MINUTES OF THE
ARKANSAS CRIME INFORMATION CENTER
SUPERVISORY BOARD
SEPTEMBER 5, 2014

The meeting was held in the ACIC training room at 322 South Main Street in Little Rock. Members present:

Mr. David Guntharp, Chairman
Sgt. Lloyd White, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Jack Lassiter
Hon. Dustin McDaniel by Mr. David Raupp
Judge Whit Fowlkes
Mr. Larry Robinson
Mr. Harold Pointer
Mr. J. D. Gingerich by Mr. John Stewart
Mr. Marc McCune
Col. Stan Witt

Also attending were: Jay Winters, ACIC Director; Michael Tackett, Administrator of the Information Services Division; Mary Rogers, Administrative Services Manager; Amanda Gibson; Rick Stallings, ACIC; Ralph Ward, ACIC; Paula Stitz, ACIC; Karen Burgess, ACIC; Rhonda Harris, ACIC; Cortney Williams, ACIC; Jacob Suter, ACIC; Angie Tatom, ACIC and Judy Lepper, ACIC.

Chairman David Guntharp called the meeting to order at 10:00. Chairman Guntharp asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the minutes from the June 6, 2014 ACIC Supervisory Board meeting. He asked if there was a motion to approve.

**MOTION:** That the minutes of the June 6, 2014 meeting be approved.

**MOTION BY:** Marc McCune
**SECONDED BY:** David Raupp
**VOTING:** Unanimous

**Operations Committee Report**

**New Terminal Site Applications**
Karen Burgess reported and said that the Operations Committee met prior to the Board meeting to discuss an application from the Amity Police Department. Chief Gary Johns had worked for the Clark County Sheriff’s Office prior to becoming the Chief at the Amity Police Department. Ms. Burgess said that the Field Agent assigned to the area did not see any concerns with this application. The Committee reviewed and recommended approval of this application.
MOTION: That the application for the Amity Police Department be approved.

MOTION BY: Jack Lassiter
SECONDED BY: Larry Robinson
VOTING: Unanimous

Division Status Reports

Operations Division

On-Line System
Karen Burgess reported and said that within the last three months they have configured 10 workstations and 157 MDT’s or DACs for the mobile data terminals and those are listed. We requested approval of 4 ORI’s from NCIC and have had one person’s workstation removed for lack of use. They decided they were not using it and instead of paying for it, decided to have it removed.

Ms. Burgess said they had six agencies request that their DIS routers be removed. That basically saves them money. They connect through their internet instead of through the DIS router and circuit. Those six agencies are listed as well.

Ms. Burgess performed an audit of the special interest vehicles and persons and that’s why there have been so many vehicles and persons entered and deleted.

There were a total of 852 hot files, 14 audits and 5 re-audits were performed. They have processed 411 offline searches and 922 calls among other things.

There was a total of 424 missing persons in the system as of July 31 and 78 unidentified persons.

For the training report from June 1 to September 1, 2014 there were 547 students that were Level I trained, 106 Level II trained, 72 people Censor trained, 35 new Order to Seals, 44 criminal history trained and 135 criminal justice, Vine and LeadsOnLine trained.

Nextest is our online training and we had 819 Level I tests taken, 85 Level II tests taken and 190 Level IIR tests taken.

Vine/JusticeXchange
Rick Stallings reported and said that there was an opening in the field staff due to Richard Faucett retirement with 35 years of service. He is searching for a new Field Agent at this time and hopes to have that position filled by the next Board meeting. Our new Field Agent for non-criminal justice audits is Tiffanie Ward and she’s been working very hard preparing for next year’s audits. She’s got our guides ready and is currently working on our audit report and hopes to have that finished shortly. We have the guide ready for Brad Cazort and Lt. Cora Gentry to review at this time.
We recently held a Criminal History Interpretation and Reporting webinar where the instructors were sitting behind a desk looking at the computer and invited people to join. We had 47 participants and 96 percent of those people said they enjoyed the presentation and enjoyed learning that way because they didn’t have to leave their agency. Six percent didn’t respond to the question that was given to them. We are going to try to hold more webinars in the future. I have a feeling we’ll do an audit webinar before the end of the year to get agencies prepared for our audits next year.

