JUVENILE JUSTICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MAY 22, 2017 MEETING SUMMARY

On May 22, 2017 the Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee convened its inaugural meeting in Salt Lake City. Led by Representative Snow, the purpose of the meeting was to review the requirements of HB 239 and provide an overview of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention’s Smart on Juvenile Justice Initiative and the types of technical assistance offered by the Crime and Justice Institute (CJI), discuss the Committee’s roles and responsibilities, and review the 2017 meeting schedule.

HB 239 Requirements and CJI’s Technical Assistance
Opening Remarks and Introduction
Representative Snow called the meeting to order and welcomed members, asking each member to introduce themselves.

The members of the Committee include:
- Representative Lowry Snow, 74th District
- Krista Airam, Assistant Juvenile Court Administrator, Administrative Office of the Courts
- Susan Burke, Director, DHS Division of Juvenile Justice Services
- Patricia Cassell, Chief Prosecutor, Summit County Attorney’s Office
- Doug Diamond, Chief, West Jordan Police Department
- Ron Gordon, Executive Director, CCJJ
- Carolyn Hansen, Associate Director, Salt Lake County Youth Services
- Sam Jarman, Superintendent, Alpine School District
- Catherine Johnson, Child and Family Services Division Director, Wasatch Mental Health
- Spencer Larsen, Youth Representative
- Tonya Myrup, Acting Director, Division of Child and Family Services
- Lincoln Nehring, Director, Voices for Utah
- Heidi Nestel, Utah Crime Victims Legal Clinic
- Mary Noonan, Fourth District Juvenile Judge
- Patty Norman, Assistant Superintendent, Utah State Board of Education
- Kayley Richards, Program Director, Salt Lake
- Dawn Marie Rubio, Juvenile Court Administrator, Administrative Office of the Courts
- Ann Silverberg Williamson, Executive Director, Utah Department of Human Services
- Shirlee Silversmith, Director, Utah Indian Affairs Office
- Doug Thomas, Director, Utah Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health
- Pam Vickrey, Executive Director, Utah Juvenile Defender Attorneys
- Debbie Whitlock, Deputy Director, Juvenile Justice Services
- Patty Norman, Assistant Superintendent, Utah State Board of Education
- Kayley Richards, Program Director, Salt Lake
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- Pam Vickrey, Executive Director, Utah Juvenile Defender Attorneys
- Debbie Whitlock, Deputy Director, Juvenile Justice Services

Committee staff include:
- Sarah Galgano, Crime and Justice Institute
- Cuong Nguyen, Juvenile Justice Specialist, CCJJ
- Ben Peterson, Research Director, CCJJ
- Tessa Upin, Crime and Justice Institute

Review of HB 239 and CJI’s Technical Assistance
CJI reviewed HB 239 requirements and effective dates. CJI also provided an overview of effective implementation and the types of technical assistance that CJI has provided to the six other states they have worked with on implementing juvenile justice reforms. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was provided to Committee members.

Committee Roles and Responsibilities
The Committee determined that they do not need a mission statement because their roles and responsibilities are defined in HB 239.

1 Pam Lachman and Margot Isman, both from CJI, were also in attendance.
2 https://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/static/HB0239.html
The Committee discussed creating working groups to advance the implementation of the legislation. A number of Committee members noted that agencies and other committees had begun work in order to meet the effective dates. The Committee determined that it would be useful to have representatives update the group on the progress they have made so that the Committee can offer recommendations and have a better understanding of the work that has been done and what working groups would be most beneficial for the Committee to develop.

The Committee also discussed the need to develop materials to share with key stakeholders in the state that explain the changes in HB 239 and address frequently asked questions. CCJJ will work with CJI to develop a communications strategy and materials.

2017 Meeting Schedule
The Committee agreed to meet monthly through the end of 2017. Meetings will occur the third Monday each month. Later in the calendar year, the Committee will evaluate implementation progress and determine how frequently they should meet in 2018.

Next Steps
The next Working Group meeting will take place on June 19 at 1 p.m. in Room B110 of the State Office Building. Representative Snow reminded members that they may reach out to Cuong Nguyen, Juvenile Justice Specialist with the Utah Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, with questions or to request additional information.

