**Meeting Minutes**

**Commission:** Lt. Governor Spencer Cox, Jon Pierpont, Joe Miner, Ann Williamson, Scott Jones for Sydnee Dickson, Aaron Peterson  
**Committee:** William Duncan, Terry Haven for Lincoln Nehring, Aimee Winder Newton, Rev. Steven Klemz, Dr. Roy Neal Davis  
**Staff Support:** Liz Radley, Tracy Gruber, Montana Meyers  
**Attendees:** Carrie Mayne, Heather Barnum, William Cosgrove, Britnee Johnston, Victor Iverson, Sheila Walsh-McDonald, Tami Pyfer, Nate MacDonald, Maddy Oritt, Greg Paras, Taylor Ricks, TJ Seegmiller, Jennifer Throndsen, Bill Tibbitts, Liz Carver, Greg Paras, Representative Lowry Snow, Kim Cordova  
**On-Phone Attendees:** Bishop H. David Burton, Ann Williamson, Representative Ward

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<td>Welcome, Approval of Minutes, and Opening Business</td>
<td>Lt. Governor Spencer Cox welcomed the group. Approval of prior minutes. Introductions were made.</td>
<td>Joe Miner motioned to approve the minutes as written. Jon Pierpont seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.</td>
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| Advisory Committee Vacancy | a. Advocacy Group that Focuses on Childhood Poverty  
   i. Lt. Governor indicated they have a few resumes, Commission is recommending the appointment of Jennifer Godfrey. Jennifer Godfrey is with Utah Community Action, & Director of Head Start.  
   a. Lt. Governor called for a motion to appoint Jennifer Godfrey. Bishop Burton motioned to approve, Dr. Joe Miner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. | Lt. Governor called for a motion to appoint Jennifer Godfrey. Bishop Burton motioned to approved, Dr. Joe Miner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. |
| 2019 IGP Annual Report | a. IGP Annual Report  
   i. Jon Pierpont indicated they are interested in doing some deeper research for this upcoming report. Jon Pierpont stated they are hopeful approach will get aligned with reaching goals of the commission.  
   ii. Tracy Gruber explained they have been doing comprehensive data analysis in partnership with data staff and looking at all areas of child well-being that are the focus of the Intergenerational Poverty Group. Tracy explained they feel it is a good opportunity to get a |
more narrow focus on research. They will be locking in a group of individuals that they will be tracking. Will be scheduling a meeting with research subcommittee.

iii. Carrie Mayne indicated each time they have produced a report they take a look at last year’s IGP picture. Each year it is a new picture with a new set of individuals and because of that it didn’t allow a longitudinal time series. They will be going back to 2013, grab that cohort and stay with those individuals to look at and track their public assistance usage up through most recent data, which will allow longitudinal trend analysis. They will then provide that cohort to agencies to have each agency do their analysis. The template will be broad, which will allow agencies to determine what analysis they want to be doing.

iv. Tracy explained biggest contrast is in the past they gave the data and told them the analysis they wanted. Now they are giving them the cohort and allowing agencies to run their own analysis. In terms of online data dashboards will also be adjusted to track this cohort as well. Any rule change the agency puts in place we’d still be able to track that data. Meeting with research subcommittee will be in two weeks.

| Juvenile Justice Reform Update | a. Representative Lowry Snow referred to power point reviewing policies and explained the timeline from the power point. HB239 was passed and signed into law March of 2017. Utah Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee was established May 2017. As of July 1, 2018 all policies of reform were in effect. Rep. Lowry Snow indicated they learned that when youth are diverted from the formal court system and detention have better outcomes. Non-felonies account for most types of out-of-home placement.  
| | i. Kim Cordova (Dir. of Commission on Juvenile Justice) explained the progress. Kim explained the establishment of the Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee, which includes Representative Snow, Courts, Juvenile Justice Systems, and Ann Williamson. Juvenile Justice Systems has done a lot of the heavy lifting with this. One of the bills going through is to make sure that all children have legal representation when they step into the court room. Right now that isn’t the case; currently it is based on the level of offense. This new legislation will hopefully ensure that any child will have legal representation and advocacy for all children. Kim continued to |
explain with this preventative progress, they are hopeful that youth wouldn’t continue down path they may have otherwise. They do not want youth to go into the system. Kim explained it costs less for a probation officer to supervise the child in their home rather than to have them supervise them in a foster care, proctor care. Kim expressed they are continuing to try to work across the state to provide resources to youth, law enforcements, schools, communities & will come wherever they are needed, State wide.  

ii. Tracy Gruber indicated the data they have for IGP there is overlap of children experiences IGP are also tied in with the juvenile justice courts. Tracy asked because it’s a complex web of issues, if evidence based practices are looking at the adults that are in the children’s lives. Kim explained that is part of the social history of the youth and that establishes their risk level. Exposure and support a child has in the home is usually the source of the behavior. Part of what they are doing with truancy to allow for more accountability, is that with hb 232 adjusted and now schools can refer some cases to juvenile court. Now a person from the school, youth, family member ALL have to come to the court for further resources/programs available. Also Kim indicated children with parents whom are incarcerated.  

iii. Dr. Miner requested more peer support within the school system, to pitch good behavior instruction. Could be $64 return for every $1 invested, 50% less suicide. “Good Behavior Game Instruction.  

iv. Lt. Governor thanked Representative Snow and wants to continue working to improve the lives of our children.