For Vine, JusticeXchange, AlertXpress and LeadsonLabs, the last few times Mr. Stallings reported he was working with Appriss to verify the undeliverable numbers and make sure they’re valid. Also to make sure that these people want to be registered. We’re finding that most of the people who have an undeliverable have forgotten their pin number. We’re working with those people to get their pins and acclimated to typing that pin number in and how the process works. There are some that didn’t register but the majority of them have forgotten their pin numbers.

In looking at the totals, Mr. Stallings said they currently have 95,492 people registered on inmates and 35,677 registered on parolees. Highlighted in yellow were the VineMobile searches compared to last year. There were 362,000 searches last year and this year there are over 1,000,000 searches. Mr. Stallings said he questioned that number because it quadrupled. We’re only ¾ of the way through this year. In questioning that he found out that if someone downloads the VineMobile App they choose an agency. So if he downloads it and chooses Arkansas County, he can see the most recent bookings within a certain time or he can search Vine as a whole. But when he searches most recent bookings he’s pulling maybe 30-40 people at a time depending on the time frame and the date of those bookings. So every time he reaches out to that agency and pulls those people, that is considered a search. That’s why the number is so high.

Mr. Stallings gave the VineLink searches within a year’s time frame and there were over 800,000 searches.

Moving on to JusticeXchange, we have 3,913 users with over 701,000 searches in the system. For Epic submissions this year there have only been 34 which is really low. LeadsonLabs had 92,776 transactions with 2,597 blocked, and 2,994 that were not completed.

For Scrap Metal there were over 1,430,000 items scrapped with 6,764 person of interest hits where law enforcement have actually hit on something or they are watching people.

Arkansas Incident Based Reporting System (AIBRS)
Ralph Ward reported on the current NIBRS status. There were 286 agencies cleared to report for 2013 and 2014 NIBRS transition. Mr. Ward said that he and Kyle Brown have been testing and retesting files. They are working with both the vendors and their agencies to approve their final format. The new file format that we have compared to what we had in the past predating this year. We’ve upgraded our NIBRS submissions to include more location, property, cargo theft and human trafficking. We’re in the process of working with the agencies and the vendors on the files and testing them to see if there are any errors or if there’s some format issues with the way those files are laid out. We’ll send those back and keep retesting until we get those bugs worked out with their vendor and approve that agency to submit.
We’re also finishing the collection of the 2013 data from agencies that experienced technical issues and could not submit a complete year last year. With that task we’re also submitting the approved agencies for 2014 and are submitting their data to the FBI. These are the approximately 15 vendors that we’re dealing with their programmers, CEO’s and their technical support in working these issues out.

Jackie Warren is working on the NIBRS coding project. She is researching the ACIC charge code dictionary to confirm, add or correct the attached NIBRS codes. What we do is provide a list of annotated criminal codes along with the ACIC charge code and the respective NIBRS codes to each agency so they can load those into their RMS or Records Management System. When they enter a report or an incident they can pick what they’re charging that person with, which makes our NIBRS easier for them to complete those changes.

What we have here is what we’re going through. You’ll have the ACIC charge code that’s assigned here at ACIC. It’s also in AFIS and it’s also used in the Criminal History Division. We have the text or the description of the charge, the annotated code and the respective NIBRS codes. It makes our NIBRS a higher quality of reporting.

Jackie Warren, Kyle Brown and Mr. Ward are meeting a couple of times a week to go through these. In the meantime, they’re working with Tac10, which is our NIBRS and index repository vendor, on two projects. We’re looking to upgrade our software platform to a web-based product that will enable submitting agencies to securely log in and upload their monthly files, check errors and status, and run reports. Also, the second project is a mapping application which is currently in the preliminary phase.

