

JUDICIAL INFORMATION SYSTEM COMMITTEE

June 28th, 2019
10:00 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.
AOC Office, SeaTac WA

Minutes

Members Present:

Chief Justice Mary Fairhurst, Chair - Phone
Judge Scott Ahlf
Judge John Hart - Phone
Mr. Rich Johnson
Judge J. Robert Leach
Mr. Frank Maiocco
Ms. Barb Miner - Phone
Chief Brad Moericke
Ms. Brooke Powell
Ms. Paulette Revoir
Ms. Dawn Marie Rubio
Judge David Svaren
Mr. Bob Taylor
Mr. Jon Tunheim
Ms. Margaret Yetter

Members Absent:

Mr. Larry Barker
Judge Jeanette Dalton

AOC Staff Present:

Mr. Kevin Ammons
Ms. Vicky Cullinane
Ms. Vonnie Diseth
Mr. Curtis Dunn
Mr. Brian Elvin
Mr. Mike Keeling
Ms. Keturah Knutson
Mr. Dexter Mejia
Ms. Dory Nicpon – Phone
Ms. Cat Robinson
Mr. Kumar Yajamanam

Guests Present:

Mr. Enrique Kuttemplon
Judge Donna Tucker
Ms. Jennifer Ortega
Mr. Doug Fair
Ms. Lauren Bjurstrom
Mr. Adam Ahlf
Judge Kimberly Walden
Judge Rebecca Robertson
Judge Mary Logan
Mr. Clint Casebolt
Judge Jeffery Jahns
Mr. Terry Price – Phone
Judge Brian Sanderson
Mr. Michael Maga
Judge Susan Mahoney

Call to Order

Judge J. Robert Leach, JISC Vice-Chair and filling in for Chief Justice Mary Fairhurst, called the Judicial Information System Committee (JISC) meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and introductions were made. Chief Justice Fairhurst will be joining the meeting at a later time.

April 26, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Judge Leach asked if there were any changes to be made to the April 26, 2019 meeting minutes. Hearing none, Judge Leach deemed the minutes approved.

JIS Budget Update

No budget report was given; however, the green sheet is viewable in the online materials and members' packet.

Access to Justice (ATJ) Technology Principles

Mr. Terry Price presented an update on the Access to Justice (ATJ) Board request for the JISC to endorse its Technology Principles. Mr. Price reminded the Committee of their request from the previous JISC meeting for the ATJ Board to add a preamble to their proposed amendments to the Technology Principles. Mr. Price stated he had drafted the preamble, which was subsequently passed by the ATJ Board and then forwarded to the AOC for review. After a few minor edits from AOC Leadership, it was then ratified by the ATJ Board and brought before the JISC for approval of both the amendments and preamble. Judge Leach asked if there were any questions from the Committee. Hearing none, he asked if there was a motion on the subject.

Motion: Chief Brad Moericke

I move to endorse the updated Access to Justice Technology Principles for submission to the Washington Supreme Court.

Second: Mr. Bob Taylor

Voting in Favor: Chief Justice Mary Fairhurst, Judge Scott K. Ahlf, Mr. Larry Barker, Judge John H. Hart, Mr. Rich Johnson, Judge J. Robert Leach, Mr. Frank Maiocco, Chief Brad Moericke, Ms. Brooke Powell, Ms. Paulette Revoir, Ms. Dawn Marie Rubio, Judge David Svaren, Mr. Bob Taylor, Mr. Jon Tunheim, Ms. Margaret Yetter

Opposed: None

Absent: Judge Jeanette Dalton, Ms. Barb Miner

The motion passed unanimously with two members absent.

Information Networking Hub (INH) Historical Review and Forecast

Mr. Kumar Yajamanam presented a historical timeline of the development of the Information Networking Hub (INH) which began in 2010 and is the foundation for current and future data exchanges to the new Enterprise Data Repository (EDR). The entire INH development work is not finished and will be on-going for several more years with additional enhancements and on-boarding of more local court data exchanges. The presentation is available in the meeting materials.

JISC Rule 13 Proposed Amendment

Judge Leach drew the Committee's attention to the next agenda item, the JISC Rule 13 amendments proposed by the CLJ-CMS Steering Committee. Judge Leach directed the Committee to the meeting materials, which contain three proposed draft versions of amendments to Rule 13, and asked Ms. Paulette Revoir to give the update. Ms. Revoir explained the first and second drafts were from the CLJ-CMS Steering Committee, the first draft including footnotes, and the last two drafts were submitted by other groups. Ms. Revoir detailed the edits made to the CLJ-CMS Steering Committee's proposal after

