

**Utah Board of Juvenile Justice**

**MINUTES**

<b>Committee:</b>	<b>UBJJ MEETING</b>
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<b>Date:</b>	Friday, February 27, 2004	<b>Time:</b>	8:30am – 10:30am	<b>Place:</b>	SL Co Youth Services 177 W Price Ave
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<b>Members Present</b>	Gary Anderson, Pat Berckman, Leslie D. Brown, Andria Burton, Adam Cohen, Gary Dalton, Michael D. Di Reda, Nap Hagood, Willard Malmstrom, Carol Page, Fred W. Peake, Debbie Rocha, Paul Tsosie, Russ Van Vleet
<b>Members Excused</b>	Tonia Hashimoto, Kritsana Imvitaya, Jennifer Jolley, Holly Martak, Huy D. Nguyen
<b>Staff &amp; Visitors</b>	Reg Garff, Jo Lynn Kruse. Visitors: Kevin Lolofie, Ray Wahl

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	<b>Welcome and Chair's Report</b>
Notes:	Gary Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	<b>Committee Reports</b>
Notes:	<p>Pre-Adjudicated Committee – Fred Peake Nothing to report.</p> <p>Post-Adjudicated Committee – Mike Di Reda Nothing to report.</p> <p>Youth Committee/<i>Do the Write Thing</i> – Jennifer Jolley absent. Reg Garff reports that <i>Do the Write Thing</i> campaign is nearing completion. Over a thousand essays were written this year and more than 1300 Utah children participating in discussions regarding youth violence. About half of the respondents this year utilized the internet to download DTWT information and materials, which saved us on postage and supplies. Governor Olene S. Walker has agreed to speak at the awards luncheon on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and if she has to be out of town for any reason, the Lt. Governor has agreed to speak. Please plan on the UBJJ meeting just prior to the DTWT event, at 10:00am that day in the Governor's Mansion. We are close to getting a sponsor to cover the cost of the luncheon. We've had great support from Barnes Bank and the Beesley's. Our office (CCJJ) received 99 entries this year. Debbie Rocha suggested contacting the Youth in Custody Coordinator for each district next year to ensure wider participation.</p> <p>Title V Committee – Carol Page Nothing to report.</p> <p>Legislative Update – Carol Page We're watching HB 54, videotape of minors closely. HB 266, Revisions to Child Welfare, passed the House last night. Carol suggests that the board spend a significant amount of time next year preparing for the legislative session. Gary Anderson added that we have a new lobbying restriction out of OJJDP based on a law passed by Congress in 2002. We have to be careful about how we lobby and cannot use any federal funds to lobby for anything. There is a potential fine of \$10,000-\$100,000 for each violation. You, as individual, may lobby, unless your salary is from federal funds. Carol pointed out that some of the DTWT stories are prime examples of the good that DCFS does and that we need to be better at presenting that story.</p>

	<p>DMC Report – Nap Hagood</p> <p>The DMC canceled the February meeting and will meet in March instead. Work on the wording on the RFP continues. They are still monitoring racial and ethnic data once a month to ensure that it is being done. Work continues with the Spanish translation of the tape for the courts. Nap and Debbie are both retiring from the DMC and a new chairperson is needed. Gary Anderson asked Paul Tsosie to serve on that committee. Please let Reg know if you have any suggestions for replacements and a chair on that committee.</p>
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<b>Agenda Item:</b>	<b>CJJ Membership Discussion</b>
Notes:	<p>CJJ’s funding has been cut and there is a new FAC (Federal Advisory Committee). That committee is made up of one designated person from each state. OJJDP wants them to take the place of CJJ in the advisory role. Gary Anderson recently attended a meeting in Alabama. With CJJ’s budget cut, training is also cut for this year. If you want to attend, you will have to attend another region. Dues have been raised from \$2000 to \$5000 this year and fewer services are being offered.</p> <p>UBJJ needs to decide whether to pay the dues or not. Only sixteen states have paid their dues, with another six committing to pay. In the western region, those that have paid are Oregon, Idaho, New Mexico, Arizona, Hawaii and Alaska. Those that have not yet paid Colorado, Nevada and Utah. Those who are definitely not going to pay are Texas, California, Delaware and Georgia. California has dissolved their SAG. There is concern that CJJ is driven by a few instead of many. The Board also questioned the validity of the research presented in the annual reports. It is also apparent that CJJ has become somewhat ineffective in Washington. If we opt out of CJJ, there are other organizations we can join.</p> <p>Carol Page made the <b>motion</b> that we decline to pay CJJ and state that we are dissatisfied with the direction they are going. Also UBJJ would like Gary Anderson to pen a letter and include a statement about our dissatisfaction with the service they have given, and their misquoting Russ Van Vleet’s research and send a copy to all the SAG chairs. Russ Van Vleet <b>seconded</b> the motion and it <b>passed unanimously</b>. Gary Dalton will pen the letter and email it to the board for approval.</p>