For Law Enforcement National Data Exchange (NDex) we have processed and submitted over 275,000 records including updates for the Little Rock and North Little Rock Police Departments. We’ve also received and processed several requests for statistics. Some of the more notable ones are the FBI west Little Rock office, Attorney General’s Office, Attorney General’s Task Force on the Prevention of Human Trafficking, Conway Police Department, Press Argus Courier and a few private citizens.

Chairman David Guntharp asked Ralph Ward if he understood him to say that they would not be able to do their statistical report for 2013.

Mr. Ward responded no, that they already have their preliminary statistics out. Right now we are waiting on agencies to finish submitting some of their data. We have a few agencies out there that have purchased a new Records Management System and some are having issues with their format. There’s a higher error rate or there are some issues with the way the files are laid out. So if they don’t meet state specifications our system can’t accept it and it won’t process because it’s not laid our properly. We’re working with their vendor and those agencies to get those bugs worked out. We have until the end of the year to get those submitted to the FBI. We usually have a close-out date around December 6. Once we get all of their information we’ll have all of the 2013 data out there.
Chairman Guntharp asked if there was a projection for the publication date.

Mr. Ward responded that we can put one out now but it won’t be for the whole state’s total. We’re dependent on getting the agencies data in and it’s not something you can rush. We have some that have a few issues, some that have a few error rates that we’re working with them on. The majority of them we already have.

Chairman Guntharp asked if some agencies use that statistical information for their annual reports.

Mr. Ward answered yes. If they call us we can give them the latest updated information. We have preliminary statistics out there right now for 2014 so you can go look at the preliminary state totals. We have an explanation on our website that explains what you are looking at. If someone does call us we can give them the most up to date statistics in offense, arrest, property, age of arrestees, drugs, and anything you want to know. We can pull that information and give that to them. We can even give them a detailed report down to the weapon used in that crime, the time, date and the specific location.

Repository Division

Sex Offender Registry
Paula Stitz reported and said that since we’ve had Censor things have been going great with our agencies. They have been registering sex offenders, changing addresses, verifying them, etc. Since working with the U. S. Marshal’s Office and the Center for Missing and Exploited Children our statistics have been very good. We continue to have address unknowns going up, the incarcerated, out of state, deceased and deported. Delinquents are going down and compliance is going up. It’s been a steady increase where we want an increase and decrease where we want a decrease for sex offenders. We’ve been very happy with the way things have been going and they are getting better all the time.

Chairman David Guntharp said he understands the time is expiring for individuals who have a number of years in can now petition the court for removal. He asked if they have to have an attorney to petition the court or are they able to do that on their own.

Paula Stitz responded that most courts, circuit courts, do better with an attorney to petition the court. Any court can let them do pro se petitions.

Chairman Guntharp asked if there was a form or something that they fill out.

Paula Stitz said not from us. The court will have the forms there and each court has something a little bit different. Since it’s a whole new process, there are some courts that don’t have made-up forms for that. Most of the ones that Ms. Stitz has received are court orders to remove and there have been attorneys involved.

Chairman Guntharp asked if this applied to Level 3 and Level 4 sex offenders or if they were excluded from petitioning.
Paula Stitz said that Level 4’s are excluded. This applies to anyone that’s been convicted of a sex offense such as an aggravated sex offense or anyone that’s been convicted of two or more sex offenses under two different case numbers. They are excluded and cannot be removed from the registry.

Colonel Stan Witt said Ms. Stitz reported that the delinquents were going down and compliance was going up which is great news. He asked what the reason was for that.

Paula Stitz answered that the reason is some of those delinquent were actually address unknowns. They had been delinquent for quite some time. Once we started working with the U. S. Marshal’s Office and the Center for Missing and Exploited Children, we all teamed together and started looking for these delinquents, especially the address unknowns. We sent out a request to all law enforcement agencies to look at their delinquents. They have to do that on a local level. If they’re not in your community, they can let us know and we’ll put them on our address unknown list, which are absconders. We send this to the U. S. Marshal’s Office and they start looking for them. They have found them deceased, registered in other states, in federal and state prisons and they’ve found them hiding in old hotel rooms and not registered anywhere.

