

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice

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Committee:	UBJJ BOARD MEETING
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Date:	Friday, April 27, 2007	Time:	9:00am – 10:30am	Place:	CCJJ Conference Room State Capitol Complex E330
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Members Present	Pat Berckman, Leslie D. Brown, Adam Cohen, Brittany Ennis, Maria J. Garcia, Jessica Hernandez, Maxwell Jackson, Holly Martak, Huy D. Nguyen, Carol Page, Fred Peake, Paul Tsosie
Members Excused	Gaby Anderson, Gary Anderson, Michael Di Reda, Gini Highfield, Lonnie Thomas, Natalie Thornley
Staff	Reg Garff, Jo Lynn Kruse, Russ Van Vleet and visitors Matt Davis and Brittany Schmeck
Members Absent	Tonia Hashimoto

Agenda Item:	Welcome & Chair’s Report
Notes:	Holly Martak called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Reg noted that the minutes from March 30 th incorrectly list Gini Highfield as absent, while it should say excused. Carol Page made the motion to approve the March 30th minutes with that correction. Adam Cohen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously .

Agenda Item:	Funding Proposals
Notes:	<p>The Third District Juvenile Court requests \$7,000 in one time funds to be used to provide community-based services for individuals and families participating in the C3 Court program. Funds would be used over one year and they are seeking to replace these funds with another Federal Grant and State Budget allocations in the future. Recreational therapy would be supported by Valley Mental Health at a reduced rate. Group therapy and medications are also covered.</p> <p>Mental Health is one of our funding priorities and this is a good opportunity for UBJJ to be involved. Fred Peake made the motion to approve funding to C3. Carol Page seconded the motion and asked for more family therapy to be included. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>The Youth Court State Advisory Board has submitted a request for funding (\$5,720) to provide 20 scholarships for deserving youth court volunteers to attend the annual statewide youth court conference in St. George. There is \$5,294.80 remaining in FY 04 Title II Supplemental that needs to be spent by September 30, 2007. Pat Berckman made the motion to approve funding this request at \$5,394.80. Huy Nguyen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Pat Berckman made the motion that Reg request an extension on the Title II grants. Huy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.</p>

Agenda Item:	Adam Walsh Response Update
Notes:	The board reviewed the response letter opposing the interim rule requiring the retroactive effect of the Adam Walsh Act on sex offenders, drafted by Reg. Reasons for opposition include: The Act makes little distinction between juveniles and adults, and that Utah’s juvenile justice system goes to great lengths to rehabilitate juvenile sex offenders. It would be extremely difficult for states to apply the mandates of the Act retroactively. Identifying, locating, documenting and requiring in-person updates four times each year would be an enormous administrative burden. Carol Page made the motion to approve the letter. Pat Berckman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously .

Agenda Item:	Outcome Measures Update
Notes:	<p>Matt Davis gave an update on two outcome measure tools used this past year. The first one is a new survey site. Each program will have its own website. The websites can be shown in more than one language. The kids can log on themselves and take the survey several times. Surveys will be tracked better. We can enroll kids, activate and deactivate them. The program can set up emails to prompt when the child is to take a survey. The second tool is the risk and protective factor tool. One can look at summaries by topic, population and geography. It is now available at www.juvenile.utah.gov.</p>

Agenda Item:	Committee & Other Reports
Notes:	<p>Youth Committee/Do the Write Thing – Holly Martak The awards luncheon is today. Ed Yeates from KSL will be there to cover the story. Zions Bank will set up savings accounts for the National Finalist and two runner’s up. Real Salt Lake donated two soccer game tickets per finalist. Each State finalist and all VIP judges will receive a copy of <i>No One Makes It Alone</i> written by Judge Valdez.</p> <p>DMC – Reg We now have a job description written for the DMC coordinator. Dave Walsh and Bob Yeates will decide whether the job will be part-time or full-time. Options range from an intern to a full-time person. There is \$128,277 open for 2007 programs. We will need somewhere in the range of \$70,000 to \$90,000 for a full time coordinator. Police Officer Training Standards (POST) no longer offers diversity or cultural training for officers. Juvenile courts have a program that teaches probation officers how to deal more effectively with kids. Our goal is to improve relations with all juveniles, including minorities.</p> <p>Program Site Visits – Maria Garciaz visited Salt Lake County Youth Services (Discovering Possibilities). Their greatest issue is getting referrals to serve their target population (girls of color). Another issue is getting more training on collecting data. Matt Davis will be helping them with that. The other site visit was with Title V Granite Youth Park Development. They have a sports program and Teen Team for kids struggling academically in school. Grade point averages have steadily increased with program participants. They meet weekly and have completed over 100 surveys. Sustainability is a concern, so they are doing a lot of outreach with the business community.</p> <p>Pat Berckman and Natalie Thornley will visit Grandfamilies in Tooele on May 1.</p> <p>CJJ Government Relations Update The Coalition for Juvenile Justice is ramping up their government relations. They would like to get a government relations liaison from each SAG in the U.S. We need a representative from our board. Gary Anderson is listed as a member of the committee. Reg would like an additional person to represent our board as the liaison. Maria Garciaz made the motion to have Judge Brown be the second liaison representing our board. Carol Page seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.</p>

Agenda Item:	Juvenile Justice Specialist Report
Notes:	<p>Title II & Title V RFP Update – The Title V grant proposals have been submitted. Nothing has been approved yet. DOJ has held up the release of all the ’07 money. We hope to get it by September. The Title II continuation RFP is posted on the website and grants are due on May 4th as well as the Gang Mini-grants. We only have six Title II continuation projects. We typically split into pre and post adjudicated groups, but since there are so few, we’ll just keep them together.</p> <p>Response to Federal Budget – A letter was faxed to our congressional delegations, detailing our grants and their locations.</p>

	<p>The Coalition for Juvenile Justice, CJJ, is having a summit on Reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act on June 9 – 12 in Washington D.C. Please notify Reg no later than next week if you would like to go so travel arrangements can be made. Judge Brown, Natalie Thornley and Carol Page indicated they would like to attend. There will also be more training in the Fall and Winter. Reg presented a copy of the <u>ACT 4 Juvenile Justice</u>. We received a request for CJJ dues of \$5,000. Judge Brown made the motion to approve paying the dues. Maria Garcia seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Reg asked for a motion to support the Act 4 Juvenile Justice which Reg will forward to the national people and for additions and suggestions. Reg will find out the names of the contact, re-send this document to the board, and the board can then pass on to other organizations. Huy Nguyen made the motion to support the document. Judge Brown seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.</p>
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The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 25, 2007, 8 a.m. Utah State Capitol, Seagull Room

Minutes prepared by Jo Lynn Kruse - Executive Secretary, CCJJ