



Association of Paroling Authorities International

First Friday - August 1, 2008

Welcome to APAI's monthly online E-forum newsletter, *First Friday*. Our goal is threefold: to provide you with timely information about APAI, to initiate a 'conversation' with and among members, and to highlight accomplishments and new practices in the field of parole/release. As a bonus, this format will help save our Earth's precious resources.

Calendar of Events and Upcoming Deadlines

Mon, Aug 4	Chairs' Meeting, Chicago IL	Last Day to Reserve a Room at Swisshotel, Chicago, at guaranteed government rates. 888-73-SWISS
Fri, Aug 22	Chairs' Meeting, Chicago IL	Submit topics for Open, Self-directed Discussion by Fri, Aug 22: BLEopold@APAINTL.org . Use "Chairs' Meeting Discussion" in the Subject Line.
Thurs, Sept 4, 3:00pm – 5:00pm	Council of Paroling/Releasing Authorities, Chicago IL	Open to Parole/Releasing Authority Chairs; Membership in APAI is required. An agenda will be posted on the website http://www.apaintl.org/en/tr_chair_meet.html
Fri, Sept 5 Sun, Sept 7	Chairs' Meeting, Chicago IL	Open to all Chairs or Heads of Parole/Releasing Authorities. Membership in APAI is not required http://www.apaintl.org/en/tr_chair_meet.html -
Mon, Sept 15	Deadline for Speaker and Topic Recommendations, 25th Annual Training Conference	Please include only speakers for whom you have first-hand knowledge of their presentation abilities. Submit topics or speakers for discussion http://www.apaintl.org/en/ab_suggestion_form.html
Sat, Apr 19- Wed, Apr 22, 2009	25th Annual Training Conference, Newport RI	http://www.apaintl.org/en/tr_atc09.html

Chairs' Meeting Funding: Getting By with a Little Help from our Friends

We are pleased that our Chairs' Meeting, a training that helps Boards and Releasing Authorities improve on the work they do throughout the year, has received support from the following:
National Institute of Corrections (NIC)

Behavioral Interventions, Inc. (BI)
Community Services, Inc (CSI)
(list represents commitments as of July 30, 2008)

New Report on Cost-Effectiveness and Partnerships for Public Safety

The Pew Public Safety Performance Project has just published a report, "Getting in Sync: State-Local Partnerships for Public Safety." This 8-page report features some of the innovative fiscal partnerships that state and local governments are forging to deliver better, more cost-effective public safety through community corrections.

The report, "[Getting in Sync: State-Local Fiscal Partnerships for Public Safety](#)," was released last Friday at the annual convention of the National Conference of State Legislatures.

NIC's Comprehensive Framework on Parole

NIC's Comprehensive Framework on Parole will assuredly have an impact on the work we do every day. Update your knowledge of future directions in parole in this initiative. <http://nicic.org/Library/022906>

Annual Training Conference 2009

APAI's Annual Training Conference will be held in Newport, RI, Sunday, April 19 through Wednesday, April 22. Committee and Regional meetings will convene on Saturday, April 21. Don't miss this once-a-year opportunity to meet, learn and network with colleagues. Submissions for general session and workshop speakers are being accepted through Monday, September 15. See instructions for submissions in the calendar section of this newsletter.

Deadline Extension: A Call to Participate on APAI Committees

APAI's success and future depends on new perspectives and leadership. All members are invited to step up to add expertise to the following five committees. To join the members who have stepped up, simply let us know of your interest c/o FYI@APAIIntl.org. Although we accept new members on committees at any time, we will be giving charges to each committee in September. Please volunteer for a committee so you can be part of the direction setting from the start. Indicate your interest by Friday, August 22 c/o FYI@APAINTL.org

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

This Committee shall review and recommend to the Executive Committee proposed curricula of various trainings, education programs, the annual Chair's Meeting and the Annual Training Conference to ensure that regional, national and international interests are represented. The Committee shall review feedback and evaluations of all educational programs and reports to the Executive Committee on whether the goals of the programs were met.

Richard Dugger, Chair (OK)
Renée Collette (ON)
Elizabeth Robinson (IA)
Monica David (FL)
Dwight Holden (DE)
Unlimited Open Positions

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

This Committee is responsible for the drafting of Resolutions as approved by the Executive Committee and for maintaining a resolution retention schedule.

Jeff Peterson, Board Rep & Co-chair
Rissie Owens, Board Rep & Co-chair
3 Open Positions

PR/COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

This Committee shall review all official publications, shall seek and report to the Executive Committee opportunities for positive media exposure and shall review website expansion opportunities.

Karen Muelhaupt, Chair (IA)
Ella Frank (NM)
Scheree Lipscomb (GA)
Melissa McDonald (TN)
Maureen Walsh (MA)
Unlimited Open Positions

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

This Committee shall prepare and present proposed essential elements for best practices in parole for consideration to the Executive Committee.

George Alexander, Chair (NY)
Sandra Dietz (NM)

Gale Buckner (GA)
Edward R. Mevec (NY)
Unlimited Open Positions

SURVEY COMMITTEE

This Committee shall make recommendations to the Executive Committee regarding current topics to be surveyed, the creation of various topic specific reports, the determination of timelines for future surveys, and the timely and appropriate methodology for communication and publication of survey findings and results.

Chair TBD

Catherine McVey (PA)
John Prevost (GA)
Unlimited Open Positions

Lasting Words

We want this newsletter to enhance communications among our membership. Do you have a topic, discussion item or newsworthy story for the next issue? Submit your ideas for the next issue by Monday, August 25:

http://www.apaintl.org/en/ab_suggestion_form.html

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