

STATE OF NEVADA
NEVADA COUNCIL FOR THE
PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday, March 14, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

Office of the Attorney General
100 North Carson Street
Mock Court Room
Carson City, Nevada 89701

With
Public Access Via Videoconference Located At:

Grant Sawyer Building
555 East Washington Street, Room #4500
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Council Members Present

Catherine Cortez Masto, Barbara Aupperle,
Christina Hernandez, Eileen Herrington, Mark Jackson,
Brett Kandt, Suzanne Ramos, Mike Sprinkle, Robin Sweet

Committee Members Present Via Teleconference

Lubna Ahmad, Kathleen Bergquist, Christine Jones Brady,
Anyia Arechiga Gonzalez, Patricia Lynch,
Sue Meuschke, Larry Mosley

Committee Members Absent

Staci Alonso, Valerie Cooney, Traci Dory, Michael Freda,
Robert Lundquist, Wendy Ronovech,
Elynn Wernikove-Greene, Bob Zentz

Public Present

Kristin Carrier, CarWil Engineered Mining Solutions
Johnny Larkins, Arm Safety Button
Boe Turner, P.O.S.T. (by phone)

Attorney General's Office Staff Present

Kareen Prentice, Domestic Violence Ombudsman
Henna Rasul, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Legal Counsel to NCPDV
Lorraine Webber, Assistant to the NCPDV

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

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. Roll call was taken and quorum was established. General Masto swore in members of the Council who were not sworn in at previous meetings.

2. Introduction of members of the public and public comment.

Johnny Larkins, creator of the Arm Safety Button phone app, addressed the Council regarding the app and asked for assistance in promoting it for the safety of victims. General Masto explained that the Council is not in a position to adopt or endorse programs but said she would like to meet with him to get more information.

3. Review, amend and approve minutes from the November 2, 2011 Council meeting.

Brett Kandt made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2011 Council meeting as submitted. Mark Jackson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

5. Update, discussion and possible action on presentation by Kristin Carrier, CarWil Engineered Mining Solutions, regarding Scrap Domestic Violence project.

Ms. Carrier gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Scrap Domestic Violence Program she began last fall. The program funds domestic violence programs with the proceeds from recycling scrap metal. The program began at CarWil and Ms. Carrier is now working on getting Nevada mines to commit to donating the proceeds of their scrap metal as well.

6. Update, discussion and possible action on P.O.S.T. presentation regarding domestic violence training.

Mr. Turner, from P.O.S.T., reported that, at the request of the Attorney General, they reviewed the training requirements for domestic violence and stalking. The NAC's dictate minimum standards for initial training of Peace Officers. There are 16 separate objectives taught in basic training. Sexual violence is covered under Crimes Against Persons. In reviewing the academy curricula, they wanted to ensure that sexual violence and strangulation were at the forefront of training. There are ten hours of lecture, ten hours of practical scenarios and a four-hour practical domestic violence scenario that must be completed prior to graduation. In regards to continuing education, there are four specific stalking classes and 14 domestic violence classes. Peace Officers statewide are required to complete training in strangulation, domestic violence and stalking.

Mr. Kandt stated that he had provided the training video, *Perspectives on Domestic Violence*, to Mr. Clark at P.O.S.T. and asked if Mr. Turner was aware of it. Mr. Turner stated that the video had been discussed and that they were working on finding a way to utilize it in training. They have discussed making it available to peace officers through the online NV Learning Platform through the Department of Personnel.

Ms. Hernandez asked if LGBTQ training was provided in the domestic violence portion of P.O.S.T. training. Mr. Turner said that it was.

Ms. Brady asked how much training was provided regarding enforcement of TPO's. Mr. Turner stated he did not have that specific data with him, but TPO's are addressed in the curricula and there is a specific class in Southern Nevada on Stalking/TPO Investigations.

Ms. Prentice asked if it would be possible to get a copy the 16 objectives taught in basic training. Mr. Turner stated that he would send them to her by email.

7. Report, discussion and possible action on presentation by Christina Hernandez regarding UNLV Advocacy Support Response Team Against Violence (ASERTAV).

This agenda item was taken out of order.

Ms. Hernandez gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached) on UNLV's ASERTAV program. The mission of the program is to raise awareness, institute prevention efforts and address the experience of interpersonal violence including sexual assault, rape, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking throughout the UNLV campus and community.

Mr. Sprinkle asked about the increase in stalking cases and to what Ms. Hernandez thought it could be attributed. Ms. Hernandez said she wasn't sure why stalking incidents were increasing but thought that social media might be a factor. She noted that they are concentrating their efforts on education because in their focus groups they found that students don't always recognize stalking as a crime.

General Masto commended Ms. Hernandez on all that has been accomplished with limited funds. She asked how many people responded to the Interpersonal Violence Survey. Ms. Hernandez answered that only 973 of the 14,000 people who received the survey had responded. There were not enough funds to send to everyone on campus. General Masto asked what kind of response they received from the UNLV Administration in regards to the executive summary of the survey. Ms. Hernandez said that things have improved but they would still like to see more support from the Administration. She hopes that as education about, and

utilization of, the services provided increase; the Administration will become more involved.

8. Report, discussion and possible action on reports/updates from the following Committees of the Council:

This agenda item was taken out of order.

a. Criminal Justice Committee (Brett Kandt).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Mr. Kandt stated that one of the Committee's goals is to track multidisciplinary trainings. The Prosecution Advisory Council will be working with the Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Task Force to do additional one-day multidisciplinary trainings. There will be one in October but the specifics have not been finalized yet. In addition, they are trying to work with the Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence on the Annual Sexual Violence Conference. They have discussed making human trafficking the topic of the conference.