When they find them and can arrest and charge them, they charge them federally. A lot of those delinquents became address unknowns and then they found them and they either became out of state, deceased, or the other categories. If they charge them federally, they go to federal prison. If they cross state lines for the purpose of not registering, they can be charged federally. That’s the reason that the delinquents have gone down. And the compliance level has been going up because more and more sex offenders are being told that if they do not comply they can be charged federally. If you cross state lines and don’t notify us what you’re doing and don’t tell the other state what you’re doing you can be charged federally. That’s the reason that they’re looking better. Ms. Stitz couldn’t say enough good things about Josh Caplin, who is the U. S. Marshal that’s been assigned to us and he has been doing a very good job and is very dedicated. The Missing Children’s Center calls us almost daily with information or asking us questions and getting more information. Ms. Stitz gave them a lot of credit for helping us with that.

Chairman Guntharp said he assumed local law enforcement is becoming much more aware of it.

Paula Stitz said absolutely. She had the point of contact for Benton County Sheriff’s Office in her office for several hours and they have a lot of sex offenders up there. She went over different things that he had questions about since he’s new. They’re very dedicated now and she’s seen a big difference in law enforcement and interest in finding these sex offenders. The communication has been so much better within the last year or so. Censor has been a big help with that because we’re able to get real-time information back and forth.

**Criminal History Division**

Cortney Williams reported for Lesa Winston, who was out sick. He said the handout showed the breakdown of the criminal history count for June, July and August. We show entered 24,396, verified 24,805, imaged 103,722, Department of Correction 17,614, AFIS received 26,073 and AFIS worked 25,840 for those three months.
**Administrative Division**

Mary Rogers reported and said that the handout detailed what had actually been spent. Our biggest budget expense is going to be our operating fund which is the MJA0100 fund. We still haven’t spent a tremendous amount but some things that we have spent are for some of the more costly items such as NIBRS statistics. In July we also paid to get those vendors going on what we need for the annual maintenance agreement that we have. We’ve got contracts with Appriss, LeadsOnLine and LeadsonLabs that we haven’t spent yet, but they’re coming up this year. We’re still looking good on most everything in there.

The Electronic Log Book includes the Pharmacy and Metal Theft Logbook items that will be paid out this year. The other things on the report are our conference, which is coming up and we haven’t spent any money yet. We will start spending that after January. Federal grants, we actually have completed the 2013 SORNA reallocation grant, but we also have been notified that we’re getting more funds. Ms. Rogers said when she gets all that information together she will request additions to our SORNA grant so that we can spend those funds.

Chairman David Guntharp asked if we had the appropriation or will we have to go back and request it.

Mary Rogers responded that she’ll have to go back because it’s her understanding that we may be asking for personnel in this next request. She thought that might be a little particular for them but it’s federally funded. She thought we should be able to get that appropriation passed. The operating part is not going to be hard to do. The Department of Finance and Administration is actually handling that grant, so they have to provide some additional information so she can set up the appropriation on it.

Chairman Guntharp asked if she would have to amend the budget or just ask for it.

Mary Rogers said that she will have to ask for the additional appropriation on the SORNA fund itself. We got a continuation on the 2013 NCHIP grant and she was notified that we got approval for that request. So hopefully that was good. If it is, then we’re going to be extending that grant until September 30 of 2015. That one will be continuing so we can spend the programming part of that grant. They’re working on some things to make us more compliant with the AFIS fingerprint and things like that. There’s a few things going on with those. The SAVIN grant, which is for programming managers, Rick Stallings is gradually expending those funds. APPRISS is still working on updating some of those locations in the state. So that one should be completed before too long.

Our revenues to date for background checks are at $282,953 as of the date that this was run, which was toward the end of August. We’ve taken in quite a bit of funds on that. Our ACIC system usage is where we bill law enforcement for their transactions and their access to the system. The revenue on that is about normal at $159,289.

