MEETING MINUTES		
Committee	USAAV+ Council	
Date Time Location	Thursday, October 26, 2023 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. Copper Room & Zoom Hybrid meeting	
Members Present	In person: Vice Chair Dennis, Susanna Butt, Maria Shirey (designee for Becky Brown), Evan Done, Senator Carlene Walker, Richard Nance, Art Brown, Clarissa Stebbing, Jeremy Christense, Rob Wesenman, Cristina Zidow. (11) On-line: Greg Johnson (for Melissa Stirba), April Graham, Shanel Long, Carol Ruddell (for Allison Foust), Ron Gordon, Sigrid Nolte, Janae Duncan, Andrew Riggle, Deborah, Peter Clegg (10)	
Guests	In person: Dough Muramoto, Ashley Gold. (2) Online: Julie Ewing, Kristy Jones, Randy Huntington, Heather Lewis, Kevin Eastman, Katee Reed, Anna Fondario, Jeannie Edens, Mike Haddon, Rob Timmerman, Jesse Higgins, Kim Gibb, Senator Jen Plumb. (13)	
Staff	Elizabeth Klc Tiffany Nguyen	
Agenda Item	Welcome, Introductions, Minutes, and Roll Call (12.08 pm)	
Notes	Vice Chair Dennis Cecchini welcomed everyone. Minutes from the previous USAAV+ Council meeting were not yet approved (2 minutes to review next time)	
Agenda Item	Statutory Updates (12.13 pm)	
Notes	Director Liz and Jeremy Christensen provided updates on the the need for beds at the state hospital.  • USAAV+ Forensic Mental Health Coordinating Council Subcommittee: Need for beds at the state hospital report  • 2023 Utah State Hospital report  • Presentation slide  Vice Chair Dennis made a motion to approve the report. Sen.Walker seconded.	

Agenda Item	Parents Empowered Annual Report (12.20 pm)
Notes	Art Brown & Doug Murakami gave a presentation on <u>parents empowered annual report</u> . Sen.Walker made a motion to approve the report. Evan Done seconded.
Agenda Item	Prevention Initiatives Discussion and Update (12.40 pm)
Notes	Vice chair Dennis and Director Liz have joined the Utah Coalition for Protecting Childhood (UCPC). The Federal grant that UCPC was operating under has changed; however there are some relief funds and some other funding that UCPC are cobbling together.
	Vice chair Dennis and Director Liz have also met with Amy Winder Newton, former state representative. She's been doing a lot of work on social media and she's going to be focusing on families and getting the public aware of what the issues are (substance use and mental health

	disorders) and how they can respond to them.
Agenda Item	Behavioral Health Master Plan Update (01:00 pm)
Notes	Director Liz updated that there will be a final representation in November to several committees regarding the Master Plan. Senator Vickers might be the main lead to run the bill, together with Rep.Ellison, Rep.Ballard, and Rep.Jennifer-Dailey Provost. Leadership from both houses have confirmed that the bill is going to be their priority.  USAAV+ may become part of the larger Behavioral Health Commission. There may be 13 members. Originally 11, but then the recommendation is to add 1 legislator from each house.  => USAAV+ for the time being still functions as normal. Nothing is changed immediately.  Vice Chair Dennis asked about the members making up the Behavioral Health Commission.  => Currently still under discussion. The last conversation was that the Commission will have several layers and that there should be adequate rural representation from local mental health authorities and other community providers. Another goal is to ensure that "insurance people" are included, i.e. the people that are actually buying mental health and substance use treatment.  => Director Liz summarized that USAAV+ may become a subcommittee of the Behavioral Health Commission and this may change several of USAAV+ responsibilities (USAAV+ may become more
	legislatively focused.)
Agenda Item	OPLR Behavioral Health Professions Update (01:20 pm)
Notes	Director Liz updated that Jeff Shumway is almost finished with the report and it will be sent to everyone. It will be a major concentration in the 2024 legislative session. Six universities will be implementing the behavioral health technician program, either a one year or two year program.
Agenda Item	USAAV+ Council Bylaws (01:40 pm)
Notes	Director Liz and everyone discussed USAAV+ Council <u>draft bylaws</u> . Liz will work on the language and present the draft bylaws again in December to finalize.
Agenda Item	Other Items (02:00 PM)
Notes	No other items were discussed.
Agenda Item	Public Comment (02:00 PM)
Notes	No public comment.
Agenda Item	Adjourn (02.06 PM)
Notes	Susana made a motion to adjourn. Evan Done seconded.