Another one of the Committee's goals is to look at statistics and track trends. They had tried to rely upon a separate report on domestic violence statistics that was put out by DPS Department of Records and Technology. However, DPS does not put out a separate report on domestic violence statistics anymore. Instead, the statistics are included in the annual UCR report. He noted that Ms. Sweet had pointed out that there are also statistics in the annual report of the Nevada Judiciary. The Committee is reviewing that data.

The third Committee goal for 2012 is to develop Victim Advocate Best Practices. A subcommittee, chaired by Elynne Greene, has been formed to work on the project.

b. Education Committee (Valerie Cooney/Sue Meuschke).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Ms. Meuschke reported that the Education Committee is working on a variety of issues including health care. The Committee is working with Christina Conti from the Health Division on outreach to hospitals regarding policies and procedures when dealing with domestic violence and sexual assault. Ms. Conti is also working with Mr. Sprinkle on training for REMSA. Hopefully, the Statewide EMS Committee will approve a training of trainer curriculum so they can go out to train emergency medical services personnel statewide.

ii. Update on Boy Scout “Peace Begins at Home” project.

The Committee is also working on youth education. They’ve done a lot of work with the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts in Northern Nevada and have begun work with the Boy Scouts in Southern Nevada.

There have also been conversations about whether the curriculum can be extended to 4-H groups. The Committee is also looking at the workplace; specifically, a survey that would go out to the casino HR departments to better understand what their policies and procedures look like and what kind of training they might need.

c. Legislative Committee (Mike Sprinkle).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Kareen Prentice explained that Mr. Sprinkle resigned as Chair of the Committee and that the position is currently unfilled, therefore, the Committee has not met.

d. Nominating Committee (Suzanne Ramos).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Ms. Ramos referred to the handout on attendance and noted that with the call-in capability, the numbers of those attending the meeting will increase. Currently there are 24 council members with one new appointee joining in the next month. The application process is in place this year with five positions open tentatively. Applications will be available online beginning June 1, 2012. The deadline for applications to be submitted is by 5:00 p.m. on August 3, 2012. That timeline correlates with the rural council meeting which will be held on July 18, 2012 in Battle Mountain. The Committee is recommending to the Council that a Town Hall meeting be held the afternoon of the 17th in Yerington, which will be voluntary to save on travel expenses. The priority for applicants will be given to Native American, clergy and rural applicants because those are areas that the Council is still lacking in representation. The Council’s demographics show that there are eight members in the south, seven members in the north, three rural members and six members from other parts of the state. The next Committee meeting is set for May 4th at 1:00 p.m. At that meeting they will finalize the schedule for evaluating the applications.

Ms. Ramos added that there are two council members that are up for recommitment in December of 2012 and six that are up for recommitment in January of 2013. If not all recommit, there will be additional vacancies.

e. Public Information Committee (Traci Dory).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Ms. Dory was unable to attend, so the update was given by Ms. Ramos.

It was decided that the 2012 goals for the Committee would remain the same as they were for 2011. They are:

1. Promote the prevention of Domestic Violence
2. Increase Media awareness
3. Update the brochure and website as needed
4. Increase recognition of the Council.

The next committee meeting will be held in either late March or sometime in April.

f. Underserved Populations Committee (Suzanne Ramos).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Ms. Ramos reported that, unfortunately, the Committee has not been able to gain a quorum to have a meeting so no new goals have been set. The 2011 goal of the Family Court survey is being reviewed and they are working with AOC. The Committee is working on outreach to LGBTQ and Asian, Native American, African and Latino communities.

They also want to continue efforts to arrange for a speaker at the Council meetings who can address issues faced by underserved populations.

A date has not been set yet for the next meeting.

General Masto acknowledged the difficulty in getting a quorum and asked that for the next meeting of the subcommittees, members write down what the subcommittee's goals are, what has been achieved and what hasn't and it will be added to one master list. Then, at the next meeting of the Council the members will go through the list and decide what still needs to be worked on and whether some subcommittees need to exist or not. General Masto asked that all the goals be sent to Ms. Prentice so that they can be collated and be ready for the next

meeting of the Council. Brett Kandt suggested that individual committee members also send a list of their personal goals, as well as the subcommittee goals for inclusion in the master list so they can be looked at as well. Christine Brady asked to join the Underserved Subcommittee.

g. Judicial Training Committee (Michael Freda).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Michael Freda was not present, so Mark Jackson gave the update. Two meetings were held since the last Council meeting, and the next is scheduled for April 12, 2012. Over the two previous meetings, the Committee had discussed the Bench Book and made recommendations to the AOC regarding the Chapter on domestic violence.

General Masto spoke about recent webinar training for judges that seemed to go really well. Sixteen judges participated and rated the training a 4.8 (on a scale of 1 to 5). The training will continue to be made available to the judges. Ms. Prentice spoke about being invited to present to the judges, along with Jennifer Kandt and the Attorney General, on Batterer's Treatment issues. In addition, they have been invited to present "In Her Shoes" at the Judicial Leadership Summit. The goal of the exercise is to give participants insight into the many obstacles a victim of domestic violence faces when trying to leave their batterer.

Mr. Kandt asked if the training video recently used at the Prosecutor's Conference was being utilized at the judicial trainings, and it was suggested that it may be suitable for use as a webinar or at a future Summit.