Chairman David Guntharp asked Mary Rogers if that was the fee that we split with Arkansas State Police.
Mary Rogers answered that the background check fee is what we get from Arkansas State Police for our part, which is $10.00 per check. The ACIC system usage is where we invoice the agency or whoever might have use of our system and they pay for getting on the system. It’s a charge of $18.00 per month for the access to Messenger service, transactions and things like that. That’s money that we receive from them but we spend that money out to DIS, CPI for the Messenger service and other things that are related to their usage.

Chairman David Guntharp noted that the law allows people to come in and request a background check, but that ACIC is getting away from that. He asked Jay Winters if he anticipated any problems with that.

Jay Winters responded and said that what people were doing was bypassing the real background check and taking that to their employer or the apartment or wherever they’re trying to get in. Even though it says this cannot be used for employment of background purposes they were using it for that. So what we’ve been doing is if they come in we show them all of the information but we don’t give them anything. We’ll mail it to them if they request that, and so far we haven’t had any problems. They don’t necessarily like it, but are ok with it. Basically, what it’s doing is forcing people to go through the Arkansas State Police website and do the proper background check that’s supposed to be done for apartments or employment.

Chairman Guntharp stated that that’s the issue, that ACIC is not in violation of the law. It’s the fact you can’t use it, we just don’t give it to them.

Mr. Winters stated that we just don’t give it to them in paper form. We will mail it to them because the ones that were coming in were going away from our office to wherever they were going and handing that over to whoever they were needing it for. This stops them from doing that and it takes a couple of days to get it that way.

**Information Services Division**

Michael Tackett reported for the ISD Division and said they have been busy on both sides of the house. We had a few new projects to add along with twelve different enhancements that have been completed along with different mainframe projects. Mr. Tackett said they had some pipeline issues which were causing some downtime for our outside users getting to our Message switch. We have eliminated 99.9 percent of the problems and have worked with multiple agencies to get that completed and solved.

Michael Tackett said they have created some different Messenger transactions for medical personnel and for their searches on the Sex Offender Registry. Concerning the Sex Offender Registry, one of the key things that we had coming through was we realized that there were some different statutes or parts of the law that we were not fulfilling on our website. Such as searches for aka’s and addresses. We got with INA and there were quite a few enhancements that both we and INA had to make. Mr. Tackett said INA had to completely rebuild a lot of things. We did that in about a two-week time frame from when we were first notified of it and pushed forth. That was outstanding from all of the individuals that were involved.
Mr. Tackett reported that they were actually able to update some outdated server-based systems that we had and we eliminated those services altogether and created some new ones. That has saved us processing time and eliminated other errors that we’ve been having. Mr. Tackett said that as of last Friday, this site has been active and been able to perform the aka and alias searches and also take care of the addresses. We’ve also tried to do some enhancement to the Google search map when looking for offenders in an area. It was zoomed out really big so all you could see was one single dot. That gave the impression that you only had one or two people in your area. We are working with Google to make it more enhanced and focused in so you can see multiple places. Trying to do a mile search radius that you can put in there that only allows them to search within a certain distance of a specific area so they can see multiple people that might be in their area instead of being zoomed out and only seeing one. That was one of the big things that we were able to get done and pushed forward.

Michael Tackett stated that several Legislators were asking questions about it and he was under the impression that everyone was pleased with the speed at which we were able to get it done and the accuracy of it. That was a big thing for the applications side of the house. They have also processed multiple search requests for license plates and dispositions and got those completed.

Mr. Tackett said that we have our NFF contractor, Shweta Deshmukh, in house to start working with Arkansas State Police and get those projects moving forward. She is also going to assist us with some other projects that we have in house. She has been a great asset to our team.

One of the other big projects that we have going on is the mainframe conversion. We’re still having meetings every two weeks with DIS and making sure that we’re on path and everything is going the right way. DIS has also allowed us to sit in on some of their training classes. The way that we’ve decided the process should go is they have a few things that need to be converted first. They wanted to be the guinea pigs. As they’re going through their process they’re allowing us to sit in on the background to watch how their process goes so that when it’s our turn to actually do our conversion, we already have a little bit of experience.

Chairman David Guntharp asked if ACIC was staying on the mainframe.

