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MEETING MINUTES

Name of Organization: **Advisory Committee on the Rights of Survivors of Sexual Assault**

Date and Time of Meeting: **December 18, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.**

Place of Meeting: **Conference Call 515-603-3191 + code and Optional Conference Room**

Attorney General's Office
 Mock Courtroom
 100 N. Carson Street
 Carson City, Nevada

Attorney General's Office
 Grant Sawyer Bldg. Rm. 4500
 555 E. Washington Avenue
 Las Vegas, Nevada

Attorney General's Office
 5420 Kietzke Ln. #202
 Reno, Nevada

Committee members are indicated by **bold font**:

Conference Call Participant/Attendees:		Conference room attendees
Ford, Aaron Evans, Serena Harris, Shannon Murga, Kim Robison, Debbi Sabori, Anissa Staple, Daniele Tracy, Scott	Trenoweth, Traci Taruk, Justin [AGO OML counsel] Bordelove, Rosalie O'Banion, Nicole Grey, Lisa Oslund, Laura Strickland, Deborah Wickham, Harold	None.

1. Call to order, welcome and roll-call.

Attorney General (AG) Ford called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and roll call determined there was a quorum of members present.

2. Public comment.

AG Ford invited public comment. There was none.

3. **Approval of the minutes of the November 18, 2019 meeting.** Serena Evans moved to approve the 11/18/19 meeting minutes, seconded by Traci Trenoweth. The minutes were unanimously approved.
4. **Approval of draft Sexual Assault Survivors' Bill of Rights. *For discussion and possible action.*** There was discussion of the draft Bill of Rights with comments relating to the necessity of language informing survivors they might be asked questions by police and whether that language might repress their willingness to be open with investigators and/or assistance personnel. Daniele Staple suggested a revision to make the language more realistic to help reassure survivors that being questioned is not to be interpreted they are not being believed. Discussion continued about other suggested changes to the Bill of Rights, such as information about statute of limitations, the advisability of an early forensic exam, and de-emphasizing language about compensation and restitution since that might be offering false hope to survivors. Language regarding medical and SANE exams, access to police files, and other items were also discussed and Harold Wickham moved to adopt the report as amended by the discussion. Serena Evans seconded and the motion passed with none opposed.
5. **Public comment.** Chairman Ford invited public comment. NDOC's Deborah Strickland brought forth the issue of the differences and difficulty in the ability of staff to treat inmate victims. Chairman Ford referred Strickland to Nicole O'Banion to address the issue with the AGO's staff.
6. **Future meeting dates and times:** To be scheduled.
7. **The meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.** upon Kim Murga's motion and Trenoweth's 2nd. None opposed.

Prepared by V. Beavers