

**NEVADA COUNCIL FOR THE PREVENTION
OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 2, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:

The 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 Avenue
Room # 3315
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Council Members Present

Catherine Cortez Masto (AGO-LV)
Clarice Charlie (AGO-CC)
Denise Yoxsimer (AGO-CC)
Susan Meuschke (AGO-CC)
Suzanne Ramos (AGO-CC)
Christine Jones Brady (AGO-CC)
Dr. Michael Freda (AGO-CC)
Dorie Guy (AGO-CC)
Paul Bancroft (AGO-CC)
Robin Sweet (AGO-CC)
Maricar Andrade (AGO-LV)
Doris Diaz (AGO-LV)
Sherri Grotheer (AGO-LV)
Magann Jordan (AGO-LV)
Leisa Moseley (AGO-LV)
Dr. Camille Naaktgeboren (AGO-LV)
Robert Zentz (AGO-LV)
Hon. Patricia Lynch(AGO-CC)

Council Members Absent

Nanci Glogauer

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Christina Hernandez
Mark Jackson
Brett Kandt
Mariana Kihuen
Hon. Patricia Lynch
Sheriff Richard Machado
Lt. Loren Napier
Rev. Victoria Warren
Elynn Greene

Public Present

Tara Phebus, UNLV (AGO-LV)
Allison Smith (AGO-LV)

Attorney General's Office Staff Present

Kareen Prentice, Domestic Violence Ombudsman (AGO-CC)
Henna Rasul, Senior Deputy Attorney General (AGO-CC)
Heather Cooney, Legal Secretary (AGO-CC)
Liz Greb, Grants (AGO-CC)
Martie Washington, Grants (AGO-CC)

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

General Masto called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Henna Rasul conducted roll call of the members and established quorum.

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

There was no public comment.

3. **For possible action:** Review, amend and approve minutes from the January 7, 2014 Council meeting.

General Masto asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes for January 7, 2014. Bob Zentz made the motion to approve the minutes. Sherri Grotheer seconded the motion. General Masto asked if there was any discussion. A vote was taken and passed by unanimous vote.

4. **For possible action:** Review, discussion and recommendation of the following individuals for nomination for appointment to the Council by the Attorney General pursuant to NRS 228.480(2):

- Magann Jordan
- Lt. Loren Napier

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General Masto asked for a motion to accept the individuals for nomination for appointment to the Council. Suzanne Ramos made the motion to accept the individuals for nomination for appointment to the Council. Dr. Michael Freda seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the individuals for nomination for appointment to the Council were passed by unanimous vote.

5. Swearing in of new members.

General Masto conducted the swearing in of the new members.

6. **For possible action:** Report from the Juvenile Domestic Violence Roundtable Planning committee regarding the roundtables held in Clark and Washoe counties on the criminal justice system's handling of domestic violence cases involving juvenile offenders (Sue Meuschke/Brett Kandt)

Sue Meuschke gave her report.

Sue Meuschke discussed the two round table discussion meetings on prosecution of juveniles for domestic violence held in March 2014. Ms. Meuschke summarized the round table discussion meetings and that there is a consensus in lack of resources and lack of services. Ms. Meuschke stated that there are concerns that the definition of domestic violence is too broad, which results in juveniles being charged with domestic violence that should not be. Ms. Meuschke stated the subcommittee will meet to discuss further.

Discussion on that the majority of cases include family members and not intimate relationships. Karen Prentice discussed that there was little discussion about domestic violence in juvenile intimate partner relationships. General Masto discussed that Judge Voy has expressed concern that most juvenile cases were family members (i.e. siblings).

7. Report from Attorney General Masto regarding the Attorney General's Domestic Violence Fatality Review Statewide Team (NRS 228.495)

General Masto gave her report. General Masto discussed domestic violence fatalities in the rurals and the work of the team.

Karen Prentice stated there will be a AG-DVFRST meeting with Clark County DV Fatality Review Team and the Washoe County DV Fatality Review Team on June 3, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. via video conference between the Carson City AG's Office and the Las Vegas AG's Office and Council members are invited to attend.

8. **For possible action:** Discussion, recommendations and possible action regarding Victim Witness Advocate Model Protocols.

Kareen Prentice opened this agenda item for discussion. Sue Meuschke discussed that these protocols were designed for system based advocates and applicable for all victim services and not just for domestic violence victims. The Victim Witness Advocate Model Protocols will be brought back to the next Council meeting for a vote.

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

Kareen Prentice discussed the Women of Color Network Training being held in Las Vegas on April 15, 2014 and April 16, 2014.

Robin Sweet stated webinars are available for other judges and court staff to view. Discussion on webinars and suggestions as projects for the \$10,000 grant from the Bolton Foundation.

Kareen Prentice stated the Bolton Foundation grant monies are wide open to use and asked for suggestions. Some suggestions were law enforcement training, webinars, and education.

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

Martie Washington gave the presentation and Liz Greb gave the report on the Grants Unit activities. Ms. Greb stated there is a need for mental health, children services and drug abuse programs in Nevada. Ms. Greb discussed grants for elder abuse in Washoe County, trafficking of minors and sex trafficking victims.

11. Report from the Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Task Force (Elyne Greene)

Elyne Greene was not able to attend the meeting and provided a report on the Southern Nevada Domestic Violence Task Force.

12. Report from the Washoe County Domestic Violence Task Force (Suzanne Ramos)

Suzanne Ramos gave her report.

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

Jennifer Kandt provided a report on the Committee on Domestic Violence.

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

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Sue Meuschke gave her report. Ms. Meuschke provided two handouts; a written report and quarterly statistics report. Ms. Meuschke discussed that the Network is working on adolescent relationships and teen dating violence. Ms. Meuschke discussed the training for health care providers for doing screenings. Ms. Meuschke stated that the Network has launched their Facebook Page.

15. Report from Drug Endangered Children Project (Allison Smith)

Allison Smith gave her report. Ms. Smith stated that every city is participating in DEC. Ms. Smith discussed that DEC is working on a new partnership for safe and drug free schools. Ms. Smith gave an overview of DEC and provided the website; www.decnevada.org.

16. Comments from the Chair

General Masto thanked all the committees for working together.

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

a. Vice Chair

Brett Kandt was not able to attend the meeting.

b. Treasurer

Suzanne Ramos gave the financials report.

c. Secretary

Elynn Greene was not able to attend the meeting.

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

Suzanne Ramos stated to add the committee reports to the next meeting's agenda.

Discussion regarding selecting Eureka, NV for Rural Meeting this Summer in July or August.

19. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

20. Adjournment.

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The meeting was adjourned.