Michael Tackett answered that ACIC was getting off of the mainframe. The mainframe conversion project is putting us to a server environment-based system. DIS had a handful of programs that were still on their mainframe. Since they had a small number they were going to go ahead and convert those first so that they could see the process and we could understand it and work out any kinks that we might have when we go forward. So that they can better help us and we understand the process.

We’ve had multiple meetings with DIS on some of the web-based things, responsibilities of each person, what company or agency is going to take care of this portion of it, who’s going to take care of this and so on. We’re moving forward with that.

Mr. Tackett said that some of the things that we have for the future is other configurations. Once we get the mainframe process completed and off the mainframe, then we’ll actually start looking at converting from the old cobalt programs to a true .net environment. Right now it’s converted
over to where we can see it in both, but it’s not actually converted. We’re just getting off the mainframe to save that money and then we will move forward on working with that. Mr. Tackett asked if there were any questions about the applications side.

Chairman David Guntharp asked if DIS was doing the security.

Michael Tackett said yes, DIS is working with it. We had a meeting with them two weeks ago about the security of it and it was a good meeting. We understood that we weren’t seeing eye to eye. There were some things that they had made assumptions on and some assumptions that we had made. With that meeting we were able to go back to the drawing board and redevelop it and redesign the security function of it for our logging and to ensure that we can meet our CJIS policies and requirements. We’re on the right path with that. Again, with the meetings that we’re having every two weeks we’re going through very specific things and varied checkpoints. When we come across them we’re able to fix them.

For the infrastructure side, we had 667 ISD requests that came through in the last month that we’ve been able to resolve. Those vary anywhere from computer problems, Censor problems, signature pads, on-call issues, printers, cables, etc. We’ve been able to close out all 667 requests.

Mr. Tackett said we’ve done some enhancements to our virtual environment that will allow us to continue to move forward with our network redesign and upgrade. That’s moved us forward. We’ve also rolled out 45 new computers to the internal staff at ACIC. They’re all on the same platform and everybody has the same model computer. All run on the same software, OAS updates. We’re straight across the platform which has helped our guys become more efficient. We’ve also been able to upgrade our firewall management and upgrade the Fox Messaging system to help us move forward with the network upgrade.

Currently we’re contacting all of our local agencies which includes all police departments, sheriff’s offices, constables, and anyone that has a terminal or access to our message switch. We’re calling them to get an updated network diagram. If they don’t have one, the purpose of the call is so we can walk them through giving us the information so that we can get one drawn up for them and have it on file. Part of the CJIS requirements is that we have a network diagram for every system that connects to ACIC. So we’re getting that taken care of and in place.

We’re also reviewing some MDM or mobile device/data management software for all of the iPads and cellphones that are out in the field and the ones that are in-house so that we can make sure they’re secure. That the criminal history information on the CJIS information they have on there is taken care of.

One of the conferences that Mr. Tackett, Rick Stallings and Bill Clinton attended a few weeks ago was an ISO conference for the FBI and CJIS. That was one of the things that they were really starting to push out, making sure that we’re updated on across the field. Everybody is ensuring the growth, technology and multiple platforms that we’re updating. One of the things that we’re hopefully going to have knocked out by the end of the year is a product selected. Right now we’re in the phase of looking at different ones, bringing vendors in to show us their
Once we’ve decided on a few we’ll test them out for about a month and then make a selection.

Chairman Guntharp asked Mr. Tackett if any state had their criminal history breached.

Michael Tackett responded not that they’re going to admit. He said he tells most people it’s not a matter of if you’re going to be hacked, it’s when. Nothing is 100 percent secure and most people have no clue if they have been breached. One of the things for us is with the growth in networks and security, that’s why we’re doing a whole new redesign of our network. Jacob Suter, who is assisting at today’s meeting, is one of the people assisting with that and picking out every single thing that we have and are checking it along the way to make sure that it is secure so that we can put all of the pieces together. And we can say that as of this moment, we have not been breached. But at the conference everybody has talked about their insecurities and their vulnerable spots in their network. We work together for solutions but nobody admitted to their information being compromised.

