Kittitas County Juvenile Probation

Agenda Staff Report

AGENDA DATE:

2/16/2010

ACTION REQUESTED:

Move to approve Board's full signature on the document.

BACKGROUND:

Washington State Legislature has funded Victim Offender Mediation as an Evidence Based, research proven effective intervention for low risk juvenile offenders (low risk as determined by the Case Management Assessment Process, CMAP.) Our Juvenile Court has been funded to perform that intervention through an Evidence Based Expansion grant. We have contracted for the past biennium with the Yakima Kittitas County Dispute Resolution Center to perform VOM's with qualifying youth and desire to continue that relationship for the benefit of our community, victims and youthful offenders.

INTERACTION:

Contract format has been reviewed by legal, adjusted, accepted by DRC and signed by contractor's representative.

RECOMMENDATION:

Enable continuance of this proven successful intervention by authorizing the contract for certified VOM mediators to perform mediations for those qualifying youth and their victims.

HANDLING:

Request return of one signed original to JCA Holmes for distribution to contractor and keep one for Kittitas County Records.

LEAD STAFF:

William Holmes