During the next meeting, the Committee will discuss establishing subcommittees and reporting requirements for HB 239 related materials. Prior to the next Committee meeting, members should prepare a list of existing working groups that are addressing issues related to HB 239 which representatives of their agency are a part of. Please send the completed list to Cuong Nguyen at cvnguyen@utah.gov by June 14, 2017.
On June 19, 2017 the Utah Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) convened for the second time in Salt Lake City, led by Ron Gordon, co-chair of the JJOC. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce new members; establish consensus on a review process for the JJOC; discuss existing working groups focused on implementation of juvenile justice changes; and hear stakeholder updates on detention admission guidelines, performance-based contracting and non-judicial adjustment and use of a sliding scale to assess fines and fees.

**New JJOC Membership**

Two new members joined the JJOC:
- Clay Pearce, Associate Director, Prevention & Student Placement; Granite School District
- Aaron Peterson, Director of Special Education; South Sanpete School District

**JJOC Review Process**

An executive committee for the JJOC has been established and includes Representative Lowry Snow, Ron Gordon, Susan Burke, Dawn Marie Rubio, Pam Vickrey and Patty Norman, as well as CCJJ staff. The executive committee is responsible for preparing meeting agendas and there was consensus by the full JJOC membership that part of the executive committee’s role is to complete an initial review of any materials completed by other agencies as part of implementation efforts of HB 239. After the initial review and feedback through the executive committee, materials will be shared with all JJOC members for additional review and feedback before being determined as final products.

**Working Groups**

Since the passage of HB 239, several working groups have been established within and across agencies. There are also other working groups that existed prior to HB 239 whose work is relevant to the HB 239 implementation efforts. A list of working groups was shared with the JJOC and members were asked to provide additional information on the activities of these working groups to CCJJ staff to broadly share with the full membership. A request was made by Ron Gordon that Cuong Nguyen from CCJJ be invited to the various working group meetings. The purpose of involving Mr. Nguyen is so that there is a staff person who has a global view of juvenile justice efforts in the state and can help identify working group crossover opportunities and reduce duplication of efforts.

There was consensus on the establishment of two new working groups as an outgrowth of the JJOC: Communications Working Group and Education Working group. The Communications Working Group will span across all system agencies and stakeholders to produce materials that will aid in the understanding of the reforms in HB 239 and the implementation process. A strategic communication management tool has been created that the Communications Working Group can utilize. The management tool will be used to track targeted outreach to stakeholder groups and legislators regarding HB 239, manage media-related outreach and responses, and serve as a repository for all HB 239-related materials.

The Education Working Group will focus on addressing the needs and concerns of those in the education community and will include representatives from the Utah State Board of Education and local school districts.

Additionally, it was shared with JJOC members that a Data Working Group has been established and held its first meeting on June 19th. The purpose of that initial meeting was to review performance measures related to policies in HB 239 and learn from agency representatives about current capacity
to collect and report these data. The next Data Working Group meeting will be on July 17th.

Stakeholder Updates

**Detention Admission Guidelines**

Donovan Bergstrom from Juvenile Justice Services (JJS) and Sharon McCully, Retired Juvenile Judge and member of the Board of Juvenile Justice Services presented information on the proposed detention admission guidelines. The changes to the guidelines include:

- Admission for any class A misdemeanor against a person
- Youth under age 12 can no longer be admitted unless they are charged with a violent felony offense
- Youth can no longer be admitted for failure to appear at court hearings within the past 12 months

JJS shared that there will be three public hearings on the amended guidelines on July 10th, July 11th and July 12th in George, Salt Lake City and Logan, respectively.

**Nonjudicial Adjustment and Sliding Scale**

Dawn Marie Rubio from the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) presented on the revised nonjudicial adjustment policy and the sliding fee scale for assessing nonjudicial adjustment fines and fees. The Board of Juvenile Court Judges is overseeing changes to the implementation on nonjudicial adjustments, including the adoption of the sliding scale. There were questions and discussion from JJOC members to Ms. Rubio on the proposed changes. Ms. Rubio indicated there was a few weeks left to provide additional feedback to be shared with the Board of Juvenile Court Judges before final adoption of the proposed changes.