Chairman David Guntharp said he assumed the most vulnerable area is some staff out there on a website that they shouldn’t be on and it gets back into the system.

Michael Tackett said the most vulnerable part of security is your employees. They click on a link they don’t know and someone calls and asks a question and they give it out. Fortunately for us, since we’re a smaller agency compared to others, our individuals know each other. It’s very hard for someone to call and say they’re from the IT department and they need someone’s password to do some updates. We’re able to stop that. We’ve put in place some of their training that we look to do in the future to help people understand the risks and what’s out there. Also, the MDM solutions software will really help lock our devices down and we can remotely wipe them. So if one gets lost we can turn it into a $500.00 paperweight. If someone leaves the company and has their own personal phone, we could wipe the ACIC information off of it.

In addition to the network build, we’re also looking to put pieces in place for a more specific internal help desk. We’ve made some changes to help with that. We have specific people on call during the day and during specific times of the week so that everyone knows a direct number to call and they don’t have to try to find someone. We have eliminated some confusion and made sure we’re more efficient in those areas. That’s the next big thing after the network build.

Chairman David Guntharp asked if ACIC would be in charge of the help desk.

Michael Tackett answered yes, that this was internal for ACIC employees. We also have Network Control that we hope to somehow integrate those together. We could help them with the technical questions that are coming in. We could have someone assigned to help them answer those but have one big help desk where there is one specific number to call, one specific ticket system that we could pull metrics from and understand better what we have and what we’re doing so we can do it more efficiently.

Last but not least, Mr. Tackett wanted to recognize Dusty Melbourne. He went through and passed another certification for his overall Microsoft certification. He did it on the first time and
Mr. Tackett said Mr. Melbourne had one more before he’s Microsoft certified. He will be a Microsoft certified Systems Engineer Analyst, something like that. It’s an industry certification for IT. It helps us to ensure that we’ve got the right people in the right place.

Other Business

Jay Winters said there were a couple of things to discuss. Michael Tackett mentioned the aliases. Some of you may have seen the article on one of the news stations where a man used an alias and he was involved with the church or something. He was a sex offender and Senator David Sanders got involved in it. The question was how come we didn’t know and why wasn’t it on the website what his alias was. We’ve been collecting aliases all along, but they have not been on the website. Brad Cazort reviewed that and found out that we were not only allowed to, but should have been putting it on the registry. Mr. Winters appreciated Michael Tackett and INA for getting on that really fast and getting that changed. It’s available on the website now. Whatever name they are registered under is what comes up. Below that it will have any other names that they have used. The news media thought that if everybody had known his alias he wouldn’t have been able to accomplish some of the things he accomplished. Again, just because we’ve got this alias doesn’t mean he’s not going to have a different alias tomorrow. We are now compliant with that and they’ve done a great job.

Also tying in with that, when Senator Sanders was here talking with us he had some concerns about the availability of getting information, especially criminal justice information and data sharing. AOC took the lead. From the ACIC standpoint, we’ve been working with Community Correction and the Department of Correction to exchange some information. Their system is EOMIS and we’ve been able to have some interface there and have been working on that. John Stewart had us over the other day to talk about what our systems can and can’t do. We met this week and Mr. Winters thought it was an excellent meeting. We shared a lot of information and they’ve got more meetings going on with all parties involved. But he thinks when we get done as with anything else, the price tag will be where we decide what’s important and what’s not. Michael Tackett, Rhonda Harris and Lesa Winston were also there and Mr. Winters said they saw some things that they thought would be helpful if we could share some of that information. He wanted the Board to know that that’s a good jump-start to get that going and get the justice system integrated with all of that information and he thinks we’re headed in the right direction.

Since our last meeting, we had talked about Terry Smith and the fact that she was very sick with cancer. Shortly after our last meeting, she lost her battle with cancer and passed away. She fought until the end. They interviewed for her position last week and Cortney Williams was chosen for that position, so congratulations to him for that management position.

