North Carolina Criminal Justice Information Network
Governing Board Meeting
Thursday, October 10, 2013 9:00 AM
901 Corporate Center Drive
Oak/Maple/DA Conference Rooms
Raleigh, North Carolina

CJIN Governing Board Members Present:
Glen Allen Bob Brinson Crystal Cody
Henry Hight, Jr. Norlan Graves Robert Graves
Tom Jarrell, Jr. Daniel Kiger Dewey Jones
Robert Lee Steve Lingerfelt Michael McArthur
Basil McVey Kelly J. Thomas Robert West
Albert Williams Dexter Williams

CJIN Staff:
Gene Vardaman LaVonda Fowler Lars Nance
Leslie Chaney

Guests:
T. Jerry Williams Mark Beason Neveed Moeed
Stacy Roland Janet Greene Janet Brown
Andrew Swenson Steve Watkins Linda Fox
Danny Bell E. J. Hanks Brian Whitehurst
Cheryl Curtis John Beardsley David Jones
Mitch Cunningham Kimberly Thomas Robert Spatorico
Randall Bartay Rep. Jason Saine Dennis Reynolds
Mark Harris Stephanie Satkowiak Frank Palombo
Debbie Allen Ronnie Blake Keenon James
Ryan Hepler Mark Hatchel John Guard
Elizabeth Watson Gene Harrell Bertina Spragley
Linda Powell Richard Allen Megan Reinhart
Dana Morgan Janet Brown Wyatt Pettengill

Board Activities and Announcements

CJIN Chairman Bob Brinson called the North Carolina Criminal Justice Information Network (CJIN) Governing Board meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Chairman Brinson welcomed the Board members and guests to the meeting and informed them that sign-in sheets were being circulated. Chairman Brinson thanked Basil McVey and Willa Moyer for sharing the facilities of the NC Judicial Center for the meeting. Chairman Brinson also thanked Basil for his outstanding service to the Board and wished him well as this was his last meeting before his retirement, effective November 1, 2013.

Chairman Brinson welcomed new members of the Board, Daniel Kiger, Police Supervisor at Wake Forest University PD, Kelly J. Thomas, DMV Commissioner, Dexter
Williams, Wake County Chief Magistrate Judge and Robert Graves, Director of Safety and Emergency Preparedness for Randolph Community College. Chairman Brinson asked each to say a few words and expressed to each of them a warm welcome and looked forward to working with them.

Chairman Brinson announced that the next CJIN Board meeting will be on December 10 and how it deviates from our normal Thursday meetings as it will be held on a Tuesday.

**Folder Materials**

Chairman Brinson made the Board members aware that their folders contained an agenda, Travel Request Form, draft copy of the March 28, 2013 minutes, a copy of the AOC audit, Fayetteville PD PowerPoint, and a copy of the Pawn Ordinance for Fayetteville.

**Ethics Awareness**

Chairman Brinson informed the Board that per NC State Ethics Commission guidelines, all Board members are required to attend an ethics training course at least every two years. The course offerings and locations are also available on the Ethics Commission website.

Chairman Brinson also reminded Board members that they must complete a Statement of Economic Interest form for the NC State Ethics Commission. The NC State Ethics Commission website has all instructions for completion of the form, if you have any question please see Gene.

Chairman Brinson gave an ethics reminder that is required to be presented at the beginning of any Board meeting. Chairman Brinson read into record the following, “In accordance with G.S. 138A-15, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearance of conflict. Does any Board member have any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the Board today? If so, please identify the conflict or appearance of conflict and refrain from any undue participation in the particular matter involved”.

**Travel**

Chairman Brinson stated that for travel reimbursement, please find a copy of the form in your folder, any questions please see LaVonda or Gene.

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the March 28, 2013 CJIN Meeting were approved.

**Project Updates, Discussion and Action Items**

Chairman Brinson stated that generally the Board has a section of the Agenda devoted to project updates, discussion of old business, any outstanding action items, etc. At this time because of the two challenging issues of Incident-Based Law Enforcement
Information Sharing and Pre-Trial Release, Project Updates will be postponed until the next meeting on December 10, 2013.

Chairman Brinson also welcomed Representative Jason Saine to the meeting today. Representative Saine said a few words of welcome to the Board and thanked them for inviting him today.

