NEVADA COUNCIL FOR THE PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 8, 2014, at 11:00 AM

Via Teleconference with Public Access Located at: Office of the Attorney General 5420 Kietzke Lane, Suite 202, Reno, Nevada 89511 Call-In number - 888-557-8511 Access code – 4188407

Committee Members Present

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Christine Jones Brady Dr. Michael Freda Elynne Wernikove-Greene Robin Sweet Rev. Victoria Warren Sue Meuschke Dr. Camille Naaktgeboren

Committee Members Absent

Clarice Charlie Sherri Grotheer Dorie Guy Brett Kandt

Public Present

None

Attorney General's Office Staff Present

Kareen Prentice, Domestic Violence Ombudsman (via AGO-Reno) Colleen Platt, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Legal Counsel to NCPDV (via phone) Anjanette Bitsie, Administrative Assistant (via AGO-Reno)

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

Christine Jones Brady called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. Conducted the roll call of members. Quorum was established.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Review and approval of minutes from June 21, 2013 meeting. (For possible action.)

Christine Jones Brady asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from June 21, 2013. Robin Sweet made the motion to approve the minutes. Rev, Victoria Warren seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

4. Introduction of committee members. (For possible action)

Council members introduced themselves to the rest of the committee.

5. Update and discussion on NCPDV Judicial Training committee plan for the biennial legislative report and judge survey. (Dr. Michael Freda) (For possible action.)

The Judicial Training Committee has not had a meeting. Robin Sweet is in the process of creating a judges survey draft and is changing the draft format to multiple choice questions.

6. Discussion regarding legislative changes to custody evaluations discussion led by Dr. Michael Freda. (For possible action)

Dr. Michael Freda gave background on legislative changes to custody evaluations. He has not approached the legislative body yet. He will give California legislation to Angie to distribute for the next meeting.

7. Review, discussion and possible action regarding possible upcoming legislation for the 2015 legislative session. (For possible action)

Sue Meuschke discussed previous legislation for early lease release for victims of domestic violence and that this law is going to be challenged by land lords. Sue Meuschke stated that she needs anecdotal stories from victims. Elynne Green and Christine Jones Brady offered to research and find antidotal stories. The committee will follow up with this information at the next meeting.

Christine stated that one area that needs to be addressed is teen dating violence. Dr. Freda stated that Washoe County School District has training for students. Sue Meuschke wants a copy of the curriculum. Kareen stated that Darrin Balaam or Kim Schweikert from Washoe County Services has the curriculum. Kareen will follow up with Christine. Sue Meuschke went over proposed legislation regarding comprehensive sex education and domestic violence and she stated that a bill draft request is not out yet.

Colleen Platt stated the bill draft request is number 38 on the list, there will be no additional information until next February. Once the bill is introduced you can

track the bill on NELIS on the legislature website. Colleen stated the committee and council can write a letter of support. Once the letter is received it is forwarded to the committee that is addressing the bill. Sue discusses the process of determining support or not support a bill.

8. Discussion and possible action on developing goals for the Legislation Committee. (For possible action)

Christine discussed drafting and sending a letter to the legislature to raise awareness that the council exists. Dr. Freda stated that most legislators do not read their mail but their email. They could send out an email once the election is over.

9. Schedule future meetings & agenda items.

The next meeting will be held on September 9, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

10. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05.