CJIN Governing Board Meeting
April 24, 1998
New Hanover County Courthouse
Wilmington, North Carolina

Board Members Present

Chairman Richard Moore          John Carriker          Richard Nifong
Vice-Chairman Ron Hawley        Fred Hines              John Taylor
Bob Brinson                     Renee Kumor            Ken Wiseman
Ted Carr                        Frank McGuirt

Others Present

Susan Bates                  Fred Davis             Scott Peters
Sean Callinicos         Dyke Hostettler   Rachel Spangler
Tom Danek                   Richard Little        Joe Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Chairman Richard Moore. District Attorney John Carriker, host of the meeting, welcomed the board and guests to Wilmington. The first order of business was review of the minutes from the February 2, 1998 meeting in Charlotte, North Carolina.

MOTION: (Frank McGuirt) To accept the minutes of the February 2, 1998 meeting as presented. Second: John Carriker. MOTION CARRIES.

Federal Appropriation

Sean Callinicos of Senator Faircloth’s staff informed the board that the $10,000,000.00 federal appropriation in the FY 98 budget should be coming through soon. He also reported that he had spoken with the Appropriations Committee regarding the $20,000,000.00 that the Senator has requested in the FY 99 budget. There is strong commitment to obtain the funds for CJIN and there should be some word regarding this in June or July, 1998.

At this time, Chairman Moore introduced new CJIN Board Member Ted Carr. Mr. Carr is the Mayor of Morven, North Carolina and is a retired Assistant Police Chief from the Washington, D.C. Police Department

Presentation of CJIN Report to the General Assembly

Chairman Moore noted that the April 1998 CJIN Report was positively received by the General Assembly. They are pleased with the progress on CJIN initiatives and the conservative use of operating funds. The General Assembly would be receptive to changes in the make-up of the board and have requested a proposal outlining potential changes. Chairman Moore yield to Vice-Chair Hawley for a presentation of the report. Board members were given copies of the report and Mr. Hawley provided a summary, including reporting requirements, updates on
current projects, long term strategic planning and implementation costs, budgetary issues, and staffing needs.

Vice-Chairman Hawley yielded to Chairman Moore to address CJIN staffing. Chairman Moore noted the need for a permanent staff member dedicated solely to CJIN in order to better coordinate the growing activities of CJIN. In order to take the first step toward establishing a full time staff, Chairman Moore, in his capacity as Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety, has funded a position in the State Highway Patrol budget. The Patrol is supportive of this position being dedicated to CJIN. Toni Tendam has been hired in the capacity of Administrative Assistant. She will report administratively to Richard Moore and be under the day-to-day supervision of Ron Hawley.

**Juvenile Justice Information Planning Project**

Dr. Thomas Danek updated the board on progress of this initiative, which will be called J-Net. A Power Point presentation was given that contained an overview of the problems with the current system, the project’s mission statement, make-up of the Juvenile Justice Information Planning Project, integration of the various components encompassed within the project and proposed time lines.

**Data Sharing Standards**

Project Director Susan Bates provided a written report that included the statement of work, scope of the project, the establishment of an executive team to oversee this effort, the approach that will be used to define a data elements dictionary, cooperation with the IRM on their data sharing project and identifying major groups of tasks. She announced that the CJIN web page is up and running and that eventually it would be used as a mechanism for updating information related to this project.

Discussion followed, including the need for interdepartmental coordination, the best way to include all levels of government and provide an opportunity for feedback, plans to share knowledge with other states and the federal government, and CJIN and IRM time lines.

**Statewide Magistrate System**

John Taylor, Administrative Office of the Courts, gave a progress report on the statewide magistrate system. He reported that AOC has been in the process of defining the requirements of the system and looking at in-state systems. Several vendor products have been researched and they are at the point of making the recommendation to Purchasing and Contract. Mr. Taylor stated that he hopes that a decision will have been made by the next CJIN Board Meeting.

Discussion included the option of this being an open system, an explanation of the purpose for a statewide magistrate system, local access and connectivity issues.
**Statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System**

Vice-Chairman Hawley distributed a hand-out that covered the key points of implementation and the phased approach now being used. Numerous grant applications to the Governor’s Crime Commission for Live Scan devices were consolidated to be administered by CJIN. This allows the devices to be purchased on a state contract approach, saving nearly $750,000.00 by purchasing in quantity rather than buying one device at a time. The State Bureau of Investigation will maintain the equipment with the local agencies picking up the recurring costs. Statewide implementation is scheduled for December of 1999.

Discussion followed as to whether or not the board should adopt a policy requiring Sheriffs to begin fingerprinting misdemeanors within twelve months of receiving a Live Scan machine. It was decided that such a policy would require further research before being implemented.

**Mobile Data Network**

Captain Fred Davis, State Highway Patrol reported that Phase I of the network was completed last year. Phase II is near completion. A grant application for $500,000.00 has been submitted to the Governor’s Crime Commission. If that funding is received it will provide for an additional 38 base stations, serving 23 counties. That would provide a mobile data presence to three quarters of the state. If Senator Faircloth is able to secure the $20,000,000.00 appropriation, the mobile data network will progress even faster.

**New Business**

Vice-Chairman Hawley informed the board that CJIN had honored with a national award. The Federation of Government Information Processing Counsels selected CJIN as the Gold Award Winner, State Division, of the 1998 Intergovernmental Open Systems Solutions Awards program. The award will be made at the annual Awards Banquet on June 10, 1998 in Irvine, California.

**Makeup of CJIN Board**

Discussion returned to membership of the board. An option considered was to reduce one of the two general public appointees from each house of the General Assembly. With that reduction, adding the spots proposed by the courts would net an increase of only one additional board member. At this time, John Taylor handed out a chart with recommendation of the courts. A motion was put forth

**MOTION:** (John Taylor) Recommend that the board requests an increase in the membership of the CJIN Governing Board by adding the following appointments: 1 Clerk of the Superior Court, appointed by the Chief Justice of the NC Supreme Court; 2 judges from the trial court, General Court of Justice, appointed by the Chief Justice of the NC Supreme Court; 1 District Attorney, appointed by the Chief Justice of the NC Supreme Court; 1 Appellate Division Judge; 1 Magistrate. Motion seconded by John Carricker.
Floor Open for Discussion

Issues discussed were bridging the gaps in board membership, balancing representation among the branches of government, the advisability of reducing the number of appointments and the fact that the initial report included the recommended additions with the exception of an appellate judge and a magistrate. It was decided to delay consideration of reducing any of appointments at this time.

MOTION CARRIES

The next board meeting is tentatively scheduled in late July, to be hosted by Renee Kumor in Hendersonville.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.