**Performance-Based Contracting**

Brett Peterson from the Department of Human Services (DHS) presented on performance-based contracting (PBC) and House Bill 239. Mr. Peterson’s presentation included a description of what PBC is, how it is defined in HB 239, and the statutory requirements included in the bill related to contracts for care, treatment and supervision and that PBC must be structured in such a way that incentivizes utilizing evidence-based programs, 90-day timelines for successful program completion, and availability of evidence-based programs for youth living in rural areas.

The ongoing development of the PBC system will include input from providers and PBC experts. A presentation will be given on July 19th by a PBC expert from Casey Family Programs.

**Next Steps**

The next Working Group meeting will take place on July 17th at 1 p.m. at the Utah State Capitol Complex, Copper Room. The Data, Education, and Communication Working Groups will continue meeting and provide updates on activities at the next JJOC meeting.

Since the June JJOC meeting was held, an email address was setup for members of the public to send questions or other inquiries to related to HB 239: hb239info@utah.gov
On July 17, 2017 the Utah Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) convened for the third time in Salt Lake City, led by Ron Gordon, co-chair of the JJOC. The purpose of the meeting was to provide Committee Working Group updates; demonstrate the HB 239 website; review HB 239 communication materials; receive updates from JJOC members; and identify HB 239 related outreach opportunities.

Committee Working Group Updates

**Education Working Group**
Patty Norman, working group chair, shared that the Education Working Group held their first meeting on June 27, 2017. During the meeting, the group discussed upcoming education stakeholder outreach opportunities, reviewed drafts of education related materials and offered feedback, and created a list of frequently asked questions (FAQ) that will be incorporated into an Education FAQ document. The next Education Working Group meeting is being scheduled.

**Data Working Group**
Ben Peterson provided an update to the JJOC on the Data Working Group. The group held their second meeting on July 17, 2017 to refine performance measures related to HB 239, prioritize measures, and discuss recommendations for measures that will be reported externally versus measures that will be used as internal, quality assurance measures.

The Data Working Group plans to share the finalized list of measures and recommendations with the JJOC during the September Oversight Committee meeting for the Committee’s review.

The next Data Working Group meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2017.

**Communication Working Group**
Jackie Chamberlain, working group chair, shared that the Communication Working Group held their first meeting on July 12, 2017. During the meeting the group identified stakeholder groups that should be proactively engaged about HB 239, priority materials that will be tailored for key stakeholder groups in the state, and discussed potential outreach opportunities.

The next Communication Working Group meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2017.

**House Bill 239 Website**
Cuong Nguyen from the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice provided a demonstration of the HB 239 website for the Committee. The website consists of five sections: 1) Purpose; 2) Presentations on HB 239; 3) Meeting Summaries from the JJOC; 4) Archived Information (prior to passage of the legislation); and 5) Contact Information.

Once the website is operational, Mr. Nguyen will send an email to Committee members letting them know that the website is functional. Mr. Nguyen also informed the group that the general email address for HB 239 related questions and comments, HB239info@utah.gov, is functioning. JJOC members were encouraged to share the email address with stakeholders. Mr. Nguyen will monitor the email address and, as appropriate, follow-up with Committee and working group members to address questions and comments received through the email address.

**House Bill 239 Materials**
The Committee reviewed drafts of two education related documents- Education Frequently Asked Questions and School Offense Referral Guidelines. Committee members offered a number of suggestions to improve the clarity of the documents and ensure that they properly address education...
stakeholders’ questions and concerns. Recognizing that the 2017-2018 school year starts soon, CCJ will work quickly to address members’ comments and share the document with Committee members via email for approval.

Committee Member Updates
Utah School Superintendent’s Association
Patty Norman provided an update on Committee members Representative Snow, Susan Burke and Dawn Marie Rubio’s presentation to the Utah School Superintendent’s Association (USSA). Ms. Norman noted that the JJOC members provided background information on HB 239, including where the data that drove the policy changes came from and how youth were moving through the juvenile justice system prior to passage of HB 239. Ms. Norman stated that the USSA requested JJOC members present at their next meeting on July 27-28, 2017.

Nonjudicial Adjustment and Sliding Scale
Dawn Marie Rubio from the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) stated that the AOC is taking into consideration the feedback provided by the JJOC during the June Oversight Committee meeting. Ms. Rubio noted that the AOC likely will not have the sliding scale approved and ready for use by the August 2017 deadline.