### 2019 Legislative Review

**a. Early Childhood Coordination Amendments (Representative Snow)**

i. Representative Snow indicated young children 3-4 not in preschools 58% not involved, 42% are involved in it. Demographics have changed in Utah. Purpose of the commission is to facilitate for parents that need help access to help. HB47 (Early Childhood Coordination Amendment). It establishes a Commission under the Governor’s office. Lt. Governor chairing the Commission. Made of up Department Heads (Workforce Services, DHS, and Dept. of Health). Supported by another body, Advisory Group comes under Dept. of Health. All rules will come from the Advisory group. Will make reports and recommendations to the Commission, who will 1.5 page handout (get name). Lt. Governor called
take those reports and recommendations to Legislation. Duties of the Commission are to support Utah Parents and Families.

ii. Lt. Gov. referred to handout 1.5 page handout regarding Summary and how it aligns with goals. LG called for a motion of support. Miner moved to support, Seconded on the phone?? Motion carries unanimously. (letter will get drafted)

b. College Savings through Earned Income Tax Credit (Representative Thurston)
   i. Goal of the Intergenerational Poverty Effort is to break the cycle. Proposal came up this summer regarding the Income Tax Credit, focus it on Intergenerational Families. Representative Thurston referred to the slide show. He explained the behavior changes that matter.
   ii. Proposed Qualifications; must qualify and apply for Federal EITC, Must open and fund a 529 Education Saving Plan- Federal EITC money can be used to fund 529 plan, Should receive financial counseling.
   iii. Lt. Governor suggested once they have a draft bill, bring it to the committee for a motion/vote. Representative Thurston said it’s a program with a purpose to break the cycle of Poverty.
   iv. Representative Thurston answered Jon Pierpont’s question that the folks over the fund are excited for more people to hear about it and to see it moving forward.

c. School Counselor Funding (Representative Ward)
   i. Representative Ward explained Student and School Safety Assessment and requesting $30.78 million in ongoing funds and $1.05 million in one-time funds to implement school based collaborative threat assessment and student support teams which would include school based mental health specialists and individuals with expertise in instruction, student privacy, school administration, and law enforcement. Teams would identify and review incidents of threatening behavior and triage and intervene, if necessary, in situations where a student or other individual may be at risk of harming themselves or others or in need of physical or emotional support, HB 220. Lt. Governor noted funding for this is in the Governor’s Budget and the Governor has been adamant on increasing that.

for a motion to support. Dr. Joe Minder motioned to support. Ann Williamson seconded the motion and the motioned passed unanimously. Lt. Governor indicated the letter will get drafted and out to Representative Snow.

Representative Thurston referred to his Intergenerational Poverty Slide show

Representative Thurston to draft Legislation and bring it to the board.

Lt. Governor called for a motion to support this
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<td>ii.</td>
<td>Lt. Governor entertained a motion to support this bill. Jon Pierpont motioned to support HB 220. Dr. Joe Miner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. A letter will be drafted to Representative Ward, showing support from commission.</td>
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<td>Governor’s Budget (Tami Pyfer) - Tami Pyfer mentioned another bill that mentions the same thing as Representative Ward’s bill, but indicated the Governor is supporting both of them, as long as the money gets into the schools.</td>
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<td>i. Tami referred to the Utah Education Roadmap booklet in reference to the budget. 4 main areas of focus; Ensuring Early Learning, Supporting and Strengthening Educators, Ensuring Access and Equity and Completing Certificates and Degrees. Tami went on to explain in regards to School Counseling, Teachers are being asked to do more. The Governor’s budget has put in $31.7 million. Add on for student at risk of academic failure. Enhancement for at risk students, $10 million for student with IGP. They are asking for another $15.2 million, which would bring it up to $65-70 million now. This will allow school to decipher/use to students at risk.</td>
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<td>ii. New money from property tax revenue, flex $18.7 million coming in because last year they voted to freeze the rate so as property values increase, so will those funds. This can be used for local priorities.</td>
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<td>iii. Higher Education: Through the Governor’s budget, one of the ways trying to increase equity to IGP access to higher education is difficult. Proposed $50 million to students in need.</td>
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<td>i. $6 million in College advisor core to recently graduated. Near peers counselor to help students get to college. Education is crucial in pulling people out of poverty.</td>
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