receiving feedback from members and stakeholders at the previous JISC meeting. Ms. Revoir started by drawing the Committee's attention to the footnotes on the Steering Committee's updated draft. The footnotes denote what is already required under the JISC-adopted Data Standards and IT Governance Framework. Also addressed was the issue many had regarding JISC funding; it was revised to clarify that it only applied to supplies and services provided that are not statutorily or constitutionally required. Regarding the other JIS Rule 13 draft proposals, Ms. Revoir deferred to those who were involved in the drafting of those proposals. Acting Chair Judge Leach followed up stating he was not sure if there was a majority in favor of any of the three proposals. He proposed identifying representatives from each group to form a workgroup to meet and find a proposal that satisfies everyone for the next meeting. It was asked what the reasoning was behind the two other proposals due to the significant differences. Ms. Brooke Powell spoke regarding the proposal from Juvenile Court Administrators Association, with Judge Tucker speaking to the third proposal. The third proposal was submitted collaboratively by King County Clerk's Office, King County Superior Court, Kitsap County District Court, King County District Court, Snohomish County District Court, and Yakima District Court, in addition to Seattle and Spokane Municipal Courts. Judge Tucker specified their version was the draft proposal with track changes in red lettering. All versions can be found online in the 6/28 JISC Meeting Materials.

Discussion followed regarding the different versions and the specific edits done by the groups submitting draft proposals and the merits of the various proposals. Discussion also revolved around the impact of multiple courts choosing their own CMS and the impact it would have on AOC and the limited resources at their disposal to support numerous independent courts with their own CMS. At the end of discussion, Judge Leach stated AOC and the JISC are not trying to impugn the motives of any court that wants to go off the statewide solution, but the goal is to try to figure out how to get everybody working together so there is a common repository of data that all courts need for public safety purposes to make the courts function. In addition, technology does not always work smoothly the first time through and limited resources presents a problem as well. Judge Scott Ahlf commented he did not think there seemed to be agreement regarding the three proposals before the Committee and said he would like to move to table the motion, create a working group, and discuss it at a later date.

Motion: Judge Scott K. Ahlf

I move to table the consideration of Rule 13 amendments and to form a workgroup comprised of individuals appointed by the Chief Justice to work together to see if they can prepare a single proposed amendment to the rule to bring back to the Committee, or alternatively to bring back parallel proposals to be considered by the Committee at a later meeting.

Second: Judge David Svaren

At this time Mr. Rich Johnson stated his concern that if more than one amendment comes out of the Committee, then nothing would be any different than the multiple proposals being submitted today. Mr. Johnson offered an amendment removing the language of parallel proposals in its entirety, removing "or alternatively to bring back parallel proposals". This was accepted as a friendly amendment by Judge Ahlf in addition to the second by Judge Svaren.

Amended Motion:

I move to table the consideration of Rule 13 amendments and to form a workgroup comprised of individuals appointed by the Chief Justice to work together to see if they can prepare a single proposed amendment to the rule to bring back to the Committee ~~or alternatively to bring back parallel proposals~~ to be considered by the Committee at a later meeting.

Voting in Favor: Chief Justice Mary Fairhurst, Judge Scott K. Ahlf, Judge John Hart, Mr. Rich Johnson, Judge J. Robert Leach, Mr. Frank Maiocco, Ms. Barb Miner, Chief Brad Moericke, Ms. Brooke Powell, Ms. Paulette Revoir, Ms. Dawn Marie Rubio, Judge David Svaren, Mr. Bob Taylor, Mr. Jon Tunheim, Ms. Margaret Yetter

Opposed: None

Absent: Mr. Larry Barker, Judge Jeanette Dalton

Abstained: Dawn Marie Rubio

The motion was passed as amended. Following the vote, Chief Justice Fairhurst asked those interested in serving on the workgroup to express their interest by sending an email to her personally. As Chair of the JISC, she would then choose the members to sit on the JISCR 13 workgroup.

JISC Rule 13 Request

Presiding Judge Douglas J. Fair and Ms. Lauren Bjurstrom, from Snohomish County District Court presented their JISC Rule 13 request to leave the statewide JIS and implement their own case management system. Currently, they are still faxing documents back and forth to the jail; jail dockets are being prepared based on the court docket--not on the actual file--because they still have paper files all the way through the system. It was explained they spend an inordinate amount of time filing, pulling files, putting documents in files and pulling files out. Currently, the county government is not interested in funding any new positions, so Judge Fair stated they have reach the limits of their ability to reach their case load requirements. In order to become more efficient, they are looking at a CMS; at this time they are looking at JTI Technologies as their CMS vendor. To date they have visited King County to view their civil division and JTI Technologies has presented to them its integrated system complete with probation, criminal, civil etc. Snohomish County plans to adopt King County District Court configuration, not a completely new configuration. They have a provision in King County District Court's contract stating that they will get basically everything King County District Court does, and they will be able to adopt what King County District Court has done and not create any additional pressure on AOC by configuring their CMS differently. To date, Snohomish County has only started their scope of work with JTI and has not signed a contract and do not anticipate doing so before the end of the year. A project manager position has been approved in their budget, funded through the trial court improvement accounts due to the county's disinterest in approving a lot of funding at this time. Additional requests have been made for staff to assist in the conversion process, including the necessary double data entry. Discussion ensued on where the resources would be coming from in light of the county not providing

additional resources, and concerns regarding staffing during data mapping and integration with the EDR.

