

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE CORRECTIONS
JUVENILE TRAINING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 7, 2026

Location:

POST Academy – Plott Conference Room (Building 3) – 700 S Stratford Dr., Meridian, ID; Or, virtually at:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/261304958997814?p=ZejefBEcwdhlzAs69n>

Time: 2:00PM – 4:00PM MT

Members Present

Voting Members:

- Brent Reinke, Commissioner, Twin Falls County (Chair)
- Sean Brown, Director, SWIJDC (Vice Chair)
- Jay Davis, Captain, Blaine Co. Sheriff’s Office
- Ashley Dowell, IDJC Director
- Shawn Hill, Bingham County Probation Services
- Judge Victoria Olds

Ex-officio Members:

- Matt Heuring, IDJC/POST Acad. Coord.
- Leahann Romero, COPS Administrator
- Audrey McKay, POST
- Paul Shepherd, ISC

Others

- IDJC Fiscal Representative (Kim May)
- Others: Marissa Evans (IDJC)

Note: The order of the agenda items is subject to change.

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| Open | Call to Order and Roll Call of attendees | Council Chair Brent Reinke called the meeting to order at 2:01PM Matt Heuring conducted roll call of Juvenile Training Council voting members, ex-officio members, and others present. Attendance is indicated above. | Council Chair | |
| Discussion | Financial report for POST budgets | Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections Fiscal Manager Kim May reviewed the current status of POST budgets. Each of the three funds discussed are below spending limits with no specific concerns to note at this time. No questions from the Council. | IDJC Fiscal Rep | |
| Action Item | Approve membership renewals (Sean Brown, Jay Davis, Judge Olds, Leahann Romero, Audrey McKay) | Council Chair Brent Reinke asked for a motion to approve the reappointment of voting members Sean Brown, Jay Davis, Judge Victoria Olds, and Ex-officio members Leahann Romero and Audrey McKay as one consent vote. Motioned: Ashley Dowell Seconded: Shawn Hill No discussion needed. All in favor – motion passes unanimously. <i>The respective voting members and Ex-officio members will serve an</i> | Council Chair | |

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| | | <i>additional three-year term. The Council Secretary will update the JTC roster with term memberships not to exceed 05/07/2029.</i> | | |
| Action Item | Vote to designate IDJC Headquarters as principle meeting location | <p>Matt Heuring and Marissa Evans from IDJC reported this action item is a measure seeking alignment with all other IDJC sponsored/led committees in the interest of best practices relative to Idaho Open Meeting Laws. JTC meeting notices and agendas will be posted at the principle location and at the location of the meeting. There will be no other discernable change to the order of business of the JTC.</p> <p>Motion: Shawn Hill Seconded: Ashley Dowell No discussion needed. All in favor – motion passes unanimously. <i>The Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections Headquarters at 954 W Jefferson St. Boise, ID 83702 will henceforth be the principle meeting location for the Juvenile Training Council. Meetings may be held at other locations as necessary.</i></p> | Matt Heuring/ Marissa Evans | |
| Action Item | Approval of meeting minutes from 02/05/2026 | <p>No discussion required. Motion: Ashley Dowell Seconded: Shawn Hill All in favor – motion passes unanimously. <i>Meeting minutes for 02/05/2026 Juvenile Training Council Meeting are approved as written.</i></p> | Council Chair | |
| Discussion | Update on H492 legislation (New POST Council Voting member seat from IACJJA/IACMPAA) | Shawn Hill reviewed the history of this bill as having been approved by the legislature and signed into effect by the Governor with an effective date of 07/01/26. The IACJJA and IACMPAA met in April to approve a nomination process. After the nomination process concludes, a letter will be issued to the Governor for appointment. The committees represented agreed to form a subcommittee to represent the various disciplines to better inform the POST representative. | Shawn Hill | |
| Discussion | Discussion on S1259 legislation (Expanded arrest/transport authority for JPO's) | Shawn Hill reported this bill was presented by Senator Lakey reportedly after a conversation with an individual employed as a juvenile probation officer. Hill reported Senator Lakey has pulled the legislation this year but may return with legislation next year. Hill reported discussion on this subject at the IACJJA/IACMPAA level indicated many agencies not in support or having capacity to take on the duties listed in this bill. Hill reported a significant concern with the bill's language indicated the expanded authority for arrest/detainment/transport is voluntary which | Shawn Hill | |

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| | | may lead to circumstances in which a local Sheriff or Police Department may decline to transport a juvenile, citing this bill – even if that agency does not have capacity to conduct a transport. Director Dowell reported meeting with Senator Lakey about this bill. Lakey was reportedly under the impression the bill had the support of the IACJJA/IACMPAA. Lakey was also not aware of the potential cost increase to POST Academies for this. Further discussion on this item focused on encouraging the discussion not to cease at this time if it is important to the IACJJA/IACMPAA administrators. | | |
| Discussion | Review Juvenile Corrections Academy #5 end-of-academy survey | <p>Matt Heuring reviewed, in summary, the results of the Juvenile Corrections Academy #5 end-of-academy surveys. The class performed well overall academically and interpersonally. Kudos were levied to the instructors, coordinator, cafeteria staff, and peers. Some students noted concerns with the attire of instructors appearing unprofessional and with the number of test questions on the certification exam being out of proportion to the length of classes or number of objectives and attention to the curriculum. Overall, positive remarks.</p> <p>Matt Heuring took some time to discuss the combined academy of Juvenile Detention and Juvenile Corrections students coming up in October, particularly in respect to some negative or disparaging remarks overheard that are far removed from the reality of what the academy will be and in spite of the fact that there have been several discussions with administrators and other committees to determine the appropriateness of the combined academies – none of these negative remarks were voiced at that time. Matt Heuring is working on a plan to ensure communication about the combined academies is streamlined to reduce inaccuracies, promote a positive mindset, and reduce confusion.</p> | Matt Heuring | |
| Discussion | Review JTC roster for upcoming term expirations | The only upcoming term expiration is for Matt Heuring on August 29, 2026. | Council Chair | |
| Close | Meeting Adjournment | <p>Motion to adjourn: Shawn Hill Seconded: Ashley Dowell. <i>All in favor - Motion passes. Meeting is adjourned</i></p> | Council Chair | |

Next Meeting
 May 13th, 2026 2:00PM MT
 POST Academy Plott Conference Room – 700 S Stratford Dr., Meridian ID 83642 (Teleconference Available)