9. Report from the Domestic Violence Ombudsman (Kareen Prentice).

Ms. Prentice said that the Boy Scout Domestic Violence Awareness Patch curriculum has been translated into Spanish. It will be posted on the website. She also gave an update on the Attorney General's Domestic Violence Fatality Review Statewide Team. They met for the first time January 12, 2012 and were trained by Matthew Dale from the National Domestic Violence Fatality Review Initiative. They are having their next meeting March 21, 2012, at 10:30 a.m. to discuss policies and protocols, and to determine the site for the first fatality review. A list has been put together of domestic violence fatalities from the Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence's annual report. Brett Kandt is working with the district attorneys for those counties to make sure that they're adjudicated cases. If anyone has a case they would like to see reviewed, submit it by May or June so that it can be voted on by the Fatality Review Team. They are also working with Clark County and they will hopefully be doing a review in May.

i. Update on VINE.

The current live counties in the state are Carson, Churchill, Douglas, Elko, Esmeralda, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lyon, Lincoln, Mesquite (in Clark County), Nye, Storey and White Pine. Washoe has had the system for about 15 years, but are now part of the statewide system. The Nevada Department of Corrections went live about two weeks ago for the entire state. Pershing County will be going live next. PSA's have been filmed and will be released during Victims' Rights week – April 23rd through 27th. There will be eight trainings conducted in Clark County. There were six trainings done in Washoe County and one training each done in White Pine, Eureka and Lincoln County. In May they will be going out to Nye, Esmeralda and Mineral Counties. Trainings in Douglas, Lyon and Elko Counties will take place after that. Information on the trainings coming up in Clark County will be sent out and anyone interested is welcome to attend.

The AOC was very interested in the Court Assessments document that was handed out at the training in Pahrump, and will be meeting to talk about the issue. Washoe County assessments were identified as being very low this year, and the judges are very concerned and want to identify where the problem lies since they know they are collecting more than what the Court Assessments document shows was received. It was discovered that the disconnect may be occurring between the county courts and the County Treasurer. Not all courts have a Court Administrator. Washoe has several Court Administrators. Ms. Prentice reported that this issue is a priority.

The NNADV received money from the Health Division to start a Statutory Rape Public Education Campaign Committee.

Ms. Prentice passed out information about a two-day free training the United States Attorney's Office is holding on sex trafficking in April.

Ms. Prentice also reported that she went to a NNADV LGBTQ Training in Las Vegas that was very informative. She then passed out Sexual Assault Awareness Pins.

10. Report from the Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Task Force (Elynn Greene).

Ms. Greene provided a written report (attached).

11. Report from the Washoe County Domestic Violence Task Force.

Suzanne Ramos spoke about the Safe and Healthy Homes 5k River Run that is scheduled for April 21, 2012 at Idlewild Park. It used to be in September but it was moved to April to include all victims of crime. Ten dollars of each registration fee will go to CAAW this year.

12. Report from the Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence (Sue Meuschke).

Sue Meuschke provided a written report (attached).

She also talked about the bill reauthorizing the Violence Against Women Act coming before the Senate next week which provides a lot of the funding for domestic violence programs. There are currently 59 co-sponsors; Harry Reid, from Nevada is one. Dean Heller is not. She encouraged anyone who was interested to call Heller's office and ask that he vote yes on the bill. She explained that there are a number of new provisions in the bill that address the high rate of violence in tribal areas, but those provisions are in trouble. So she suggests that people let their senators know that they support those provisions that allow tribes to prosecute non-tribal members for violence on their reservations. Mr. Kandt reported that he met with our congressional delegation in Washington DC the previous month and their staff indicated to him not to expect a 5-year authorization, but more likely that it would go to an annual appropriation.

13. Report from the Attorney General's Office on Violence Against Women STOP Grant and update on Grants Unit activities (Liz Greb).

Ms. Greb did not attend the meeting but provided a written report (attached).

14. Report from the Committee on Domestic Violence (Jennifer Kandt).

Ms. Kandt did not attend the meeting but provided a written report (attached).

Mark Jackson made a comment about judges wanting more discretion in requiring batterers' treatment counseling pursuant to NRS 200.485(3). Mr. Kandt stated that he felt that it was a minority opinion that judges want more discretion regarding the issue. Robin Sweet added that the lack of treatment providers was the primary reason judges wanted more discretion in these cases.

15. Comments from the Chair.

This item was taken out of order:

General Masto gave an update on the Human Trafficking initiative for the State of Nevada. For the next three years one of the issues the Attorney General's Office

will be focusing on is the commercial sexual exploitation of individuals ages 12 through 21. It is a statewide initiative with law enforcement and District Attorneys partnered with the advocates in the communities as well as with federal authorities. A focus group has been formed and will be looking at model legislation that may be needed in the state to address the issue, treatment and the lack thereof, and what can be done to help these young victims. The training component is key for law enforcement personnel to identify human trafficking. Education, outreach and awareness are key. The first step for the focus group is gathering the data statewide to help identify the level of the human trafficking problem that exists in Nevada. A small subcommittee was formed with representative from Las Vegas Metro, Sparks Police Department, Reno Police Department and Washoe County Sheriff's Department. They discussed how to capture the human trafficking data, what it's going to look like across the state and how it can be made uniform so various jurisdictions can be compared. They are going to look at any additional criteria that might need to be added in order to identify the victims and categorize them so that solutions can be found. General Masto emphasized the importance of raising awareness of human trafficking in the state, since California and Nevada are number one in the nation for the human trafficking of juveniles according to the FBI crime reports. She also asked to what extent the Council members felt some of these issues could be addressed by the Council, since the issues are all related – domestic violence, sexual assault and trafficking – she would like to see it wrapped into existing groups, like the Council, Substance Abuse or Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice, instead of forming a separate working group or task force to address the problem.

