## Idaho Criminal Justice Commission Regular Meeting

Feb. 23, 2024

**Location: In Person – Local Government Center** 

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

#### **Idaho Criminal Justice Commission Members Present:**

Ashley Dowell, Chair, Comm of Pardons & Parole Dave Jeppesen, Health & Welfare Denton Darrington, Public Member

Jonathon Brody, Judge, District Court

Kedrick Wills, Idaho State Police Erik Lehtinen, SAPD Joshua Hurwit, U.S. Attorney, District of Idaho Marianne King, Office of Drug Policy Monty Prow, IDJC Seth Grigg, Idaho Association of Counties

Comprising a quorum of Idaho Criminal Justice Commission (Commission)

#### Idaho Criminal Justice Commission Members Absent

Josh Tewalt, Department of Correction Melissa Wintrow, Senate Judiciary & Rule Grant Loebs, Prosecuting Attorneys Assoc. Daniel Chadwick, Vice Chair, Public Member Darren Simpson, Judge, District Court Jeff Nye, Idaho Attorney General's Office Chris Mathias, House Jud, Rules & Admin Kathleen Elliott, Public Defense Commission Bruce Skaug, House Jud & Rules Admin Thomas Sullivan, Judge, Magistrate Court Greg Wilson, Department of Education Todd Lakey, Senate Judiciary & Rules Chairman Kieran Donahue, Idaho Sheriffs Association Tracy Basterrechea, Chiefs of Police Association Bernadette LaSarte, Public Member Sara Omundson, Idaho Supreme Court Jared Larsen, Office of the Governor

### **Others Present:**

	Agenda Who's Responsible	Meeting Outcomes/Decisions Reached	<b>Due Date</b>
9:00 am	Call to Order– Chair Ashley Dowell		
(5 min)	Welcome and Roll Call— Chair Ashley Dowell	Chair Ashley Dowell called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.	
	Commission Management		
9:05 pm (5 min)	Action Item – Approve January 2024 Minutes	Not enough in quorum to approve minutes.	
	Strategic Planning Discussion	Update strategic plan to better represent the goal of the commission. No meeting next month in March. Will start strategic planning in April and potentially send out a survey for the Idaho Behavioral Health Council <i>dependent</i> upon discussion within the strategic planning in April (survey won't be sent out until this discussion takes place).	
	Promote Well-Informed Policy Decisions		
9:10 pm (1.5 hr.)	Fentanyl and Youth – Greg Wilson, SDE; Monty Prow, IDJC; Morgan Ballis, Hailey Police Department/Blaine County School District	<ul> <li>Fentanyl and Youth – Greg Wilson, SDE; Monty Prow, IDJC Presentation</li> <li>95% of justice involved juveniles never step through IDJC's doors. Counties work in conjunction with the State to work with juveniles in the system. Investments across the system for prevention and intervention in schools, courts, SRO's, ODP, probation, etc., have reduced arrest rates.</li> <li>74% of justice involved juveniles in IDJC custody are abusing substances. Substance abuse 'preference' of fentanyl continues to climb among justice involved juveniles.</li> <li>98% of children in Idaho never come into contact with the juvenile justice system because of efficient and effective prevention and intervention tactics put in place in various systems in Idaho.</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Recidivism has been relatively flat in Idaho for the past decade (22-28%)</li> <li>Substance abuse tends to lead to recidivism (26.9% of IDJC</li> </ul>	
		commitments who recidivate; their most severe crime is D&A. 6.3% of IDJC commitments most severe committed crime is D&A.	

