

**STATE OF NEVADA
NEVADA COUNCIL FOR THE PREVENTION OF
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
BOY SCOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
PATCH SUBCOMMITTEE**

Minutes of Meeting

Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

Office of the Attorney General
5420 Kietzke Lane, Suite 202
Reno, Nevada 89511

Committee Members Present

None

Committee Members Present Via Teleconference

Valerie Cooney
Judy Henderson
Wendy Ronovech
Mike Sprinkle

Committee Members Absent

Robert Lundquist

Attorney General's Office Staff Present

Lorraine Webber, Assistant to the NCPDV

Attorney General's Office Staff Present Via Teleconference

Kareen Prentice, Domestic Violence Ombudsman

1. Call to order, roll call of members, establish quorum.

Mike Sprinkle called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

2. Public Comment.

There was no public comment at this time.

3. *Review and approval of minutes from July 7, 2011 meeting.

Mike Sprinkle commented that the adjournment time stated in the minutes was incorrect. Ms. Webber said that she would correct it.

Judy Henderson made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction. Wendy Ronovech seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed. Mike Sprinkle and Valerie Cooney abstained from voting because they were not present at the July 7th meeting.

4. *Update, discussion and possible action regarding promotion of Boy Scout patch program in Southern Nevada. (Wendy Ronovech)

Ms. Ronovech stated that at the last meeting, she and Lt. Lundquist had talked about ways to approach the Boy Scouts to promote the patch in southern Nevada but she had not talked to him since. She is ready to move forward.

Mr. Sprinkle asked if it had been decided whether to deliver the patches to the Boy Scout office or to give them directly to the Boy Scout leaders. Ms. Ronovech stated that the original plan was to deliver them to the central office but, after discussion, thought it would be better to bring the patches to the round table meetings and give them to the leaders. That way, she felt more assured that the boys would actually be working towards the patch. She feared that if the patches were delivered to the corporate office, nothing would really be done with them.

Mr. Sprinkle asked how cumbersome it would be for Ms. Ronovech and Lt. Lundquist to go to the different round table meetings. Ms. Ronovech said that they had talked about breaking it up by district and they needed a contact at the Boy Scouts to help them figure out how to do that. She thought that Lt. Lundquist understood the Boy Scout logistics a little better than she did. She thought it would likely be a year-long endeavor. She said that she would contact Lt. Lundquist to develop a plan.

Ms. Ronovech reported that she does have a contact at work, Charmaine Preator-Hillstead, who is heavily involved in with the Boy Scouts. Ms. Preator-Hillstead has offered to let Ms. Ronovech speak to her troop and is also willing to help her with the entire project. Ms. Ronovech asked the Committee if she would be able to recruit her to help, even if she is not a Committee member. Ms. Prentice stated that she could recruit anyone she wanted to help, and that non-council members could be added to the Committee if Ms. Preator-Hillstead was interested in joining. Ms. Ronovech said she would ask her to attend the next meeting. Mr. Sprinkle said he didn't see a problem with Ms. Ronovech moving forward and working with her even before the next meeting.

Ms. Cooney commented that when she reviewed the minutes from previous meetings, she was reminded that there had been discussion about developing Spanish language materials for the Boy Scout patch project. She asked if anyone had made further inquiries into it. Ms. Henderson stated that the cost of translating materials varies, but she thought it would be approximately \$20-\$30 per hour. The Committee decided to put it on the next agenda for further discussion.

5. *Discussion and possible action regarding statewide distribution of Boys Scout “Peace Begins at Home” patch.

The patch program is in place in Northern Nevada, but the Ms. Cooney noted that the Committee may need to do something to keep up the momentum. Mr. Sprinkle asked the Committee to consider what to do to promote the program in the rural areas. Ms. Cooney said that at the merit badge fair in Carson, there were representatives from as far east as Austin and Eureka. Ms. Prentice added that there were representatives from all over the state at both the Carson City and Reno merit badge fairs.

Ms. Cooney suggested we keep this agenda item and follow up with what is being done in the North. Mr. Sprinkle said that he thought the original idea was to launch the program and then let the Boy Scouts continue it. The Committee needs to decide if that is the case, or if the Committee will be involved in continuously administering it.

6. *Discussion and possible action regarding future goals and direction of Boy Scout Domestic Violence Patch Subcommittee.

Mr. Sprinkle stated that it seemed to be the consensus that the Subcommittee continue for now, rather than be reabsorbed by the Education Committee. Besides following up to make sure that the patch is still being discussed, and that the kids are working towards earning it, Mr. Sprinkle asked what else the Committee would like to do.

Ms. Cooney stated she would like the Committee to develop a plan to evaluate and asses what regions are aware of, and working on, the patch. In order to have a statewide program, the Committee needs knowledge of who knows about the patch program and where outreach is needed. She also suggested maybe giving some kind recognition to those who have earned the patch.

Mr. Sprinkle suggested that as a six month goal, the Committee should ascertain how many boys have earned the patch. Ms. Ronovech thought that was a good idea but questioned how the Committee would know how many boys completed the project. Ms. Cooney suggested getting the contact information for the troop leaders and attempting to make contact

with them via phone or email to find out if their troops were working on the patch. Ms. Ronovech stated that she would keep a log of the contacts she makes while attending the round table meetings in the South and follow-up with them in six months.

Mr. Sprinkle stated that he would contact Kathy Grost at the Boy Scout office in Reno to see how things were progressing in the North.

The Committee briefly discussed possible recognition for the boys completing the patch. Ms. Ronovech stated that if there were recognition, such as a meeting with the Attorney General, then perhaps that would encourage the leaders and their troops to become more engaged and they might be more likely to complete the program.

7. *Schedule future meetings and agenda items.

The next meeting was scheduled for January 12, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. An agenda item for translating the Boy Scout materials into Spanish will be added.

8. *Public Comment.

Ms. Ronovech wanted to thank Judy Henderson for helping with the recent in-service trainings for UnitedHealthcare providers.

9. *Adjournment.

Valerie Cooney made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Wendy Ronovech seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m.