Juvenile Justice Services Detention Guidelines
Chief Doug Diamond provided an update from the public hearing he attended on the Juvenile Justice Services’ detention admission guidelines. Chief Diamond noted that most of the questions from the public during the hearings were about HB 239 generally, rather than about the guidelines specifically. Public comment closed the evening of July 17, 2017. JJS has one week to review the feedback and are on track to meet the August 2017 deadline.

Outreach Opportunities
JJOC members brainstormed a list of potential outreach opportunities which included:
- Utah Prosecution Council
- Utah Chiefs’ of Police Conference
- Student Services Convention
- Utah Sheriff’s Conference
- Utah Association of Counties Conference
- Regional Education Centers
- Promising Youth Conference
- Critical Issues Conference
- Fall Substance Abuse Conference
- Utah Public Information Officers Association Conference

Next Steps
The next Working Group meeting will take place on August 21 at 1 p.m. at the Utah State Capitol Complex, Copper Room. The Data, Education, and Communication Working Groups will continue meeting and provide updates on activities at the next JJOC meeting.
On August 21, 2017 the Utah Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) convened for the fourth time in Salt Lake City. The meeting was led by Representative Lowry Snow, chair of the JJOC. The purpose of the meeting was to provide Committee Working Group updates; present a tool that was developed to track the Committee’s progress in meeting their responsibilities under HB 239; discuss outreach to the education and law enforcement communities; and receive updates from the Administrative Office of the Courts, Department of Human Services, Juvenile Justice Services, and the Utah State Board of Education.

Committee Working Group Updates

Education Working Group
The next education working group meeting has been rescheduled for August 30, 2017 at 1pm.

Data Working Group
Sarah Galgano from the Crime and Justice Instituted (CJI) provided an update to the JJOC on the Data Working Group, on behalf of Ben Peterson, chair of the Data Working Group. The group will hold their third meeting on August 22, 2017 to review and finalize Juvenile Justice Services (JJS) performance measures; provide updates on the development of the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), Utah State Board of Education, and Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) performance measures; and discuss agency reporting requirements.

The Data Working Group plans to share the finalized list of recommended performance measures at the September JJOC meeting for the Committee’s review and approval.

Communication Working Group
Jackie Chamberlain, working group chair, provided an update to JJOC members about the Communication Working Group’s second meeting on August 8, 2017. During the meeting the group reviewed the HB 239 website, reviewed and made revisions to materials that have been developed for the roadshow HB 239, logistic planning for the roadshow and discussed outreach opportunities with stakeholder groups impacted by HB 239.

Nonjudicial Adjustment Sliding Fee Scale Ad-Hoc Committee
Cuong Nguyen from the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice informed the JJOC that an ad-hoc committee has been created so the JJOC can assist the AOC with the development of the sliding fee scale for assessing nonjudicial adjustment fines and fees. A list of proposed committee members was shared with the JJOC and it was suggested that Dawn Marie Rubio should Chair the Nonjudicial Adjustment Sliding Fee Scale Committee. JJOC approved the Ad-Hoc Committee.

JJOC House Bill 239 Implementation Plan
Sarah Galgano from CJI shared with the JJOC that an implementation plan has been developed in partnership with CCJJ to track the progress that the JJOC makes in meeting its responsibilities under HB 239. The plan outlines the specific responsibilities of the JJOC and lists steps that have been or will be undertaken for each. The plan was developed as follow-up from the JJOC’s July meeting when it was discussed that there was a need to be able to track JJOC’s implementation progress. CCJJ and CJI will update the plan based on information shared during the JJOC meetings and meetings with individual agencies. The updated plan will be regularly shared with JJOC members.

House Bill 239 Roadshow
Cuong Nguyen has been working with JJOC members to schedule regional presentations about HB 239 for law enforcement and education stakeholders. The
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Presentations will include a review of findings that informed the education related policy changes in HB 239 and a questions and answers portion that allows JJOC members to answer audience questions. The panel will include JJOC members from CCJJ, JJS, AOC, Juvenile Courts, Utah State Board of Education (USBE), Utah Juvenile Defender Attorneys, and law enforcement. Presentations have been scheduled in the following locations:

- West Jordan City, August 23, 2017
- Ogden City, August 30, 2017
- Logan City, August 31, 2017
- Salt Lake City, August 31, 2017
- Provo City, September 6, 2017
- Cedar City, September 19, 2017
- St. George, September 20, 2017
- Vernal, September 26, 2017
- Blanding, September 27, 2017
- Richfield, September 28, 2017
- Sandy, November 9, 2017
- Ogden City, October 5, 2017

House Bill 239 Implementation Updates

Utah State Board of Education
Patty Norman provided the Committee with an overview of the programs that USBE will offer statewide. Ms. Norman also discussed the Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders Conference which will be held September 28 and 29 in St. George. The conference is funded by USBE and targets special education directors and student support services. Interested parties may reach out to Patty to register for the conference.