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	IDA-SRO Presentation – Stu Hobson: Idaho School Safety & Security Program	
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	Idaho Department of Education Presentation: Scott Graf, Communications	
	<u>Director</u>	
	- <u>Fentanyl Involvement Timeline</u>	
	Jan 2023 – New Administration.	
	Feb 2023 – Meet with U.S. Attorney Hurwit to discuss student safety	
	issues.	
	March 2023 – Millenium Fund Committee discussions begin.	
	<b>Spring 2023</b> – Conversation continues; decision is made to focus on one issue: fentanyl.	
	<b>Summer 2023</b> – Working group established and membership grows. The first meeting was held in September 2023.	
	Working Group – Idaho State Police, U.S. Attorney's Office, Idaho Office of Drug Policy, U.S. Drug Enforcement Admin, Idaho School Counselor Association.	
	Timeline continued  Fall 2023 – Action item: focus on partnership and scope up existing in school program.  Late Fall 2023 – Continue discussion with Millenium Fund Committee and incorporate member feedback into proposal.  Winter 2023-24 – Action item: Focus on 2024 survey of adults in education.  Feb 2024 – Millenium Fund Committee proposal finalized and approved by JFAC.  March 2024 – Survey work to begin.	
	- Department focus for substance abuse: Prevention, Response, Training	
	<ul> <li>Partnership with ISP</li> <li>Outreach and Education (school &amp; community events in the state)</li> <li>Community and School District Support: financial support for community/school events</li> </ul>	

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		<ul> <li>2024 Fentanyl Survey</li> <li>Who? - Rathbone Falvey Research: Boise based research firm experienced in public sector surveys, including opioid work in Idaho.</li> <li>What? - Survey of adults in Idaho education to better assess the threat in schools and communities.</li> <li>When? - Begin in Spring 2024, results in Summer 2024.</li> <li>Where? - Statewide effort to approach all schools to fully understand the issue across regional rural/urban segments.</li> <li>Why? - Feedback informs next steps, allows programs to address needs identified, and increases effectiveness of work being done.</li> </ul>	
10:40 am (10 min)	Break		
10:50 am (1 hr.)	Phase I/II of the Fentanyl Takes All, Fentanyl Education Project— Jess Stennett, ISP; Marianne King, ODP	<ul> <li>Where is Fentanyl Coming From?</li> <li>Mainly manufactured in China, then and shipped to Mexico.</li> <li>"No two cookies are the same" example. "Each cookie has a different number of chocolate chips". Similarly, poorly manufactured fentanyl pills made in illegal labs often contain varying amounts of fentanyl. Entirely possible that one half of a pill could contain very little fentanyl while the other half contains a deadly amount for multiple people.</li> <li>Pills come in varying forms, colors, etc.</li> <li>In 2022, Idaho State Police Forensic Services found Fentanyl in all classes of "street drugs", including marijuana &amp; paraphernalia.</li> <li>Fentanyl poisoning deaths increased 133% for teens ages 14-18 in 2021 while actual drug use by teens is DOWN.</li> <li>77% of all teenage overdose deaths were from Fentanyl poisoning.</li> </ul>	

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	- Fentanyl is now the #1 cause of death for Americans ages 18-45 years old. (175 people die from Fentanyl poisoning every day in the U.S., though this number is likely even higher now)	
	More Information www.fentanyltakesall.org	
	www.naturalhigh.org	
	<ul> <li>Fentanyl Takes All Phase II</li> <li>Where it started (Phase I) Key Messages: All it takes is one use to kill you. Choose not to risk it by being aware, having conversations, and getting the facts.</li> <li>Reality: 6 of 10 pills that contain fentanyl have a lethal dose. 381 Idaho lives lost from drug overdoses in 2022.</li> <li>Teens and young adults' knowledge about fentanyl is increasing (62% and 70% respectively) but there is still room for improvement.</li> <li>Parents and caregivers' knowledge is at 77%.</li> <li>Where We Are Today – Phase II Key Messages: Real vs. Fake prescription pills. Fake often contains fentanyl, often a lethal dose.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Reality – 7 in 10 pills now contain deadly amounts of fentanyl.</li> <li>Men aged 25-34 are most likely among all age groups to die from fentanyl. Using ESPN as a media consideration to target this audience about Fentanyl awareness.</li> <li>Using social media platforms accordingly to target teens and young adults depending upon the most commonly used and most often used platforms.</li> <li>Billboards along Idaho highways advertising Fentanyl awareness.</li> </ul>	

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		- Radio PSA service announcements.	
12:00 pm	Adjournment	Kedrick Wills adjourned meeting at 11:38 a.m.	

Next regularly scheduled meeting to be held in Boise, Friday, April 26, 2024

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