Motion: Judge Scott K. Ahlf

I move that the JISC provisionally approve the Snohomish County District Court request to implement its own case management system, subject to Snohomish County District Court's agreement to comply with the JIS Data Standards for Alternative Electronic Court Record Systems and Implementation Plan.

Second: Judge David Svaren

Voting in Favor: Chief Justice Mary Fairhurst, Judge Scott K. Ahlf, Judge John Hart, Mr. Rich Johnson, Judge J. Robert Leach, Mr. Frank Maiocco, Ms. Barb Miner, Chief Brad Moericke, Ms. Brooke Powell, Ms. Paulette Revoir, Ms. Dawn Marie Rubio, Judge David Svaren, Mr. Bob Taylor, Mr. Jon Tunheim, Ms. Margaret Yetter

Opposed: None

Absent: Mr. Larry Barker, Judge Jeanette Dalton

The motion was passed unanimously.

Expedited Data Exchange & Enterprise Data Repository (EDE/EDR) Go-Live Update

Mr. Kevin Ammons presented the update on the Expedited Data Exchange (EDE) Project. Mr. Ammons informed the Committee of the progress of the final testing being carried out in preparation for the planned implementation of the King County Clerk's Office integration with the Enterprise Data Repository. He informed the Committee that the implementation was scheduled to occur during the July 12th – 15th time period. Mr. Ammons concluded by providing an overview of some of the major changes that will be seen in the JIS applications after the implementation.

King County District Court (KCDC) Project Status Update

Judge Donna Tucker gave an update on the King County District Court (KCDC) project. Phase one for civil and probation started in October 2017 continues to progress well. KCDC is currently in phase two, which includes eCourt and eProbation integration with the EDR; functionality will be deployed to all KCDC locations. KCDC has converted 2.4 million cases and person data from JIS into their eCourts system, in addition to the conversion of 11.5 million documents from their legacy electronic document system into eCourts. All judges and court staff have completed module training and KCDC is currently in end-to-end testing. Next steps will be finalizing the last case configuration types, completing their end-to-end testing, including performance and stress testing, as well as the final training for all court

staff, partners, attorneys etc. KCDC and JTI have set October 21st as the launch date and they will continue to work with AOC to make it happen.

Data Dissemination Committee Report (DDC)

Judge Leach reported that the DDC received two requests at their meeting held prior to the JISC meeting. The first request was from MDRC (previously Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation) stating their objection to language in AOC's standard data sharing contract. Current language requires those receiving data from AOC and wishing to publish a report based on that data provide the report sixty days prior to publication, in order to allow AOC to object if there are reasons to do so. The contract states, "any objection must be reasonable and rationally based." MDRC requested a language change to limit objections to confidentiality protections of the participants, claiming the current review process jeopardizes their perceived objectivity in the research community. Judge Leach reported this standard language has been used in AOC contracts for quite a long time with no complaints received where objectivity has been challenged due to the provision in the data sharing agreement. The DDC unanimously rejected the request to deviate from the contract.

The second request was from Melissa Santos, a reporter from Cross Cut. She is doing an investigation regarding the exercise of prosecutorial discretion for juveniles charged with crimes involving viewing, possessing, dealing in depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. She is requesting a bulk data distribution to receive the case numbers and dates of birth of the juveniles involved. Judge Leach explained that several years ago, the DDC adopted a policy to not include case numbers or dates of birth in bulk distributions of juvenile offender records. The policy was adopted due to a compromise reached involving competing requests to deny all bulk data dissemination of juveniles or include all records. Currently, the DDC sees no reason to deviate from the current policy, and thus rejected the request unanimously. Ms. Santos indicated she may be bringing the DDC's decision to the JIS Committee for review at a future date.

Board for Judicial Administration Report (BJA)

Judge Leach reminded the Committee that the BJA minutes are contained in the JISC packet behind Tab 13.

Adjournment

Judge Leach adjourned the meeting at 12:40pm.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be August 23rd, 2019, at the AOC SeaTac Facility from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Action Items

	Action Items	Owner	Status
1	Chief Justice Fairhurst asked those interested in serving on the JISC Rule 13 workgroup to express their interest by sending an e-mail to her personally. As Chair of the JISC, she will choose the members to sit on the JISCR 13 workgroup	JISC Members and Interested Parties	Completed
2	Choose the members to serve on a workgroup to collaborate and bring back one unified proposal to update JISCR 13 for approval by the JISC.	Chief Justice Fairhurst	In Progress