



**Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission
DMC/Compliance Committee
Meeting Minutes**

**June 24, 2016
2:00 p.m.
1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230
Phoenix, Arizona 85007**

A meeting of the Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission (Commission) DMC/Compliance Committee convened on June 24, 2016 at the Executive Tower, 1700 W. Washington Street, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members:

Members Present	
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Helen Gandara, Chair	Don Walker
Alice Levesque	Robert Thomas
David Redpath	

Staff/Guests Present	Members Absent
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Steve Selover, GOYFF	Jennifer Ortiz Dennis Pickering
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A. Call to Order

Ms. Helen Gandara called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

B. Welcome/Introductions

Ms. Gandara requested introductions by all present.

C. Minutes Approval

Ms. Alice Levesque moved to approve the minutes as stated. Mr. Robert Thomas seconded. Motion carried.

D. Collaboration with Local DMC Committees

Ms. Gandara opened the discussion by asking Mr. David Redpath his view of the Arizona JDAI (Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative) Advisory Committee's response to the proposal by Ms. Gandara and Mr. Steve Selover to collaborate with county-level DMC workgroups. Mr. Redpath stated there was an overall positive reaction to working with the DMC/Compliance Committee to address DMC at the local level; however, some county DMC committees are less active than others. Therefore, collaborating with the smaller workgroups may require a site visit to facilitate positive rapport and communication. Mr. Selover will follow up with the state JDAI coordinators to schedule meetings with county DMC workgroups to gather information on DMC initiatives, evaluation and needs.

Dr. Robert Thomas suggested the DMC/Compliance Committee document each county's most pressing DMC challenge. Dr. Thomas stated that accomplishing this objective will be a good first step to determining how the Committee can support local DMC efforts. Ms. Alice

Levesque agreed and proposed beginning this process with the JDAI counties, connecting first with the standing DMC workgroups.

E. Law Enforcement Training

Mr. Selover relayed highlights from a conversation by Capt. Paul Sayre from the Tucson Police Department who advocates the revision of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training (AZPOST) board training curriculum covering juvenile arrest procedures to better align with current research on brain development and trauma. Ms. Gandara noted that altering this curriculum will be challenging since the Commission has no legal authority to do so. Ms. Gandara recommended she form a subcommittee that includes law enforcement personnel to discuss the navigation of proposing an update to the AZPOST curriculum, with the intent to make recommendations to the board.

Mr. Selover stated the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) is requiring states report data based on a new definition of detained. Guidance on how states should collect data based this revised definition is still pending. Therefore, training to law enforcement on the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Act will be postponed until instructions are issued to the states by the OJJDP.

F. OJJDP Compliance Report Update

Mr. Selover advised that the OJJDP is requiring states to report jail removal and separation compliance violations based on defining detained to include youth who feel they are not free to leave the facility in which they are held. Previously, detained was determined by documenting whether the subject was held securely or non-securely. The OJJDP has not yet provided guidance to the states on how this information should be collected given that the new definition appears to require knowledge of the detainee's perspective rather than utilization of an objective standard. Mr. Selover advised the new guidance will be shared to the Committee once it is disseminated to the state juvenile justice specialists.

G. Adjournment

Ms. Gandara adjourned the meeting at 2:59 p.m.