

UTAH BOARD OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

MEETING NOTES

Committee:	Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Committee
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Date:	Thursday February 19, 2009	Time:	10:00 – 11:30 am	Place:	SL County Div. of Youth Services 177 W. Price Avenue
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Members Present	Manuel Romero, Kris Shawn, Maria Garcia, Shirlee Silversmith, Russ Van Vleet, Judge Leslie D. Brown, Det. Trudy Cropper, Pat Berckman, Salvador Mendez, Judge Larry E. Jones, and Debbie Rocha
Members Excused	Jerry Oler, Narda Beas-Nordell
Members Absent	Huy Nguyen, Fotu Katoa
Staff & Guest	Reg Garff and Cuong Nguyen

Agenda Item 1:	Welcome/Introductions – Pat Berckman
Notes	Pat welcomed everyone to the meeting and to the Salt Lake County Division of Youth Services. She extended her welcome by offering a tour of the facility after the meeting if any one interested. Manuel motioned to pass the minute; Russ seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 2:	POST – Update - Debbie
Notes:	Lt. Wade Bruer was scheduled to update the Subcommittee on progress and effectiveness of minority youth scenarios. Lt. Bruer was unable to make it to the meeting.

Agenda Item 3:	Diversity Website Presentation – Manuel Romero
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manuel demonstrated the newly created website by the Utah Department of Human Services. The website: www.diversity.hs.utah.gov is prepared for case workers and personnel of the department to use for information purpose. It contains information about specific cultures and traditions of a specific ethnic/culture group. The website requires authentication access. Manuel shared that it is not yet complete, but he wanted to share with DMC Subcommittee and seek possible feedbacks. He will send Cuong temporary log-in name and password to be shared with Subcommittee members.

Agenda Item 4:	Racial Data Entry – Update – Gerry Oler
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry was unable to attend the meeting. No updated was given on this item.

Agenda Item 5:	2009 DMC Work – Progress Report
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMC Message Development Working Group – Manuel Manuel shared that the group has completed the document and is ready to present. He shared the document contain general information about the Juvenile Justice and

	<p>Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP), Utah’s DMC Compliance Plan, Organization Chart, and Current Findings. The message asks for collaboration and support from relevant State Government agencies, as well as non-profit, community organizations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Utah County DMC Working Group – Jerry Cuong reported that a meeting took place in Utah County with representatives from Trial Court Executive, Chief Probation Officer, and Supervisor as well as personnel of the Diversion Program. Cuong presented the “DMC Message” and discussion took place afterward about diversion findings in Utah County. The group agreed to look into the issue, find possible contributing factors, and will meet again to discuss possible solutions. ● Weber County DMC Working Group – Cuong Initial contact was made to Trail Court Executive and Chief Probation Officer in Weber County. Cuong will continue to initiate the contact for possible meetings. ● DMC Data Analysis Working Group – Jerry Cuong reported that the group met on February 2nd to discuss the findings and recommendations from TA at the DMC Annual Retreat. They agreed to analyze arrest separately from the rest of the points of contacts. They will further study the sources for referrals and the breakdown s of those numbers. They agreed on the diversion findings and supported the strategy under taken. Audrey also mentioned that the new data set for FY08 is available and she will put in a request to the court for those data. She hopes to have the preliminary result for April or May meeting. The working group will meet again after the preliminary report.
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Agenda Item 6:	Others/House keeping
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Took attendance for individual who were interested to attend the Utah Gang Conference April 2-3 and Troubled Youth Conference May 7-8

The next meetings are scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2009 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the State Capitol Complex, Senate Building, Spruce Conference Room, 1st Floor.