

# **Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice**

**February 3, 2004**  
**Governor's Board Room**

**Members Present:** Brandt Johnson, Gary Anderson, Dan Fallows, Blake Chard, Mike Chabries, Lynn Nelson, Reed Richards, Val Shupe, Kirk Torgensen, Michael Sibbett, Gregory G. Skordas, David Yocom

**Members Excused:** Freddie Cooper, Kay Cornaby, Gary Jorgensen, Kay Lindsay, Richard McKelvie, Sandra Peuler,

**Staff:** Ed McConkie, Pat Mason, Jennifer Hemenway, Doreen Weyland, Susan Burke, Julie Christensen, Dave Walsh

**Welcome and Minutes** – Brant Johnson welcomed everyone.

Mike Sibbett made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 10, 2003 CCJJ Annual Meeting and December 2, 2003 CCJJ Full Commission Meeting. Second: Sheriff Nelson. It was voted on and passed.

**Update on Drug Offender Reform Act (DORA) – Ed McConkie**

Ed McConkie made the same presentation to the commission as was presented to the standing committee, house law enforcement, and criminal justice.

Key Points in SB21:

- Requires offenders to be screened and, if needed, assessed for a substance abuse problem.
- Results of any screening and assessment are provided to the judge as part of the pre-sentence investigation report.
- The judge has the option to sentence an offender to treatment as a condition of probation.
- An additional 1,600 treatment slots would be created in year one to serve an additional 600 probationers, and 500 inmates and parolees.
- Authorizes the Utah Substance Abuse and Anti-Violence Coordinating Council to develop an implementation plan, monitor the program, and evaluate efforts.

The Legislature agrees that offenders convicted of other offenses but have a substance abuse problem need treatment. There is wide spread agreement with this bill. It has passed through the Senate and received unanimous support in the House Committee today. They realize there is significant cost avoidance and the momentum for this bill is high right now. It was suggested by the commission to narrow the scope of screening and treatment if it is not fully funded the first year, possibly implementing a pilot project.

**Update on Key Legislation – Doreen Weyland**

Doreen Weyland reported on the legislative tracking through the combined executive committees.

Ed reported that Governor Walker has convened an ad hoc task force to review MATRIX (Multistate Anti-Terrorism Information EXchange) Utah's participation in it. Governor Walker has asked CCJJ to staff the task force and write the report. Ed reported that on Thursday, CNN @ 6:15pm will be talking about MATRIX (Multistate Anti-Terrorism Information EXchange). [www.iir.com](http://www.iir.com) is the web site that will have more information and education regarding it.

### **Discussion on Key Appropriation Matters – Dave Walsh**

Dave Walsh reported that the appropriation committee is taking a different approach this year. They are providing every agency a base budget and have not talked about budget cuts so far. They are also talking about the \$52 million one time surplus but can not make any decisions until they know what the surplus will be at the end of the fiscal year.

### **JusticeXchange Demonstration – Jennifer Hemenway**

- Jennifer Hemenway reported that JusticeXchange is an integrated justice application that allows law enforcement officials in several states to share current and historical information about offenders moving through the nations jail network. Utah law enforcement agencies can identify who has been in a local jail facility, but they can also subscribe to be alerted if someone shows up. JusticeXchange can become a key tool for locating and catching missing or wanted persons.
- The data includes geographical information, charges, photographs, and incident reports about incarcerated offenders.
- Because the data used for JusticeXchange will already be collected to support the VINE (Victim Information & Notification Everyday) system, JusticeXchange will primarily enhance and leverage an existing data source.
- UCJIS (Utah Criminal Justice Information System) collects data from: Courts, Corrections, and Law Enforcement.
  1. Provides a complete offender picture
  2. Available through the internet
  3. Provides Smarter searches of Criminal Justice Data
  4. Resides in a secure environmentOther databases included in UCJIS are driver's license, criminal history, warrants, and protective orders, O-TRACK (Corrections) and CORIS (Courts)
- This program is for anyone involved in the criminal justice system that currently has access to use UCJIS (Utah Criminal Justice Information System).
- Data Integration
  1. Save data entry time at each stage of the criminal justice process
  2. Saves costly data entry mistakes
  3. Helps law enforcement make smarter decision.

JusticeXchange is a State/Federal Partnership.

Brant Johnson adjourned the meeting.

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Next meeting will be held April 6, 2004 in the new building.  
Minutes by Pat Mason, Administrative Assistant