Brad Cazort is out of state and wanted Mr. Winters to check with Chairman David Guntharp to see if he could put the update on the Adam Walsh Act back until December. We agreed to do that. Bill Clinton is attending an NLETS meeting.

Jay Winters mentioned to Chairman David Guntharp that the Governor’s Office sent us a request, and asked for a transition report. Basically what they wanted was something from our agency saying what we do, how many employees we have, what’s our budget. Basically, what
the thought was that they’ll have that information to turn over to the new Governor for the transition. If you hear anything about a transition report, that’s what that’s about.

Mr. Winter’s said everybody should have a new ACIC Supervisory Board list and Judy Lepper wanted the Board members to look it over before leaving. If you have any changes that need to be made, just make those changes and get those back to Judy we’ll make sure we’ve got it up to date. We will get it to you electronically.

The last thing Jay Winters had was to thank the staff here at ACIC for the job they do. They give these reports and a lot of proactive stuff. That’s what he appreciates about it. They’re always coming forward with suggestions and it shows up when we have our conferences and when people talk to us they appreciate what we do. Rick Stallings mentioned the webinar. Bill Clinton sent me a thing right afterward and he said that’s the real deal. That’s a pretty neat way to get a lot of information out to a lot of people and very cost-effective because there’s not fuel spent and no running across the country. It worked very well and we do plan on doing some more in the future. Again, Jay Winters said that he appreciated their initiative in coming forward. He said that was all that he had unless there were any questions.

Chairman David Guntharp had a question regarding the Fusion Center. The Fusion Center is a dissemination of all of this information where you’re trying to tie Office of the Courts, ADC, DCC and ACIC. He asked where the Fusion Center fits into that. It was his understanding that they were the central point for sharing information with law enforcement.

Jay Winters answered that they were. What information ACIC gets is criminal history records and what Ralph Ward and his staff work on is the statistical analysis. The Fusion Center tries to get reports as they come in on the front end. As you do a report they’re trying to tie in the databases so that report goes straight to the Fusion Center so they can view them as well. There is supposedly some software that they can put in some key words, i.e. guns, terrorism, whatever key words, and it will pull all of those reports that have those specific things in there.

Chairman David Guntharp asked if it would pick up all of those aliases. ADC may have one alias and law enforcement may have another alias.

Jay Winters said that it could potentially do that. That’s been a forever thing trying to attach those names. As we train here, they try to tell everybody to enter all the information they’ve got. If his real name is Joe but they call him another name, put that name in that field. Give us all that information so as we share that information, everybody has it. It’s sort of a learning trend for everybody. We have seen a great increase in the amount of information in those records, which makes the information we give out that much better.

Karen Burgess said that a lot of states have Fusion Centers and what she has found is other states will contact the Fusion Center and coordinate with them. The Fusion Center will contact us to do offline searches and that sort of thing. She thinks that the Fusion Center is a point of contact for other states.
Chairman David Guntharp referred to the aliases. If a guy gets picked up in Little Rock he may use John Smith. And if he goes to Bentonville he may use John Doe. But somewhere you’ve got to tie those names together or you may lose them.

Karen Burgess said that the Fusion Center still uses us for their offline searches for their information. She thinks the Fusion Center is still just a point of contact for other states.

Ralph Ward stated that they’ll call us if they need a report for the fair or any type of big event. They’ll want the statistics for that area or if they’re looking for types of crimes we’ll tap the Criminal History database and get them statistics off of certain annotated codes or things like that. They’ll direct other Fusion Centers to us and we’ll talk to other agencies that we can help.

Chairman David Guntharp said the fingerprints were still a tie-in thing where people are using different names. The fingerprints are going to tie those together because if they’re arrested they’re going to fingerprint them. And if they do that and send it to Arkansas State Police, that’s going to tie in those aliases that they’re using as they travel.

Chairman David Guntharp asked if there was anything else that needed to be discussed.

MOTION: That there was no further business and the ACIC Supervisory Board meeting was officially adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

MOTION BY: Sgt. Lloyd White
SECONDED BY: Jack Lassiter
VOTING: Unanimous

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ACIC Director

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Date