

CCJJ Meeting Notes

Committee:	Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice
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Date:	December 21, 1999	Time:	2:00 p.m.	Place:	Governor's Board Room, State Capitol Building
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Members Present	Camille Anthony, Dan Becker, Georgia Block, Rep. Afton Bradshaw, D. Douglas Bodrero, Gary K. Dalton, Craig Dearden, Pete Haun, Chief Richard W. Hendricks, Sen. Joseph L. Hull, Dr. James O. Mason, Richard McKelvie, John T. Nielsen, Judge Sandra Peuler, Marilyn Sandberg, Michael R. Sibbett, Gregory G. Skordas, Sheriff Mike Spanos and David Yocom
Members Excused	Judge Joseph Anderson, Jan Graham, Chief Richard Hendricks, Dr. James O. Mason, Richard McKelvie, John T. Nielsen, Judge Sandra Peuler and Ron Vance
Visitors	Bill Dinehart, Chevan Nanayakkara, Susan Burke, Richard Ziebarth, Jennifer Hemenway, Marvin Dodge, Ed McConkie, Justin Jones, Dave Walsh and Diane Ngatuvai

Agenda Item:	Welcome - Chair Doug Bodrero
Notes:	<p>Chair Doug Bodrero commenced the meeting welcoming everyone. He explained that CCJJ will be implementing a new system for minutes in order to simplify and free up staff time. The focus will be to capture motions made and important highlights only. All meetings will continue to be tape recorded with the tapes being kept for two years.</p> <p>Sheriff Mike Spanos made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting which was seconded by Mike Sibbett. The motion was passed unanimously.</p>

<p>Agenda Item:</p>	<p>Byrne Grant Funding</p>
<p>Notes:</p>	<p>Marvin Dodge announced that Utah received its full request for the Bulletproof Vest Grant Program with an additional \$46,000 being awarded.</p> <p>The Executive Committee brought to the Commission the issue of the possibility of phasing out Byrne Grant compensation for POST certified officers by July 2001. Byrne Grant will continue to allow POST certified officers to be claimed as match.</p> <p>Marvin explained that currently CCJJ funds a program regardless of effectiveness for four years. He proposed that CCJJ begin to evaluate these programs after 24 months and based on their effectiveness, extend the program for an additional year on to an additional two years.</p> <p>Byrne Grant information technology set aside will increase from 5% to 10% in the year 2000.</p> <p>Marvin noted that funding for adult drug courts is built into this year's plan.</p> <p>The Byrne Grant award of \$4.5 million includes funding we would have forfeited had we not been in compliance with the Jacob Wetterling Act.</p> <p>Jennifer explained that \$193,000 of Byrne money will be spent to copy a model from South Carolina that allows all jails to hook into one victim notification system. Victims automatically receive phone notification when offenders are released from jail. This is the first foray into a web based system. It is a password protected system. Jennifer noted that the scope can be narrowed according to what kind of criminal justice information is put into the system.</p>

Agenda Item:	Byrne Grant Funding continued
Notes:	Mike Sibbett made a motion to accept this Byrne Funding Report, seconded by Craig Deardon. The motion was unanimously approved.

Agenda Item:	Federal Budget Information - Dave Walsh
Notes:	<p>Dave Walsh reported that Governor Leavitt has released his budget. The Governor pinpointed approximately sixty programs that he would like to see funded, as well as a strong emphasis on his desire to see the drug court expanded statewide.</p> <p>Afton Bradshaw noted that the Republican Legislative Caucuses took a stand that no tobacco money will be spent until it is in the bank. Reed Richards stated that \$10 million has been received by the state with 2.5 million in escrow. The state will receive \$30 million by mid-April. 25% of this will be held back for lawsuits.</p> <p>Camille Anthony noted that in the Safe Communities handout the Governor is recommending a \$2 million increase for DOC officers. The level of commitment to prevention, intervention and treatment is at its highest ever. Tobacco settlement money will be key to funding these programs.</p>

Agenda Item:	2000 Crime Legislation - Ron Gordon
Notes:	<p>Ron Gordon gave an overview of the crime legislation that is forthcoming. He noted that CCJJ has been very involved in researching S.B. 79, "Weapons Restrictions Amendments."</p> <p>There was a discussion regarding the concern that children labeled "mentally ill" would have this follow them on records throughout their lives. Gary Dalton noted that the courts have the leeway to place child in the best environment possible, noting that it is very rare to have a child labeled as such. Ron noted that this particular bill is focused on adult mental illness.</p> <p>Doug suggested that the Commission keep a tracking report of some bills with far reaching impact rather than vote on them and take a position. Dan Becker added that a good approach might be to choose four or five to study intensively, narrowing these to bills that have system-wide impact only.</p> <p>Mike Sibbett made a motion to authorize the Executive Committee to look at system wide impact legislation and take positions. Reed Richards seconded the motion.</p> <p>Pete Haun voiced concern regarding this process, suggesting that the Executive Committee identify these bills and bring them before the Commission to bring unity to the process.</p> <p>There was a substitute motion by Mike Sibbett to allow the Executive Committee some latitude during the session. However, to keep Commission members aware of what is being decided, the Executive Committee will fax or e-mail its decisions to the Commission members time permitting. Georgia Block added that the motion should empower the Executive Committee to take positions on legislation during the session and electronically transmit those decisions allowing a specified time frame for response. If no response is given, then their legislative position would be finalized within seven days. The motion was unanimously approved.</p>

Agenda Item:	Other
Notes:	<p>Doug: It was agreed that the next meeting of the Commission will be held January 18th from noon - 2:00 in the Governor's Board Room. The Commission will also meet on February 8th and February 22nd during the session. Dave Yocom made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Pete Haun seconding the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.</p>
