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**Utah Prosecution Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday – January 14, 2025, 9:00 a.m.**  
**5272 S College Dr**  
**West Training Room**

**Pending Minutes**

- Present:** Ed Montgomery, City of South Jordan, UPC Chair (In person)  
Samantha Smith, Bluffdale City Assistant Attorney (In person)  
Brett Robinson, Chief Policy Advisor, Salt Lake County District Attorney  
(*designee of Sim Gill, Salt Lake County District Attorney*) (In person)  
Robert Van Dyke, Kane County Attorney (In person)  
Randall McUne, Cedar City Attorney (In person)  
Jeff Gray, Utah County Attorney (In person)  
Stew Young, Chief Criminal Deputy, Utah Attorney General’s Office (In person)  
Stephen Foote, Duchesne County Attorney (In person)
- Excused:** Jess L. Anderson, Utah Commissioner of Public Safety  
Derek Brown, Utah Attorney General  
Sim Gill, Salt Lake County District Attorney  
Troy Rawlings, Davis County Attorney  
Karyn Walker, UPAA Chair, Provo City Attorney’s Office
- Guests:** Jeff Buhmann, SWAP (In person)  
Ryan McBride, Utah County Attorney’s Office (In person)

**1. WELCOME**

- a. Council members were welcomed

**2. MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING**

- a. Ed Montgomery made the motion to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2024 meeting. Randall McUne seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**3. FY25 BUDGET REVIEW/DV RESOURCE PROSECUTOR**

- a. Robert Church discussed the need for hiring a full-time DV Resource Prosecutor  
b. Finding the funding for a full-time DV Resource Prosecutor has posed some challenges:

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- i. Discussions with the Executive Appropriation Committee to fund all/partial amount of salary/traveling/etc for a DVRP
- ii. Grant funding from UOVC, but a grant-funded position might not attract the most qualified people
- c. Suggested to start the position with grant funding, use those two years to show the legislature how important this position is with statistics
- d. A meeting with the lieutenant governor might prove helpful

#### **4. COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP ISSUES**

- a. Welcomed Stew Young, Chief Criminal Deputy, Utah Attorney General's Office.
- b. In need of chair-elect that would take over responsibilities in September of Ed Montgomery, chair – preferably a county attorney.
- c. Rob Van Dyke moved to extend Ed's term for two more years. Stephen Foote seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- d. Will discuss again as we go into the county attorney election cycle

#### **5. 2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

- a. Rep Ivory running HB 66 – ritual abuse
  - i. Training on sexual abuse/sexual assault during a ritual. We need to get trained and develop the training ourselves.
  - ii. Do we have room to put it in DV Boot Camp? If it's a multiple-hour training, no. If it can be a passing comment, yes.

#### **6. TRAINING COMMITTEE**

- a. Fall Conference was great
- b. UPC is no longer sponsoring Civil Conference. We will offer council and guidance but no longer sponsor the conference.
- c. Advanced Trial Skills
  - i. Held around the same time as Civil, Hilton Garden Inn, in St. George, Oct 21 – 24
- d. DUI Boot Camp
  - i. A good mix, around 18 people
  - ii. First conference went great
- e. New County Attorney Training
  - i. Is there anything you want to know as a county attorney?
  - ii. Maybe some training with next fall UCDA
  - iii. Class would be better before taking office, move from January to December or November (after the election)

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**7. ePROSECUTOR**

- a. Ron discussed eProsecutor
- b. Plans to get everyone started before the end of the year

**8. UPAA**

- a. Updated membership terms
- b. Two new members: Maren Gazaway from Lehi City and Kimberly Payne from Morgan County
- c. Kaylee Atkinson and Kathy Locher voted to extend their term
- d. UPAA Conference will be held June 11 – 13 at Kanab conference center
- e. CUPA test was updated. Sample out a few questions from the CUPA test to test attorneys at Fall/UMPA conference.
- f. Nominations for assistant of the year held at the same time as nominations for prosecutor of the year.

**9. RESOURCE PROSECUTORS**

- a. Trent had over 400 hours and 4000 participants over the past year
- b. Another DV Boot Camp will be held in October
- c. Trent is holding a full day of DV/SA training in Provo the Wednesday before Spring conference.
- d. Trent can provide 1 on 1 to specific people if needed

**10. MULTI-STATE JOB FAIR**

- a. Bob is going to Colorado to participate in the job fair and set up a table the Saturday after Spring conference.
- b. We are reaching out to law schools to see if law students want to participate

**11. PROSECUTOR OF THE YEAR**

- a. Applications will open by the end of the month, an award committee will review

**12. ATTORNEY GENERAL TRANSITION TEAM**

- a. Positive experience with the transition team
- b. We expect a much healthier relationship with the AG's Office moving forward

**13. NEXT MEETING**

- a. April 16, 2024 – day before Spring Conference
- b. UPC @ 9 – 10:30, SWAP @ 10:30

**14. ADJOURN**