

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes

Committee	Utah Board of Juvenile Justice
Date	Friday, May 2, 2008
Time	8:30am – 10:30 a.m.
Location	Utah State Capitol, East Bldg., Seagull Room
Members Present	Gaby Anderson, Pat Berckman, Maria Garciaz, Gini Highfield, Carol Page, Lonnie Thomas, Russ Van Vleet
Members Excused	Judge Leslie Brown, Adam Cohen, Brittany Enniss, Mike Di Reda, Jessica Hernandez, Maxwell Jackson, Holly Martak, Huy Nguyen, Fred Peake, Natalie Thornley
Members Absent	Gary Anderson, Tonia Hashimoto
Staff	Reg Garff, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen, Bob Yeates
Agenda Item	Welcome and Chair's Report
Notes	<p>Maria Garciaz called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. A quorum was not reached, so the February and March minutes were not approved. Troy S. Rawlings from the Davis County Attorney's Office has agreed to serve on the board and replace Mike Di Reda. Karen Crompton will also be joining us, as well as a new juvenile court judge.</p> <p>The executive committee will have a conference call next week to discuss replacements on the board. We need a replacement for Commissioner Page and we need a Native American. Russ Van Vleet has someone in mind and will speak to that person.</p>
Agenda Item	FACJJ Survey
Notes	<p>Gini Highfield and Reg Garff added language and smoothed out other language on the survey. Gini spoke about the recent FACJJ conference in D.C.</p> <p>The board reviewed the 2008 Draft of the FACJJ Report to the President and Congress. This document will serve as a basis for the 2009 report. The document will be finalized by the end of June. Gini also discussed meeting with Mr. Flores in D.C.</p>
Agenda Item	Committee & Other Reports
Notes	<p>Title V – No report</p> <p>Youth Committee/Do the Write Thing – Today is the Awards Luncheon following this meeting. Holly stated that there is extra money in the fund raising account, so Board of Regents college fund accounts have been set up for the top two winners in the amount of \$500. The runner's up will get \$250 and the remaining eight students \$100. Utah Attorney General, Mark Shurtleff, will be the keynote speaker. Heidi Searle, the current Miss Murray, will sing a song that she wrote about dating violence.</p> <p>DMC – Pat could not be here. Cuong gave the following update: The DMC committee met on March 28. A work-group made contact with the POST (Police Officer Standards Training) director to develop training scenarios. Those should be completed by next week. The DMC board raised questions about the validity of some of the data. A better definition is needed for all points of contact, and to define what is an arrest. Arrest data comes from BCI (Bureau of Criminal Identification) as opposed to the CARE system, where all the other information comes from. The DMC committee needs a defense attorney to serve as a member.</p> <p>Program Site Visits – Maria Garciaz and Gabby Anderson visited BBBS last week. The</p>

	<p>BBBS objectives are to create 27 new mentorship pairs in Wasatch, Washington and Weber county. They have created 25 of the 27 new mentorship pairs thus far. They also have a state wide web-based evaluation program called A.I.M. (Agency Information Management) and objectives are measured and reported by project coordinator on a monthly basis and at time of intake/match. BBBS does not participate in the UBJJ outcome measures as they are funded by a mini-grant. They get referrals from schools, law enforcement, juvenile detention and word of mouth.</p>
Agenda Item	CJJ Conference Report
Notes	<p>Holly, Reg, Max and Cuong attended the CJJ Conference in D.C. Holly stated that this conference was not one of their best. Utah is doing well. Darren Carver spoke at a session about Project Empower and was the best session according to Holly. Darren took model programs to the next level by employing meta analysis and best practices. Holly also attended Transforming Services for Girls which she thought was also very good and the CJJ Council of the SAGS. Overall, CJJ is doing a good job as far as advocacy. The DMC platform did not pass, but that is only because some of the committee hadn't seen it yet.</p> <p>Cuong added that Utah does better than other states concerning data collection. Utah is one of the few states that have data collection and also are one of the few states that have a DMC Coordinator, full time with benefits. Many states contract out that position. The Zero Tolerance Initiative at schools is not working, produces more arrests and more referrals to court. There was discussion at the conference on creating a database for a best practices model.</p> <p>Reg attended a session on integrated child welfare and juvenile justice systems to improve outcomes for youth. Carol Shapiro of the Family Justice Center is coming in July to help Utah with its juvenile justice system. Congressman Matheson is the only legislator that met with the group in person. Reg suggested that the threshold for Title II funding be raised so that Utah can get more than the \$600,000 we've been getting. Reg also spoke with staffers for Senators Hatch and Bennett. They recognized that changes need to be made to the Adam Walsh Act. Reg will email the talking points to the UBJJ board.</p>
Agenda Item	Juvenile Justice Specialist Report
Notes	<p>Our FY '05 funding is spent from both our supplement and our regular account. Our FY '06 has about \$6,000 remaining and the deadline for it to be spent is the end of September. We have about \$116,000 in the FY '07 money remaining. Reg will roll over what he can into the RFP. If the board approves, Reg would like to move the U of U evaluation project from the July schedule to the October schedule. Cuong's salary will be funded from the remaining '07 money. Our '00 Title V grant allocation is \$56,250. All Gang Mini-Grant applications have been received and are put together in binders for the sub-committee to review. There were nine applications this year. Reg would like to meet with the sub-committee on May 29th from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.</p>
Agenda Item	Upcoming Conferences/Training
Notes	<p>Annual Troubled Youth Conference: May 8, 9 at the Cliff Lodge, Snowbird, Utah Children's Justice Center Symposium: May 13-15, Zermatt Resort, Midway, Utah OJJDP State Relations Assistance Division Training: Aug. 17-20, 2008 Nashville, TN</p>
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 30, 2008, Utah State Capitol Complex, Seagull Room

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