**Illinois Sentencing Policy Advisory Council (SPAC) Regular Meeting**

**AGENDA**

**Friday, September 17, 2021**

**10:00 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.**

**Join SPAC’s Zoom Meeting:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87908934588?pwd=MndUQ0xVRGttYi9xdTZkQmVTNWNHdz09>

**SPAC: Where We’ve Been, Where We Need to Go To Fulfill Our Purpose**

**Please note that this meeting will be video recorded.**

**10:00 – 10:05 Zoom Meeting Rules of the Road**

*John Specker, SPAC Research Analyst*

**10:05 – 10:15 Welcome, Agenda Overview and Approval of Minutes**

*John Cullerton, Chair*

**10:15 – 10:45 Vote on vacancies, Intro of new members**

*John Cullerton, Chair*

**10:45 – 10:55 History of SPAC** – Why we were created, the mandates we have, and impact we have had in the policy process  **–** *Chairman Cullerton*

**SPAC In the National Conversation, In the Legislative Process, In the Public Square**

**10:55 – 11:00** SPAC’s Work in Relation to Other Sentencing Commissions – *Kathy Saltmarsh*

**11:00 – 11:10** In the Legislature **–** *Kathy Saltmarsh*

**11:10 – 11:25** In the Public Square: SPAC’s Greatest Hits and their impact – *John Specker*

**11:25 – 11:35** Data & Research Reports **–** *Mark Powers*

**11:35 – 12:15 DISCUSSION: How Can the Past Shape SPAC’s Future**

*Kathy Saltmarsh*

**12:15– 12:30 Public Comment**

**12:30– 12:45 New Business –** Next meeting Friday, November 19th; update on RTF & Equity Committee

**12:45 Adjourn**

**Troubleshooting and Technical Difficulties: email** [**John.Specker@Illinois.gov**](mailto:John.Specker@Illinois.gov)

**Questions and Comments for those on phone: email** [**Ryan.C.Kennedy@Illinois.gov**](mailto:Mark.Powers@Illinois.gov)**.**

**Rules of the Zoom Road**: To help ensure that all who wish to speak have an opportunity to do so and that background noise is controlled, we will be using the following procedure:

* **Audio**: All participants will be muted by the host upon entry to the meeting.
  + Raise your hand in the Participant Window if you wish to speak. SPAC staff will monitor and create a queue of speakers. Each person will be unmuted in the order in which they appeared in the chat features. Presenters will be given priority to respond to questions or comments.
  + You may also type a question in the Chat Window. Questions will be read in the order in which they are received and incorporated into the speaking queue.
  + If you raise your hand and are skipped over, use the Chat Window to contact Ryan Kennedy or email [Ryan.C.Kennedy@Illinois.gov](mailto:Ryan.C.Kennedy@Illinois.gov).
* **Video:** Please activate your video when you are speaking. We would appreciate SPAC members and invited guests leaving video on during the meeting, but feel free to turn off video when you are not speaking.
* **Call-in Participants:**  SPAC’s Zoom meeting will have a call-in, audio-only participation for anyone to use.
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  + **Call-in number is: +1 312 626 6799**
  + **Call-in Meeting ID is: 864 9714 7870**
  + **Call-in password is: 809693**
* **Time management:**
  + **Members & Participants –** Please keep your comments to 5 minutes or less.

SPAC staff will mute speakers after a 1-minute warning in order to give everyone an opportunity to speak.

* **Chat Window:** Please feel free to use the Chat Window to add comments and questions.
  + The SPAC team will incorporate comments into the speaking queue to facilitate discussion.
  + Please note that comments via the Zoom chat, including private comments between participants, are public record as part of this open meeting.
* **Questions and speaking time:** As much as possible, the time limit for whomever is speaking will be paused if the speaker has a question for another SPAC member or an invited guest.
* **Names:** Please use your full name to assist with our record keeping for attendance.

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**Thank you for your patience and understanding as we try to facilitate a robust discussion remotely.**