

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes

Committee	Utah Board of Juvenile Justice
Date	Thursday, May 16, 2013
Time	8am – 9:30 a.m.
Location	Utah State Capitol Complex, Senate Bldg., Copper Room
Members Present	Pat Berckman, Donovan Bergstrom, Karen Crompton, Scott Jackson, Spencer Larsen, Nindy Le, Judge James Michie, Van Nguyen, Amanda Rock for Shirlee Silversmith
Members Excused	Patrick Garcia, Gini Highfield, Rachael Skidmore, Pam Vickrey
Members Absent	Anthony Johnson, James Marchel, Brent Platt, Troy Rawlings
Staff	Reg Garff, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen Visitors:
Agenda Item	Welcome and Chair's Report
Notes	Karen called the meeting to order welcomed everyone. Pat Berckman made the motion to approve the April meeting minutes. Donovan Bergstrom seconded the motion which passed unanimously .
Agenda Item	Committee & Other Reports
Notes	<p>Youth Committee/Do the Write Thing – Van reported that the DTWT Awards luncheon went very well. The venue worked nicely and keynote speaker, Lt. Governor Greg Bell, gave an excellent and heartfelt speech.</p> <p>The national finalists were Timothy Hui from Midvale Middle School and Mikayla Weichers from Fort Herriman Middle School. The two finalists, along with a parent and teacher, will fly to Washington D.C. in July to attend the National DTWT recognition event. The two were also recognized at the annual Troubled Youth Conference. The Utah Educational Savings account awards were increased this year. The National finalists received \$500, the runners' up received \$300 and the remaining students from the top twelve received \$200.</p> <p>The photographers', Intellectual Madmen did an excellent job with photos. Van thanked the Board for their work on scoring the top 90 essays.</p> <p>DMC/CASP Update – DMC Local Working Groups are meeting in Salt Lake, Utah, and Weber Counties. In the last few weeks, DMC presentations were made to West Jordan School District, Granite School District, Salt Lake County Council Government, and to Salt Lake County Mayor, Ben McAdams. Salt Lake City, Unified Police Department/West Valley City, and West Jordan Working Groups all have regular meeting times now. There seems to be general support at the school district level. The Working Group is still working to get a "buy-in" from school principals to address DMC.</p> <p>Utah County Working Group's Jerry Oler has contacted and received participation from many identified stakeholders. The Working Group is still trying to present DMC to the Blue Ribbon Committee and generate "buy-in" from them. The Weber County Working Group has great collaboration with Ogden Police Department and Ogden School District. CCJJ has approved funding scholarships for the Northern Ogden Conference to address DMC and Cuong is working to secure technical assistance from OJJDP. The Community Relations Curriculum for Juvenile Court and Juvenile Justice Services is making progress. The working group has developed a "scope of work," and is currently enlisting the help from focus groups in each of those entities for input prior to curriculum development. Focus group work should be done by the end of May; approval for the "scope" by June; then curriculum development. It should be piloted by September 2013.</p> <p>Site Visit Reports – Pat Berckman noted that she and Gini Highfield visited the after-school program at the Refugee and Immigrant Center/Asian Association of Utah. The program is impressive and has a lot of potential. The project has limited funding.</p>

	<p>Van Nguyen added that she, Patrick Garcia and Reg Garff visited Project Step Up, an after-school program located in West Valley City. The project serves about twenty needy children a week. The children are divided into two groups, one with older children and the other, younger children.</p> <p>Troubled Youth Conference – The conference hosted approximately 750 attendees this year. The Honorable Steven C. Teske, Chief Judge of the Juvenile Court, Clayton County, Georgia was the keynote speaker and gave a presentation called <i>Keeping Kids In School and Out of the Courts: The Positive Student Engagement Model for School Policing</i>. One common denominator of all the presentations was the number of kids who experience trauma in their lives. Next year will be the 35th year for the conference.</p>
Agenda Item	Juvenile Justice Specialist Report (26:00 tape)
Notes	<p>Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) Spring Conference Update – Reg Garff, Karen Crompton and Pat Berckman attended the CJJ 2013 Annual Conference, Council of State Advisory Groups' Meeting and Hill Day in Washington D.C. The conference theme this year was <i>“Building Supportive Communities to Prevent Violence and Delinquency.”</i> This year's conference focused on multi-stakeholder collaborations and coalitions that have come together to meet the needs of at-risk and court-involved youth and their families.</p> <p>Reg presented a handout of the talking points that he used in speaking to the Staff members of our Utah Legislators in D.C.</p> <p>Karen Crompton mentioned a program to begin this Fall by Voices for Utah Children, called “Attendance Matters” to encourage attendance at a young age. School attendance, even as early as Kindergarten has a major effect on children’s outcomes. Research shows higher levels of parent involvement in schools reduces chronic absences.</p>
Agenda Item	CJJ SOS Project (28:00 tape)
Notes	<p>CJJ is planning to circulate National Standards for the Care of Youth Charged with Status Offenses in its current semi-final state with relevant stake-holders. The Council of SAGs discussed the document at its spring conference. CJJ is asking the SAG's and other organizations to review the document and consider what level of support can be offered. CJJ is asking us to “sign on” in one of the following categories: Acknowledgment, Endorsement, Dissemination Partner, or Adoption.</p> <p>The current action items CJJ is requesting are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If we are prepared to sign on at one or more of these levels, we need to let them know as soon as possible. 2. We may also submit any comments to the substance of the document. They need to know by June 1, 2013 for all comments. <p>Judge Michie suggested going back through the bold points and focus on them, so we can make a more informed position. We could vote via email. Reg will prepare an executive summary and send to the Board. Judge Michie made the motion to say yes to the first three categories and let the Board take more time to look at adoption. Scott Jackson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.</p>
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled for 8:00am, Thursday, June 20, 2013, Utah State Capitol Complex, Senate Bldg., Copper Room

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