Administrative Office of the Courts
Dawn Marie Rubio from the AOC provided updates on the sliding scale fees, sanctions and incentives for compliant/non-compliant behavior, performance based contracting, and programs offered by the courts.

Ms. Rubio noted the creation of the sliding scale fee ad-hoc subcommittee, discussed above. She also informed the JJOC that the AOC plans to share example matrices, outlining responses to compliant and non-compliant behavior, with the Utah Sentencing Commission Juvenile Justice Subcommittee and Utah Board of Juvenile Justice (UBJJ). Additionally, the AOC plans to hire a financial analyst to assist with the implementation of performance based contracting. Ms. Rubio also shared documents created by the AOC and JJS that describe, by district, the types of programs and services offered by both agencies, along with contact information. The documents are close to being finalized but will be updated as programs change or expand. It will be uploaded onto the HB239 website justice.utah.gov/juvenile.

Department of Human Services
Ann Williamson informed the JJOC members that DHS is continuing to work on the agency’s performance based contracting system. On August 29, DHS will facilitate a meeting to plan for piloting performance based contracting with residential programs.

Susan Burke shared a PowerPoint presentation that outlined JJS practices and the types of services that JJS offers under each. The practices included:

- Youth Services and Receiving Centers
- Brief Community Intervention
- School-Based Services
- Detention and Home Detention
- In-home Observation and Assessment
- Residential Programs for Females
- Parole and Transition Services
- Day Skills Intervention
- Secure Care

Doug Thomas shared information about Substance Abuse and Mental Health’s (DSAMH) mobile crisis outreach teams, including where the teams are currently operating and the number of families that the programs served in FY2016. Mr. Thomas also shared information about DSAMH’s behavioral-

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1 Meeting dates and times are subject to change depending on the availability of presenters and panelists.
2 Presentation materials were emailed to Oversight Committee members on August 22, 2017.
3 Youth Mobile Crisis Teams in Davis, Salt Lake, Utah, Iron, and Washington Counties responded to 3,003 calls from 1,816 families in FY 2016.
health services and provided a handout that outlined the schools served in each district.

**Next Steps**
The next JJOC meeting will take place on September 18, 2017 at 1 p.m. at the Utah State Capitol Complex, Copper Room. The Data, Education, and Communication Working Groups will continue meeting and provide updates on activities at the next JJOC meeting.
On September 18, 2017 the Utah Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) convened for the fifth time in Salt Lake City. The meeting was led by Representative Lowry Snow, chair of the JJOC. The purpose of the meeting was to provide Committee Working Group updates; discuss the HB 239 annual report; present the HB 239 performance measures developed by the Data Working Group; update the JJOC on Juvenile Justice Service’s progress on developing a detention risk assessment tool; provide updates from JJOC member’s presentations to education and law enforcement stakeholders; and discuss potential amendments to HB 239.

Committee Working Group Updates

Education Working Group
The next education working group meeting is being scheduled for October 5, 2017.

Communication Working Group & Roadshow Presentations
Cuong Nguyen, shared with the JJOC that the communication working group has been helping coordinate the scheduling and delivery of local roadshows throughout the state that discuss the changes in HB 239 relevant to the education and law enforcement communities. Since August, presentations have been held in:
- West Jordan City, August 23, 2017
- Ogden City, August 30, 2017
- Logan City, August 31, 2017
- Salt Lake City, August 31, 2017
- Provo City, September 6, 2017

Additional presentations in various locations are scheduled for the following:
- Cedar City, September 19, 2017
- St. George, September 20, 2017
- St. George, September 25, 2017
- Vernal, September 26, 2017
- Blanding, September 27, 2017
- Richfield, September 28, 2017
- Ogden City (Northern Utah Gang Conf.) October 5, 2017
- Provo City (Utah School Counselor Association Conf.), October 13, 2017

Members suggested two additional communications materials be developed: a memo for School Resource Officers/Law Enforcement about the ways in which their duties and responsibilities are and are not impacted by HB 239. And, a document describing the process once a juvenile referral is made to court to help stakeholders and community members better understand the court process, including the nonjudicial process.