**AOC Audit**

Chairman Brinson recognized Al Williams, who commented on the AOC Audit and informed the Board about the need for automation and upgrades to the AOC computer system which was installed in 1979 and is still in use today.

Al participated in a discussion with Chairman Brinson, Crystal Cody, Lars Nance, Steve Lingerfelt and Tom Jarrell.

A motion was made by Steve Lingerfelt to create a working group to look into possible solutions to the technology issues that were addressed in the Audit for the December meeting. This was seconded by Crystal Cody and was unanimously approved by the Board.

**Regional/National Information Sharing Initiative – NCIS LInX**

Chairman Brinson reminded the Board how supportive they have been regarding the expansion of criminal justice information sharing in all areas: Corrections (Prison & Parole), Courts, Warrants, Sex Offender, etc. and have recommended the continued build out of several enterprise-wide systems. One area that the Board has focused on over the last several years has been the sharing of local law enforcement incident data with the Navy’s LInX program.

There has been an increase in local data being shared within North Carolina with the connections of two regional systems in North Carolina, the interconnecting of NC & SC, the connection to other major parts of the US and the ability to access records from the Department of Defense.

Chairman Brinson introduced Chief Frank Palombo, a veteran of information sharing and a panel comprised of leaders from our local law enforcement community – Crystal Cody, Mitch Cunningham, Kim Thomas, Robert Spatorico, and Mark Harris; they will provide the Board with a background and an update on the sharing of incident based information within the US including access to federal agencies.

Frank presented the Board with an overview of the impact LInX has had throughout the United States and in NC. He went through the evolution and growth of the program and how it has impacted Law Enforcement here in NC.

Frank participated in a discussion with Chairman Brinson, Representative Jason Saine, Crystal Cody, Mark Harris, Mitch Cunningham, Wyatt Pettengill, Ryan Hepler, Gene Harrell and Glen Allen.

Steve Lingerfelt made a motion that the Board draft a letter to the Attorney General, and the State CJIS Security Officer, to connect LInX to the National N-DEx/ FBI CJIS System.
along with a report that if the SBI is unable to connect to the Federal systems, why it cannot be done. The Motion was seconded by Crystal Cody and the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Mark Harris gave the Board an update on what other states have done and how the CSO has handled their connection respectively. Mitch Cunningham discussed his experience with LlnX when he was working in the National Capital Region.

Kim Thomas of the Fayetteville Police Department gave a short presentation about how LeadsOnline has created a way to import pawn data into their existing OSSi Records Management System. The LlnX System uploads the pawn data along with the incident based data during the daily extracts. Once uploaded, the pawn data in Fayetteville is available to all other LlnX users across NC and the nation.

Kim participated in a discussion with Robert Graves, Mitch Cunningham, Chairman Brinson, Randall Bartay, Robert Spatorico and T. Jerry Williams.

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Pre-Trial Release and Domestic Violence

Chairman Brinson introduced Detective John Guard, Major Crimes Unit with the Pitt County Sheriff’s Department who shared with the Board how to leverage Pre-Trial release conditions will reduce crime and re-victimization.

John shared with the Board a power point which reviewed the history of pre-trial release in NC and how it came about. It also showed ways of leveraging pre-trial conditions such as creating a map of the places that an offender could and could not go if they were released prior to trial. This will ensure that there are no questions about the boundaries set forth by the court. One of the challenges that exist with pre-trial release is that most of the paperwork is only accessible in the Clerk’s Office during normal business hours. NCAWARE has a centralized place to store the pre-trial release motions, but only two judicial districts are using this feature. Pitt County’s Pretrial Enforcement Program predicts that the implementation of a pre-trial release enforcement program will reduce re-victimization and increase offender accountability in North Carolina.

John introduced the Panel of guests who also expressed the need to utilize pre-trial release to its fullest capabilities, the panel consisted of: Linda Fox and Dexter Williams. Both Linda and Dexter provided insight into their experiences with pre-trial release along with their concerns with actionable information and recent statute changes.

John participated in a discussion with Chairman Brinson, Tom Jarrell, Al Williams, Crystal Cody, Chip Hight, Basil McVey, Dexter Williams, Gene Harrell, Ryan Hepler and Linda Fox.

Chairman Brinson directed CJIN Staff to gather information on best practices regarding General Statute changes and Impediments to Pre-Trial release.

New Business/ Adjournment
Chairman Brinson adjourned the meeting at 1:15 PM