16. Report, discussion and action on reports/updates from the following Council Officers:

a. Vice Chair - Mike Sprinkle

Mr. Sprinkle had nothing to report, except to comment briefly on members making every effort to attend meetings, especially now that they could do so by phone.

b. Treasurer - Suzanne Ramos

Ms. Ramos reported that there was a balance of \$129.11 in the budget. Ms. Prentice stated that the travel expenses for this meeting were paid from a Training and Education budget that the Ombudsman has, so the only expense coming from the budget would be the teleconference bill before the new fiscal year. Ms. Ramos explained that most of the new fiscal year funds will be spent on the rural meeting. Ms. Prentice said that she will be requesting \$5,000 for the next fiscal year and hoped it would not be cut from the budget this time.

c. Secretary - Brett Kandt

There was no report from Mr. Kandt, except to reiterate the importance of members attending meetings.

17. Discussion and scheduling of future meetings and agenda items.

The next meeting will be July 18, 2012 in Battle Mountain.

18. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

19. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

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Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday, July 18, 2012, at 11:30 a.m.

Battle Mountain Civic Center
625 South Broad Street
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Committee Members Present

Catherine Cortez Masto, Brett Kandt, Kathleen Bergquist,
Christine Jones Brady, Traci Dory, Christina Hernandez,
Lt. Robert Lundquist, Susan Meuschke, Mike Sprinkle,
Elynne Wernikove-Greene, Robert Zentz, Patricia Lynch,
Barbara Aupperle, Eileen Herrington, Maricar Andrade, Valerie Cooney

Committee Members Absent

Lubna Ahmad, Staci Alonso, Michael Freda,
Anyia Arechiga Gonzalez, Mark Jackson, Larry Mosley
Suzanne Ramos, Wendy Ronovech, Robin Sweet

Public Present

Kayla Mauldin, Jennie McKenzie, Michele Scovil
Michael MacDonald, John C. Fuller, Heather Singer,
James Barnes, Angie Elquist, Tawnie Black,
Laura Schmidt, JoAnn Casalez, Paula Hartbank,
Kristin Carriere, Max Bunch, Allison Smith

Attorney General's Office Staff Present

Kareen Prentice, Domestic Violence Ombudsman
Henna Rasul, Deputy Attorney General, Legal Counsel to NCPDV
Liz Greb, Grants and Project Analyst
Martie Washington, Grants and Project Analyst

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

General Masto called the meeting to order at 11:30 am. Henna Rasul conducted the roll call of members and established quorum.

General Masto thanked CarWil for being at the meeting and for providing lunch.

2. Introduction of members of the public and public comment.

General Masto asked the public to introduce themselves.

General Masto stated that the members for domestic violence in Battle Mountain are here and to introduce themselves; Kayla Mauldin, Laura Schmidt, Tawnie Black, Jennie McKenzie, and Michele Scovil.

General Masto asked the District Attorney's attending to introduce themselves; Angie Elquist, Lander County District Attorney, and her deputy attorney James Barnes and Michael MacDonald, Humboldt County District Attorney.

General Masto stated that Sheriff Unger was unable to attend. General Masto proceeded to introduce Elko Chief of Police, Chief Zumwalt. Chief Zumwalt thanked the AG's Office for its partnership with the Elko Police Department and assisting with the police department's issues pertaining to domestic violence.

Mr. John Fuller introduced himself as a member of the community as well as a business owner of a mobile home park in Battle Mountain.

General Masto thanked everyone for being at the meeting.

3. **For possible action:** Review, amend and approve minutes from the March 14, 2012 Council meeting.

General Masto asked if minutes were reviewed (see attached handout) and asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2012 Council meeting. Mike Sprinkle made a motion to approve the minutes. Barbara Aupperle seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

4. **For possible action:** Report, discussion and possible action on presentation regarding Scrap DV by Kristin Carriere and JoAnn Casalez.

General Masto introduced Kristin Carriere from CarWil and JoAnn Casalez from Scrap DV. JoAnn Casalez presented on Scrap DV (see attached presentation). Scrap DV is a funding source working with the mines due to the amount of scrap available to fund programs throughout Nevada for domestic violence.

General Masto asked JoAnn Casalez if there will be a process for applying for grant funding. Ms. Casalez stated yes and discussed the application, reporting, and distribution processes. Ms. Casalez stated that grant distribution will be

yearly starting January 2013 through December 2013.

Ms. Casalez discussed the Elko Mining Show, the benches to memorialize domestic violence victims, and about the current donors/partners. Currently CarWil and AMS donate 100% of scrap monies and Boart Longyear donates 50% of scrap monies. GoldCorp made a donation of \$10,000 and Scrap DV is working with them to become a donor/partner and hopefully donate 100% of scrap monies. The monthly donations will help Scrap DV fund programs for domestic violence.

Kareen Prentice asked a question as to how the donors get scrap and monies to Scrap DV. Ms. Casalez stated that the donor/partner uses a scrap company and that a partial or full donation of the scrap monies is given to Scrap DV through a check from the scrap company, includes tonnage and dollar amount.

5. **For possible action:** Report, discussion and possible action on presentation regarding Allison Smith regarding the Drug Endangered Children Project.

General Masto introduced Allison Smith. Allison Smith presented and showed a video on the Drug Endangered Children Project (DEC) (see attached presentation). Ms. Smith stated that funding for the project is through grants from the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance through the AG's Office. Ms. Smith noted the forming of the Nevada Alliance with the National Alliance for DEC and how it will assist the communities throughout Nevada. Provided handouts regarding DEC (see attached handouts).

Ms. Smith talked about DECSYS; not much money available, so have to collaborate and leverage the resources available within the counties throughout Nevada. Ms. Smith stated that about six counties have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Protocols ready for signature; Humboldt, Lander, Pershing, Churchill, and Elko counties.

