance representative spoke to the body about death benefit coverage offered to military now offered to first responders. Kootenai County utilizes the benefits. Sheriff Wolfinger has had a good experience and is willing to talk to others about the program.

There will be another presentation in Cassia County in June. Local officers are welcome to attend.

Idaho Criminal Justice Intelligence Center, Sgt. Kessinger ISP gave a presentation on the Fusion Center. The information sharing platform tied into national databases can assist with investigations, emergency response planning, and tip lines to name a few.

Legislative Committee, *Chair Sheriff Chris Goetz*

Sheriff Donahue presented on a local option tax to generate funding to pay for new jails. There was discussion on limiting the tax funds to jails rather than other county infrastructures. However, Sheriff Nielson motioned to submit a resolution to IAC in support of the local option tax. Sheriff Wolfinger seconded the motion, motion passed.

General board discussed issues with defendant's not paying for pre-trial release. The law allows re-incarcerating for non-payment. *Can this be taken out of their bond?*

Motion made by Wolfinger to give IDT driver's license back to the state with individual Sheriffs' Offices option to keep the service was seconded by Sheriff Thomas. Motion passed. The process if successful is expected to take two years.

The Justice Levy will continue in the next legislative session. The new trespassing law needs to be fixed. Many legislators supported it with the thought of fixing it in 2019.

Sheriff Donahue announced an A&E Films cinematic documentary on the faith base healers, religious freedom, in Owyhee County. This continues to be an ongoing concern being brought before legislators. Children continue to die due to lack of medical care as a result of their parents religious beliefs. Idaho is one of the few states left in the nation allowing for this.

Other Business

NCIS Naval Criminal Investigative Service law enforcement exchange, Ray Moody, spoke to the body about the free information sharing service that utilizes a LINX Governance Board made up of all users. It is designed to be compliant with laws, locates information in your system, sharing it with others. The only requirement is agencies have to agree to share information within the system. He's located in the Seattle area and his contact information is 360-396-5099.

ISA welcomed the National Sheriffs' Association President Sheriff Harold Eavenson of Rockwell County Texas. Sheriff Eavenson spoke to the membership.

REMIN, Jeff Basterchia, provided an update on the services available to assist Sheriffs' Offices.

Joe Mallet provided an overview of a case involving St. Als v. Sheriff Raney (Ada County). The Supreme Court ruled in hospital's favor requiring jail to pay for released inmate taken to the hospital for self-inflicted suicidal wounds requiring long term hospital care. ISA will consider legislation to prevent Sheriffs' Offices from being held responsible in similar cases in the future.

Thursday, May 17th (meeting resumed at 8am)

Biometric iris scanning-Bi2 Technologies, Sean Mullin, John Leonard, and Sheriff Peter Flynn provided a presentation on how their system provides positive ID on individuals based on the eye iris. In addition, the program pairs with Offender Watch which is already used by Idaho's Sheriffs' Offices. Group fee of \$8,000/year was offered. It includes service, set up and ongoing cost. Further action to be taken regarding endorsement offer of 5% to go to the association for Bi2 Technology products sold in Idaho.

Forest Service Forester Leanne Marten, Special Agents, John Byas and Scott Harris, spoke to the membership providing an update regarding changes, activities and services in the National Forests throughout Idaho, and encouraging involvement from Sheriffs. U.S. Forest Service Strategic Plan will be provided to the association for dissemination to sheriffs.

Snake River Search and Rescue- Stan Fenn provided a brief outline of service and availability for search and rescue anywhere in Idaho. His contact information is stan6801@yahoo.com and 208-589-3737.

Sheriff Donahue concluded the meeting. Sheriff Sanders motioned to adjourn the meeting, Sheriff Goff seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken by Tammara Tarvin