The next communication working group will be scheduled in October 2017.

Nonjudicial Adjustment Sliding Fee Scale Ad-Hoc Committee
Dawn Marie Rubio informed the JJOC that she will be emailing committee members to schedule the first meeting of the ad-hoc committee for late October.

System Mapping Working Group
Cuong Nguyen, CCJJ, informed the JJOC the System Mapping Working Group met for the first time on August 31st. The group discussed the governor’s Success Initiative and what an effective juvenile justice system should look like. The working group will meet again in October 2017.

House Bill 239 Annual Report
Ron Gordon, CCJJ, requested input from JJOC members about what should be included in the first HB 239 annual report, which is due during the
November interim legislative session. JJOC members proposed focusing on what the Committee has done, including:

- Accomplishments
- Materials that have been developed
- Education and law enforcement presentations
- JJOC working groups
- List of HB 239 performance measures

**House Bill 239 Performance Measures**

Ben Peterson, CCJJ, presented the JJOC with a draft list of performance measures that were developed by the Data Working Group. The list included measures from JJS and Division of Child and Family Services. CCJJ and the Crime and Justice Institute, technical assistance provider, will continue to work with the Administrative Office of the Courts to finish their draft performance measures. The data working group is continuing to work with the Utah State Board of Education (USBE), Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, and the Disproportionate Minority Contact Subcommittee to develop additional performance measures. It was suggested that the data working group consider examining high school graduation rates and recidivism for youth who are warned and released by law enforcement.

**Division of Juvenile Justice Services’ Detention Risk Assessment Tool**

Susan Burke (JJS), Ben Peterson (CCJJ), and Nathanael Adams (AOC), informed the JJOC that JJS’ Detention Risk Assessment Tool working group is in the early stages of developing a homegrown tool. The working group is in the process of identifying the best predictors of recidivism and failure to appear. Under HB 239, the effective date for the tool is July 2018.

**HB 239 Additional Amendments**

Representative Snow informed the JJOC that he is working with his staff to draft minor, clarifying changes to help with the implementation of HB 239. He will share with the JJOC once the clarifications are drafted. Additionally, Angie Oaks Stalling from USBE shared with committee members that USBE has been strategizing with Representative Snow to make changes about how Enhancements for At-Risk Students (EARS) money can be used. The EARS fund is approximately $25m that can currently be used fairly broadly by local schools. USBE and Representative Snow want to make an amendment about the use of EARS funds to allows schools to use the funds specifically for resources related to changes in HB239, including for programs and services to address truancy.

**Next Steps**

The next JJOC meeting will take place on October 16, 2017 at 1 p.m. at the Utah State Capitol Complex, Copper Room. The Data, Education, System Mapping and Communication Working Groups will continue meeting and provide updates on their activities at the next JJOC meeting.
On October 16, 2017 the Utah Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) convened for the sixth time in Salt Lake City. The meeting was led by Representative Lowry Snow, chair of the JJOC. The purpose of the meeting was to provide Committee Working Group updates; share overall feedback received at statewide “roadshows”; review a draft memo for School Resource Officers (SROs); and, review the draft annual report.

**Committee Working Group Updates**

**Education Working Group**
Patty Norman, chair of the Education Working Group, provided an update to the Committee. Members of the education working group, and the larger educator community, expressed an interest in receiving ‘model policies’ from various school districts across the state on how best to address behaviors that cannot be referred to court. The working group is also interested in exploring risk assessment tools that are used by school districts, to screen youth and inform preventative measures. Davis County has some innovative approaches that will be shared with members at the next meeting.

The next Education working group meeting was scheduled and held on October 17, 2017.

**Communication Working Group & Roadshow Presentations**
The communications working group has not had a meeting since August due to the roadshows taking place across the state all summer and into the fall. The working group plans to meet at the end of October and in the meantime are seeking input on revisions to the HB 239 website to make it as user-friendly as possible.