Ms. Smith stated that the website, www.decnevada.org, was launched about two weeks ago and will be a great resource and tool to use.

Ms. Smith opened it up for questions and there were no questions.

6. **For possible action:** Report, discussion and possible action on presentation by local stakeholders to include: Representative from Sheriff Ron Unger, Angie Elquist, District Attorney and the Committee Against Domestic Violence.

General Masto opened the meeting to the stakeholders to talk to the Council. Discussion on resources and services for Lander County, the City of Battle Mountain pertaining to domestic violence (i.e. shelters/safe houses, foster

care/foster homes, transportation, mental health services/counseling for victims/training for perps). Due to cutbacks at the State level, the Department of Child Family Services and the Department of Mental Health are no longer in City of Battle Mountain.

Kayla Maudlin stated that she has been a board member for domestic violence in Lander County since 1986. Ms. Maudlin stated the number of board members and volunteers is up given the lack of funding and resources for the area. Ms. Maudlin stated that Newmont Mining has elected employees to donate monies to certain organizations and have seen a rise in employee donations to domestic violence, which is great.

Discussion pertaining to prosecution of domestic violence cases. One difficulty is the children being split up throughout Northern Nevada, which makes it hard to do parental visits let alone sibling visits. Another difficulty is victims recanting and that is where advocates and counseling for victims would be a benefit. Another benefit is the collaboration between law enforcement, prosecutors and the victims/survivors of domestic violence to help figure out where the gaps, barriers, or delays are throughout the process.

General Masto stated that there is never enough money, so the need to work together differently and cross those boundaries is important. The goal is to share and learn, have best practices and work together. General Masto talked about the Tri-County Prosecutor through the AG's Office and that is housed in the local DA's Office. Liz Greb talked about looking at district, border and judicial lines when it comes to prosecution as well as victim services; look at the community strengths and build those partnerships. General Masto stated that not every model works for every community; by communicating those needs, the more the focus will be on those gaps or at least figure out a way to take care of it.

7. **For possible action:** Report, discussion and possible action on reports/updates from the following Committees of the Council:
 - a. Criminal Justice Committee (Brett Kandt).
 - i. 2012 Goals Update.
 - ii. Update on Victim Advocate Protocols Subcommittee.
 - iii. Nevada State Bar Ethics Opinion No. 23 (1995).

(i.) 2012 Goals Update.

Brett Kandt talked about the multi-disciplinary training on October 4, 2012.

Elynne Greene stated that the training will include best practices for victim advocates too. October 4, 2012 Free One Day Workshop on Effectively Investigating and Prosecuting Domestic Violence (see attached handout).

(ii.) Update on Victim Advocate Protocols Subcommittee.

Brett Kandt talked about best practices, prosecution, protocols for law enforcement and first responders in handling domestic violence cases. Mr. Kandt stated that the subcommittee may be able to present to the Council the protocols by the end of the year. Elynne Greene stated the members of the committee were herself as chair, Barbara Aupperle, Suzanne Ramos, and Lori Fralick (a public member).

(iii.) Nevada State Bar Ethics Opinion No. 23 (1995).

Brett Kandt talked about the Opinion and that it basically states that it is an ethical violation for a defense attorney to discourage a domestic violence victim from testifying, to urge the victim to not cooperate with the prosecuting attorney or law enforcement, and to influence the victim's testimony. Nevada State Bar Ethics Opinion No. 23, October 25, 1995 (see attached handout). Mr. Kandt stated that the majority of people working with domestic violence victims know that this is inappropriate, but this Opinion states it. Mr. Kandt stated that this Opinion will be included in the training for prosecutors, so they are aware of it and adhere to it. Short discussion and comment session pertaining to the Opinion.

b. Education Committee (Valerie Cooney/Sue Meuschke).

- i. 2012 Goals Update.
- ii. Update on Boy Scout "Peace Begins at Home" project.

(i.) 2012 Goals Update.

Valerie Cooney gave an update on the hospital survey, outreach to emergency medical service providers, outreach to children; Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts projects, and outreach to businesses with a focus on casinos.

(ii.) Update on Boy Scout "Peace Begins at Home" project.

Valerie Cooney stated that the outreach to the Boy Scouts in the North and South, the patch program, and the training to Boy Scout leaders is being conducted through the committee. Wendy Ronovech has been an enormous help in the South with the Boy Scout patch project.

c. Legislative Committee.

i. 2012 Goals Update.

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Kareen Prentice stated that the committee has not met and does not have a chair right now. Ms. Prentice is setting a meeting for August 2012 for the committee.

d. Nominating Committee (Suzanne Ramos).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

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Kareen Prentice stated that applications are being accepted until August 3, 2012. Ms. Prentice stated a press release has been sent out; the application is on the AG's Website, and to contact her for an application. Ms. Prentice stated no applications have been received. Ms. Prentice and General Masto discussed contacting the executives at Newmont mining.

e. Public Information Committee (Traci Dory).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

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Traci Dory stated that the committee is making sure the AG's Website is up to date. Ms. Dory stated that the committee is looking at adding a link for temporary protection orders in the victim resource guide. The committee's next meeting will be held on August 30, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.

f. Underserved Populations Committee (Suzanne Ramos).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

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Christina Hernandez stated that Gender Justice Nevada, which is a new organization, has hired two part-time positions and will be handling LGBT domestic violence and sexual assaults as well as hate crimes. Larry Mosley is working in the North with the African America community for

outreach similar to what is happening in the South.

g. Judicial Training Committee (Michael Freda).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

(i.) 2012 Goals Update.

