

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes

Committee	Utah Board of Juvenile Justice
Date	Thursday March 19, 2015
Time	8:00am – 9:30 a.m.
Location	Utah State Capitol Complex, East Building, Copper Room
Members Present	Chris Crowder, Spencer Larsen, Brent Platt, Troy Rawlings, Shirlee Silversmith, Pam Vickrey, Debbie Whitlock
Members Excused	Pat Berckman, Matthew Davies, Gini Highfield, Anthony Johnson, Judge James Michie, Scott Jackson, Van Nguyen
Members Absent	Patrick Garcia, Nindy Le, Rachael Skidmore
Staff	Toni Gray, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen Visitors:
Agenda Item	Welcome and Chair's Report
Notes	Spencer Larsen called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Spencer Larsen made the motion to approve the February meeting minutes. Brent Platt seconded the motion which passed unanimously . Spencer introduced and welcomed new board member, Debbie Whitlock, Deputy Director of JJS. Debbie replaces Chris Roach. Introductions were made around the table. Cuong asked the Board for approval of a new law enforcement officer for the UBJJ Board, Chief Steve Anjewierden from Unified Police Department. Chris Crowder made the motion to approve Chief Anjewierden as a UBJJ Board member. Brent Platt seconded the motion which passed unanimously .
Agenda Item	DtWT Committee Report (tape 7:00)
Notes	Spencer briefly explained the DTWT program for our newest member Debbie Whitlock. VIP scores are still coming in, with just a few left to obtain. Chris Crowder spoke about Kathleen Tesori's (the keynote speaker for the awards luncheon) life experiences and how well they relate to the DTWT Campaign. She will be an excellent speaker.
Agenda Item	DMC Subcommittee Report (tape 22:00)
Notes	Toni Gray, our new DMC coordinator reported that the training with SL school district had eight administrators attend and one SRO. While the Granite School District was the opposite. Toni will try to maintain a balance for both administrators and SRO's. There will be a meeting on March 27 th to discuss best practices. Toni hopes those will be ready to roll out in June so that the next school year will start with best practices in place. A template for a memorandum of understanding between schools and law enforcement is complete.
Agenda Item	Review Abstract Proposal (tape 26:00)
Notes	<p>The Board has received an abstract proposal from the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah (PITU), which proposes to provide a tribal wide delinquency prevention project for Native youth grades kindergarten through 12 (ages 5 – 17), and will focus on physical wellbeing, suicide and substance abuse prevention, and improving the overall mental health of participants by incorporating evidence-based strategies in conjunction with cultural activities.</p> <p>Brent Platt made the motion to close the meeting so the Board could discuss the proposal. Pam Vickrey seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Brent made the motion to reconvene the meeting. Shirlee Silversmith seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p> <p>The Board liked the evidence-based approach of the program, as well as working with the tribal technical assistance center and the community action plan. PITU is anxious to begin the program. Brent made the motion to approve funding the program with further details to come. Troy Rawlings seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p>
Agenda Item	Legislative Review (tape 38:00)

Notes	<p>Cuong thanked Gini, Troy and Pam for attending the Monday legislative meetings for UBJJ. CCJJ reviewed 103 bills, and three of them were a priority for UBJJ:</p> <p>SB 167 Juvenile Offender Amendments SB 164 S1 Access to Health Care Amendments HB 348 S1 Criminal Justice Program and Amendments</p> <p>Pam Vickrey (Utah Juvenile Defender Attorneys) noted that SB 167 is a good policy improvement. Judge Michie approved of the idea of drafting a letter and gave Pam ideas for drafting it. Once completed, the draft will be reviewed by the UBJJ Board. Judge Michie wrote a letter of thanks to Pam praising her for her work.</p> <p>Debbie Whitlock (JJS) said that the legislative session was great this year. JJS received ongoing money and one time money. Additional funding was approved to rural receiving centers to go back to 24 hour operations. Funding was also allocated to fund the multi-use facility in Ogden, and a provider rate increase was approved.</p> <p>Brent Platt (DCFS) reported that he is happy to receive full funding. The legislature required all agencies to submit budgets. Six bills that DCFS supported passed.</p> <p>Cuong reported that if UBJJ wants to be involved with legislation and provide input, we need to develop strategies and get involved early. Pam agreed with the idea and encouraged the Board to explore this at the next meeting. Pam suggested issues that the Board can become involved : (1) clean up on the competency statute and reaching out to DHS to help and create a work group to see what changes can be made and (2) juvenile expungement. Utah's expungement law is really prohibitive. We may need to get a legislative representative to help us. Finally, the Board should discuss the Serious Youth Offender statute.</p>
Agenda Item	OJJDP Programmatic Visit to Utah (tape 1:10)
Notes	Cuong stated that representatives from OJJDP tentatively plan a site visit in April. They will visit West Valley's StepUp program, the Asian Association Refugee Program and Juvenile Accountability Block Grant programs. More details to come when the visit is confirmed.
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled from 8:00 am to 9:30 am, Thursday, April 16, 2015, Utah State Capitol Complex, East Building, Copper Room.

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