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	<b>Sanpete Academy – Ray Wahl</b>
Notes:	<p>The Sanpete Day Treatment Center helps about thirty families per year costing approximately \$35,000 per year. Functional Family Therapy (FFT) is used to treat seriously delinquent kids. Referrals began in November 2003. So far eight families have been referred with four having completed the program. The program lasts twelve weeks. One parent remarked, “it is the first thing that seemed to work with their relationship.” Sanpete Academy also performs evaluations for probation officers. These officers have witnessed “individual and family change” in participants.</p> <p>Funding of the Sanpete Day Treatment Center was a priority of the Judicial Council and it is number twelve on the “wish list of all the agencies” the sub appropriation committee created that went to Executive Appropriations. If the Center is not funded, they ask UBJJ to consider continuing the funding of the FFT in the amount of \$35,000. Sanpete Academy thanks UBJJ for funding this project, which has made a world of difference in the lives of those eight families.</p>

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	<b>Intake Project – Kevin Lolofie</b>
Notes:	<p>Kevin Lolofie is the managing general partner for a charter school for troubled youth. He is presently working on several long-term projects over the next two to three years. Their mission is to provide services through educational and therapeutic settings to improve skills for kids and families within the Third District Juvenile Court. Their business model has been to fill in the gaps in the services that identified in their relationships with probation officers. Services include math and reading programs during the summer and a life skills class for parents. There are presently 40 kids on probation in his office and Kevin asks UBJJ to look at possible future funding possibilities.</p>

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	<b>Juvenile Justice Specialist Report</b>
Notes:	<p>Budget – There is \$415 left of the 2001 money. 2002 is down to \$3699. With regard to the 2003 budget, we funded Sandy City Police Dept to provide a social worker that deals with children who have viewed domestic violence. They were never able to get that going and will not use the allocation of \$45,000. Their intent is to reapply in the 2005 budget year. That leaves us with \$62,228 in 2003.</p> <p>Site visit reviews and assignments – Pat Berckman and Debbie Rocha are scheduled for March. Judge Brown and Russ Van Vleet plan to visit LEMY. Reg encouraged board members to attend the Troubled Youth Conference coming up in May.</p> <p>Board Vacancies – We need to fill a command level police officer, an elected official and a non-government employee citizen.</p> <p>Review 2004, Title II RFP, FAC Update – The most critical changes are on the first page and the last two pages. We’re trying to get better quality applicants. Ten percent of the grant score is now based on how the subgrantee addresses DMC. Please review the RFP today and if Reg doesn’t hear from the board by phone or email in the next seven days, he will consider it approved. Reg will then contact the executive committee if there are additions or deletions.</p> <p>Federal Advisory Committee Update – In the past we have contacted our federal legislators to let them know what we’re doing. Presently OJJDP considers lobbying and educating as one in the same. The changes in the Federal Advisory Committee are coming down through national legislation that was passed in 2002, which now prohibits any kind of contact with a government entity in an attempt to sway opinion using federal funds. We need an opinion from our Attorney General office on how that impacts us. Once we get an opinion from our AG’s office we should send a letter to OJJDP.</p>

**The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 26th at the Human Services Building on 1385 South State Street, Rm. 328.**

**Minutes prepared by Jo Lynn Kruse - Executive Secretary, CCJJ**