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**ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY  
AD HOC BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING**

Thursday, July 12, 2018, at 11:00 a.m.  
300 W. Adams, Suite 200, Large Conference Room  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Roll Call

Chair Paula Wolff called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. and Acting General Counsel Malgorzata Bereziewicz called the roll.

<b>Committee Member Attendance</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Telephone</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Hon. Elizabeth Robb (Chair)		X	
Deputy Director Antwan Turpeau	X		
Director Jennifer Vollen-Katz	X		
Director Paula Wolff	X		
<b>Other Authority Members Present</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Telephone</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Era Laudermilk for Amy Campanelli	X		
Nicole Kramer for Hon. Kimberly Foxx	X		
Chief Barbara West for Supt. Eddie Johnson	X		
Dr. David Olson	X		
Rebecca Janowitz for Pres. Toni Preckwinkle	X		
Director Kathy Saltmarsh		X	
Jim O'Grady for Leo Schmitz	X		

Also in attendance were:

Dr. Megan Alderden, ICJIA Research Director  
Malgorzata Bereziewicz, ICJIA Acting General Counsel  
Wanda Block, ICJIA Grant Monitor  
Caitlin DeLong, ICJIA Executive Assistant  
Rise Evans, ICJIA Grant Monitor  
Bryant Jackson-Green, ICJIA Strategic Policy Analyst

Randy Kurtz, ICJIA Chief Financial Officer  
John Maki, ICJIA Executive Director  
Robin Murphy, ICJIA Deputy Counsel  
Gregory Stevens, ICJIA Acting Associate Director of the Federal and State Grants Unit

### Executive Director's Report

After a warm welcome from Chair Robb and brief introductions, Director Maki gave an overview of what he hopes to accomplish through the Authority Board Committee. He recounted how increasing the transparency and accountability of the grantmaking process readied the agency to strategically plan and effectively distribute more funds than ever before. He expressed confidence that examination of the Board's responsibilities and procedures would further cement these positive changes. He suggested the committee submit recommendations to the full Board on amending ICJIA's statute and administrative rules as needed and designing a system to regularly update Authority members on grantee progress.

### Discussion: Strengths and Weaknesses of Meetings and Committees

Director Maki asked members to share suggestions or concerns that could be addressed by the committee. Ms. Vollen-Katz praised ICJIA staff for the increase in Board productivity and functioning, and noted the 2013-14 audit made Budget Committee members more sensitive to their fiduciary responsibilities. Ms. Wolff suggested a flowchart that illustrates the checks and balances involved in the grantmaking process might help members feel more comfortable with staff's work on program development.

Ms. Janowitz shared that the Justice Advisory Commission keeps their Board informed and engaged by building a presentation on their organization's history and mission, including old statutes, and holding public meetings that explain that year's available grants.

Ms. Kramer suggested more panel presentations where Authority members may ask questions about program replicability, receive updates on program outcomes, and get more information on how funding opportunities are developed internally.

Observing the ratio of designees to members, Dr. Olson recalled past iterations of the Authority Board, when agency initiatives were not available online for viewing and appointed members were compelled to attend meetings themselves to get information. He suggested hosting presentations on pressing topics with national experts and advertising the presentations to the broader community interested in justice outcomes.

Ms. Wolff asked attendees what presentation topic would interest them. Responses included the need for community health providers; an annual "State of the State" address with prison, crime, arrest, and court data; an assessment of how ICJIA funds affect the

community; the needs of first responders; and status of the trauma recovery centers. Ms. Saltmarsh added that she would be more interested in diverse Illinois presenters than national experts. Ms. Lauder milk observed that agency heads make meetings a priority when ICJIA asks to hear their point of view. Ms. Janowitz added that her organization receives invitations to many events with nationally recognized speakers, but presentations that catch the attention of leadership are ones that specify why programs work in one jurisdiction in Illinois but perhaps not others. Ms. Wolff suggested that the staff share with the Committee at its next meeting what changes to the Authority statute and rules they think would be important.

### Adjourn

Ms. Wolff offered the floor for public comment. Seeing none, she moved to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Vollen-Katz and seconded by Dr. Olson. The meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.