Valerie Cooney spoke on the behalf of Michael Freda. The committee has had two meetings; one in January 2012 and one in June 2012 and planning a meeting for August 2012. The committee is identifying topics for training for the new judges coming into office pertaining to domestic violence and sexual assault. The committee anticipates another survey to identify topics for training for the new judges. Brett Kandt stated that maybe that survey could be combined with the bi-annual report survey for judges. Kareen Prentice stated that Robin Sweet has asked the Council to help with a two-hour training for judges. Short discussion on training for judges.

8. Report from the Domestic Violence Ombudsman (Kareen Prentice).

a. Update on VINE.

Kareen Prentice stated that General Masto signed onto a letter with fellow Attorney Generals to Harry Reid, John Boehner, Mitch McCall, and Nancy Pelosi supporting VAWA re-authorizations (this is the second letter General Masto has signed with other Attorney Generals supporting VAWA).

Ms. Prentice addressed the community members of the City of Battle Mountain and that the information that is shared in the meeting today will be included in the bi-annual report to the Governor and Legislature. A report is generated every other year prior to the legislative session.

Ms. Prentice gave an update on VINE (Victim Information Notification Everyday). Ms. Prentice stated that Lander County has been live with the VINE Program since February 2011. Ms. Prentice asked if the community members of Lander County knew about it, use it, and if they have attended the trainings. The community members responded in knowing about it, attended trainings and one member stated using the system for a victim; really informative and helpful process. Ms. Prentice presented a bag of VINE information.

Ms. Prentice continued an update on VINE and stated that Mineral and Pershing Counties will go live in August 2012. Clark County is planning to go live at the end of August 2012. The North Las Vegas Detention Center closed in July 2012, so inmates were moved to the Las Vegas Detention Center. Not a seamless process, however; manual notifications were done for victims registered. Ms. Prentice stated that the scripting and transfer notifications for Clark County have been changed and updated. Parole and Probation and the Parole Board are planning to go live March and/or April 2013 and the Department of Corrections went live in February 2012.

Ms. Prentice stated two grants have been received. A STOP grant to help with the system costs and a Byrne/JAG grant to help fund the program manager for one more year.

Ms. Prentice stated the importance of getting information out about VINE and awareness of the system in Washoe County. We sent PSA's to media and we plan to do this in Clark County. Ms. Prentice stated that she has VINE handouts and materials and to contact her to request handouts and materials.

b. Update on the Attorney General – Domestic Violence Fatality Review Statewide Team.

Kareen Prentice stated the first review of the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Statewide Team was done in Pahrump on June 26 and June 27, 2012. The team went over the policies, protocols, and a confidentiality statement was completed. The team chose a case from Pahrump (domestic violence mainly occurred in Las Vegas and just a short time period in Pahrump).

Ms. Prentice stated the team received great support from Child Protective Services; three children involved in the case. Ms. Prentice stated that the team listened to one of the 911 calls. Ms. Prentice stated that the review was a learning session on what to do differently and how to gather information. General Masto stated the case is about a father who stabbed his wife then shot himself with three children at home witnessing the violence.

General Masto stated that the Fatality Review was brought before Legislature and created by the AG's Office to address what is seen in this State concerning domestic violence homicides and that the State leads the nation in domestic violence related fatalities. In looking at the life of this woman it helps to understand what happened and piece it together;

really look at the facts; learn from the experience, fine tune and bring to other communities. General Masto stated that the goal is to take the information and put together a report to give to the Legislature and take it to the stakeholders, put in better processes, procedures and collaboration for everyone involved in the process.

General Masto and Ms. Prentice both stated it was a fascinating experience.

9. Report from the Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Task Force (Elynne Greene).

Elynne Green stated that she submitted a written report, which outlines the events and the round table discussion held last week. Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Task Force (see attached handout). On October 4, 2012 there is a free one day workshop on "Effectively Investigating and Prosecuting Domestic Violence" (see attached handout).

Ms. Greene discussed trying to bring a Family Justice Center to Las Vegas.

Ms. Green stated that on October 1, 2012 the SNDVTF will be unveiling the Domestic Violence Memorial Plaque. There will be a press conference and they will bring the families together that have a family member memorialized on the plaque. Ms. Greene stated that this is the third consecutive year that domestic violence homicides are down in Clark County.

10. Report from the Washoe County Domestic Violence Task Force.

General Masto introduced item ten; there was no one present to give an update.

11. Report from the Attorney General's Office on Violence Against Women STOP Grant and update on Grants Unit activities (Liz Greb).

General Masto introduced Liz Greb. Liz Greb stated she has put together a written report for the Council (see attached handout). The report covers current grants, how much expended and brief outline of subgrants.

Ms. Greb stated that there has been an increase in the utilization of STOP grants over the last two years. The areas that were traditionally having trouble spending out are now being tapped out (i.e. law enforcement, prosecution). A little bit of money has been returned to the law enforcement category.

Ms. Greb stated that in the current grant cycle no more interim grants will be awarded and the last one was for the VINE Program. Ms. Greb stated she is working with General Masto and the Assistant Attorney General Munro on the priorities for the next grant cycle, which starts January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. One problem last year was that funds were so tight that some agencies gave the funds back because the funds could not be used effectively. They are reevaluating the way to give grants and try to build on partnerships and use other resources; an overall package versus piecemeal. VAWA re-authorizations continue to hover along.

Ms. Greb stated that the Department of Justice is making changes that will impact the way we do grants. The Department of Justice is limiting the food and beverage budget policy for grant funds and will be pretty non-existent (not even bottled water). However, no formal letter of notification. Once the formal letter of notification is received then cuts will need to be made, except for what has been approved.

12. Report from the Committee on Domestic Violence (Jennifer Kandt).

General Masto introduced item twelve; provided in writing, please review the Committee on Domestic Violence Report (see attached handout).