**Data Working Group**
The Data Working Group met on October 16, 2017 to review the summary of key performance measures related to HB 239. Ben Peterson, Chair of the group, reported that in collaboration with the Administrative Office of the Courts, Juvenile Justice Services and the Department of Child and Family Services, CCJJ compiled the updated key performance measures document. These measures will be regularly reviewed by the Data Working Group and updates will be routinely provided to the JJOC as well. Next year it is anticipated that these data will be included in the annual report. The JJOC collectively approved of the performance measures and the agencies will begin to share data by the end of October 2017 and quarterly thereafter.

The next Data Working Group meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2017.

**System Mapping Working Group**
No additional updates at this time as the group has not met since the last JJOC meeting.

The next System Mapping working group meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2017.

**Nonjudicial Adjustment Sliding Fee Scale Ad-Hoc Committee**
Dawn Marie Rubio, Chair of the ad-hoc committee, shared that committee members were being polled for a meeting date. In preparation for the upcoming meeting, the AOC is compiling research on the information the court gathered regarding sliding scales.

**Roadshows Report**
Cuong Nguyen from CCJJ provided a brief presentation summarizing the roadshows to date. There have been a total of 13 roadshows with nearly 420 attendees across all eight judicial
districts. Representative Lowry Snow and Ron Gordon from CCJJ attended many roadshows and all roadshows had representation from the Utah Juvenile Defender Attorney’s office, AOC, JJS, USBE and law enforcement. Audience members at the roadshows included law enforcement, school personnel and members of the community. Generally, support was expressed for the policy changes and requests were made for additional information on access to additional community-based programs and services. The feedback provided at the roadshows has been useful to inform the efforts of the various Committee working groups including the production of frequently asked questions documents, the School Offense Referral Guide, a memo for prosecutors and a memo for SROs.

An additional roadshow is scheduled with the Tribal Leaders Council on November 17, 2017.

**School Resource Officer Memo**
The JJOC reviewed a draft memo which describes what has and has not changed as a result of HB 239 regarding the role of School Resource Officers (SROs)/law enforcement related to offenses occurring on school property. Suggestions were made by members for technical clarifications to ensure the information is as clear as possible. An approved version of the memo was finalized and posted online on October 30, 2017.

**Annual Report**
Meeting attendees reviewed a draft of the annual report. Tessa Upin from the Crime and Justice Institute, technical assistance provider, explained the structure of the report and goal to summarize of all activities related to the implementation of HB 239 by the JJOC, the Committee working groups and individual agencies including the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, the Department of Human Services (including Juvenile Justice Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health and Division of Child and Family Services), Administrative Office of the Courts, and the Utah State Board of Education. The final version of the report will include numerous appendix with all JJOC meeting notes and materials produced by the JJOC and various working groups.

The report will be finalized in November 2017.

**Roundtable Discussion**
At the conclusion of the meeting, Representative Snow led a discussion with all members to hear general feedback on H.B. 239 implementation efforts or any other juvenile justice related topics. Highlights from the discussion included:

- October is Youth Justice Awareness Month (YJAM) and there are events taking place including a screening of the documentary “13th” and award ceremony with the theme Pipeline to Success: Celebrating Partnerships in Reform. The award ceremony will be held on Oct. 26, 2017 at the State Capitol in recognition of Representative Lowry Snow and Senator Todd Weiler as Youth Advocate of the Year for their legislative efforts to improve the juvenile justice system in Utah. Everyone is invited.
- Youth Courts around the state continue to have varying numbers of referrals
- Granite school district currently has five pilot sites (one high school and four junior high schools) working with JJS to implement the ADAPT program in schools
- There is a distinction between youth who are enrolled in Medicaid and those that are eligible for Medicaid as it relates to the completion of assessments by the Courts or JJS
- The Ute Tribe built a large juvenile detention center that is currently unoccupied; for anyone interested a tour of the facility is available
- It is beneficial for youth to know that everyone at the table for JJOC is to address issues that impact the lives of youth in the juvenile justice system
Next Steps
The next JJOC meeting will take place on
November 20, 2017 at 1 p.m. at the Juvenile
Justice Services Facility in Springville Utah, 205
West 900 North, Springville, Utah 84663. The
Committee working groups will continue meeting
and provide updates on their activities at the
next JJOC meeting.