

**Minutes<sup>1</sup>**  
**Texas Integrated Justice Information Systems (TIJIS)**  
**Steering Committee Meeting**  
**Location: Texas Conference of Urban Counties**  
**Thursday, June 1, 2006**  
**500 West 13<sup>th</sup> St**  
**Austin, Texas 1:30pm – 4:00pm**

The TIJIS Steering Committee met on June 1, 2006 at the Texas Conference of Urban Counties in Austin, Texas. A quorum was established and the member agencies represented were: Tarrant County, Galveston County, Department of Information Resources, Department of Public Safety, Office of Court Administration, Conference of Urban Counties, Texas Association of Counties, Collin County, Harris County, Texas Department of Criminal Justice Houston P.D., County Information Resource Agency, Hurst P.D Texas Homeland Security Alliance. Additional guests' organizations present were the University of Texas at Arlington and the University of Texas at Dallas.

Dr. Alex Del Carmen and staff members with The University of Texas at Arlington presented their proposal that addresses their offer to provide the gap analysis at no cost and receive a commitment to develop a collaborative strategy with area universities for compensation to address the following categories:

1. Gap Analysis Report - a statewide research project that identifies where key justice data does not currently exist, is not consistent, or cannot be shared; and existing barriers preventing data collection, sharing and integration.
2. The Integrated Justice Information Systems Strategic Plan – a plan that prioritizes a list of action items based on the Gap Analysis Report. It recommends integration projects to be achieved within the next three years, and proposed changes to statutes necessary to implement critical elements of the plan.
3. The Criminal Justice Information Reference Model – a model that delineates key data flows among producers and consumers of criminal justice data and proposed extensions to the Texas Justice Data Dictionary currently maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS).

After the presentation was completed the TIJIS Steering Committee voted accept the UTA proposal *in concept* and establish a sub- committee with TIJIS and the University of Texas at Arlington and the University of Texas at Dallas charged with the responsibility to commit to a full-day work session and develop a program strategy clarifying the vision, goals, and objectives of the project based on the aforementioned UTA presentation. This program strategy would be considered the document that would be presented to the Chief Executive Officers of TIJIS organizations in order to secure funding.

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<sup>1</sup> The minutes were recorded by Les Smith, Tarrant County Administrator's Office.