13. Comments from the Chair.

General Masto stated no further comments from her on this item.

14. Report and discussion on reports/updates from the following Council Officers:

General Masto introduced item number fourteen.

a. Vice Chair - Mike Sprinkle

Mike Sprinkle stated nothing more to discuss or report.

b. Treasurer - Suzanne Ramos

General Masto stated that Suzanne Ramos is not present at the meeting. Update provided though; 1042-15 NCPDV Expenses to Date FY 12 (see attached handout).

c. Secretary - Brett Kandt

Brett Kandt stated there was nothing more to discuss or report.

15. **For possible action:** Discussion and scheduling of future meetings and agenda items.

General Masto introduced item fifteen. Kareen Prentice stated the next Council meeting will be in October or November. General Masto stated that Kareen Prentice will be coordinating the next Council meeting.

16. Public Comment.

General Masto introduced item sixteen and stated no public comment.

17. **For possible action:** Adjournment.

General Masto asked for adjournment. Brett Kandt made the motion to adjourn. Valerie Cooney seconded the motion to adjourn. General Masto stated meeting is adjourned.

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 7, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

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and
555 E. Washington Avenue, Suite 3900
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101-1068

Committee Members Present

Catherine Cortez Masto, Attorney General
Brett Kandt, Christine Brady, Valerie Cooney, Traci Dory
Mark Jackson, Dr. Mike Freda
Judge Patricia Lynch, Sue Meuschke
Suzanne Ramos, Mike Sprinkle, Robin Sweet

Committee Members Present Via Teleconference

Maricar Andrade, Barbara Aupperle, Kathleen Bergquist,
Robert Lundquist, Wendy Sue Ronovech
Elynne Wernikove-Greene, Bob Zentz

Committee Members Absent

Lubna Ahmad, Staci Alonso
Anyia Arechiga Gonzalez, Christina Hernandez
Judge Eileen Herrington, Larry Mosley

Public Present

(3) Public – North
(1) Public - South

Attorney General's Office Staff Present

Michon Martin, Chief Deputy Attorney General, BPA/NDOC
Kareen Prentice, Domestic Violence Ombudsman
Lisa South, Assistant to the Council
Henna Rasul, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Legal Counsel to NCPDV

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

The meeting was called to order at 10:11 a.m. Henna Rasul took roll call and established quorum.

2. Introduction of members of the public and public comment.

Advocates for the Washoe Tribe Domestic Violence program are in attendance. The Ombudsman for the State of Nevada for Minority Health Issues is in attendance.

3. Swearing in of new members.

Henna Rasul conducted the swearing in of Maricar Andrade (see attached Oath).

4. **For possible action:** Review, amend and approve minutes from the July 18, 2012 Council meeting.

General Masto asked for a motion on the minutes from the meeting on July 18, 2012. Bob Zentz made the motion to approve the minutes. Elynne Wernikove-Greene seconded the motion. Mark Jackson, Mike Freda, Suzanne Ramos, and Robin Sweet abstained. Meeting minutes approved.

5. **For possible action:** Report, discussion and possible action on presentation by Michon Martin, Chief Deputy Attorney General regarding proposed Sex Trafficking legislation on behalf of the Attorney General.

Michon Martin reported and discussed the sex trafficking legislation (see attached presentation). Ms. Martin stated there is currently a pandering statute, which is changing to sex trafficking (use Federal definition of sex trafficking). Ms. Martin stated that the pandering statute is antiquated. Ms. Martin stated that the sentencing would increase by one level to a Cat B Felony 3 to 20 years to 10 to 15 years to Life. This includes aiding and abetting sexual assault against a child no probation. John stated that using violence would get the same penalty as sex trafficking because you do not need violence required when it's a child. This includes the need to modernize conspiracy, racketeering and wiretapping. A sex offender if convicted of sex trafficking should include asset forfeiture and mandatory restitution for survivors. This includes a civil cause of action where victims can sue the pimp. Confidentiality is maintained just as in domestic violence cases. Kareen Prentice stated that victims of crime compensation should be eligible for sex trafficking. Prosecution would have right to a preliminary hearing not just the defense as it is now (BDR 403). Safe Harbor is trying to move away from criminalizing the victim (not part of the BDR currently).

Ms. Martin discussed the Polaris Project. An organization that combats human trafficking holistically and the work is pro bono.

Discussion and questions on sex trafficking. General Masto talked about the treatment, education and law enforcement side; need to come together. Christine Brady asked a question pertaining to age as well as training for judges. Elynne Wenikove-Greene has a similar question on age. Ms. Martin stated they try to make the definition clear pertaining to age. Bob Zentz asked a question about "the relationship", the "domestic relationship". Mark Jackson reported on sex trafficking statistics.

There will be a one-day conference on sex trafficking on January 9, 2013.

6. **For possible action:** Report, discussion and possible action on presentation by Judy Henderson of the Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence regarding the statutory rape campaign and awareness materials.

Judy Henderson reported and discussed the statutory rape campaign and awareness materials (see attached presentation). Ms. Henderson discussed the definition of statutory rape (under the age of 16) as well as statutory sexual seduction penalties Ms. Henderson reported on the nationwide statistics for sexual violence and statutory rape. Ms. Henderson discussed the primary prevention strategies (this included prevention principles and approaches).

Ms. Henderson reported the Nevada Department of Human Services Division of Welfare and Supportive Service funds the Statutory Rape Education Project. Ms. Henderson reported that the Nevada Public Health Foundation is educating a variety of audiences on issues relating to Statutory Sexual Seduction. Ms. Henderson discussed the National Campaigns and Resources available.

7. **For possible action:** Report, discussion and possible action on reports/updates from the following Committees of the Council:

- a. Criminal Justice Committee (Brett Kandt).

- i. 2012 Goals Update.
- ii. Update on Victim Advocate Protocols Subcommittee.

Brett Kandt gave a report on the Criminal Justice Committee. Mr. Kandt stated the committee wants to standardize the form and is working with Vic Schultze.

- b. Education Committee (Valerie Cooney/Sue Meuschke).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Sue Meuschke asked for clarification on businesses versus casinos. Ms. Meuschke discussed sharing with Chambers the workplace violence materials (CCI) and link to National information sites. Judy Henderson added parent and education group (Safe House, Shade Tree)

ii. Update on Boy Scout "Peace Begins at Home" project.

Sue Meuschke, Wendy Sue Ronovech and Robert Lundquist discussed the Boy Scouts project.

iii. Update on Girl Scout "Peace Begins at Home" project.

Elynn Wernikove-Greene discussed the Girl Scouts event.

c. Legislative Committee.

i. 2012 Goals Update.

ii. Nomination of new committee Chair.

Kareen Prentice stated the Legislative Committee will need to vote for new chair. The next meeting for the Legislative Committee is on December 12, 2012.

d. Nominating Committee (Suzanne Ramos).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Suzanne Ramos gave an update on the Nominating Committee. Ms. Ramos stated that the Council will need waivers from all new and current members for the Council meeting in January 2013. Traci Dory and Wendy Sue Ronovech are not recommitting. Brett Kandt recognized Traci Dory and all her contributions.

e. Public Information Committee (Traci Dory).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Traci Dory gave an update on the Public Information Committee. Ms. Dory stated the temporary protection order document needs to be put online (AGO Website).

ii. Nomination of new committee Chair

The next meeting for the Public Information Committee will be on November 15, 2012 and will need a new chair.

f. Underserved Populations Committee (Suzanne Ramos).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Suzanne Ramos gave a report on the Underserved Populations Committee. Ms. Ramos stated a goal is having a Statewide community meeting in various areas. The next meeting for the Underserved Populations Committee will be on December 3, 2012.

g. Judicial Training Committee (Michael Freda).

i. 2012 Goals Update.

Dr. Michael Freda gave a report on the Judicial Training Committee. Dr. Freda stated the bench book has been reviewed and Robin Sweet and Mark Jackson have made suggestions. Robin Sweet said that they are waiting to release the benchbook until the judges committee reviews and approves.

Valerie Cooney stated that rural judges often ignore the law. Ms. Cooney stated that victims are being prosecuted for contempt of court (re: their protection orders).

Kareen Prentice and Judy Henderson did the "In Her Shoes" scenario game with judges. Ms. Prentice stated AOC wants the Council to find a speaker for their new judges. Nancy Lemon from Berkley, California works with judges. The new judge training will take place on December 5, 2012.

8. Report from the Domestic Violence Ombudsman (Kareen Prentice).

Kareen Prentice thanked Elaina from the Department of Public Health. Elaina spoke about reproductive and sex health for women. Ms. Prentice stated will hear if chosen November 15, 2012 and if chosen will start January 1, 2013 (\$350,000). Ms. Prentice gave an update on SART/SANE, State Board of Nursing and will follow-up.

a. Update on VINE and the Attorney General's Bill Draft Request.

Ms. Prentice stated that VINE is live in every county except Clark County. Ms. Prentice stated that Washoe County is doing notifications by hand. There will be a meeting with Apris today. Ms. Prentice stated working with Parole Board and Public Safety.

A Bill to house VINE – in the AG's Office – be a subcommittee in NCPDV.

Ms. Prentice stated there are two new grants that were received in July. Brett Kandt stated that 70% of victims utilize the system.

b. Update on the Attorney General – Domestic Violence Fatality Review Statewide Team and the Attorney General's Bill Draft Request.

Ms. Prentice stated the BDR would give the Attorney General access to the Criminal Depository for the Fatality Review Team. Elynne Wernikove-Greene stated the Southern Nevada Fatality team has reviewed two cases and is working on a third.

9. Report from the Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Task Force (Elynne Greene).

Elynne Wernikove-Greene gave a report on the Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Task Force (see attached update). General Masto asked about what happened with the Family Justice Center project.

10. Report from the Washoe County Domestic Violence Task Force.

Suzanne Ramos stated the Washoe County Domestic Violence Task Force will be meeting on December 3, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Ramos stated collaborating with prosecutors. Ms. Ramos asked Brett Kandt (Advisory Council) for a prosecutors training in the North.

11. Report from the Attorney General's Office on Violence Against Women STOP Grant and update on Grants Unit activities (Liz Greb).

Marti Washington reported on grants. DECSYS update – Nevada and Wisconsin chosen as pilots – will be launched in December and hope to go Statewide.

12. Report from the Committee on Domestic Violence (Jennifer Kandt).

Jennifer Kandt is not in attendance. Ms. Kandt has submitted a CDV report (see attached report).

13. Comments from the Chair.

No comments from the Chair.

14. Report and discussion on reports/updates from the following Council Officers:

a. Vice Chair - Mike Sprinkle

Mike Sprinkle is resigning as Vice Chair.

b. Treasurer - Suzanne Ramos

Suzanne Ramos has no comment. (see attached Treasurer report)

c. Secretary - Brett Kandt

Brett Kandt has no comment.

15. **For possible action:** Discussion and scheduling of future meetings and agenda items.

Discussion on bills, new members and possible location for Rural Road Trip next year (Caliente/Pioche/Panaca).

16. Public Comment.

Sue Meuschke stated that the Statewide Hotline will be closed and to use the National Hotline.

17. **For possible action:** Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.