

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY

Meeting Minutes

DATE: **November 17, 2021**

TIME: 3:30 - 5:00 P.M.

PLACE: Zoom Meeting:

Members Attended: 14 Agencies: Mariela Arreola (DSS), Marlene Ramirez(DSS). Becky Sherwood Pimental(DSS/Adult) Kenya Burton(Dist. 1), Joan Crenshaw(Comm/Status of Women), Herendida Delena (L. Campesinas), Christine Duncan(YWCA), Heriberto Estrada(Probation), Sheree Goldman (Dist 5), Kelsey Hansen (CHS), Deacon Warren Hoy(Dio Monterey), Elaine McCleaf (YWCA),Lauren DeSilva(Rape Crisis), Julia Muruato (Health Dept), Pam Patterson (DA Office), Priscilla Ortega(Homeless Sol), , Deneen Guss(MCOE)

Associate Members: Jillian Santillanez, Karlette Anderson

Others Attended: Linda McGlone(Public), Amber Wasson (SPD), Ariana Santos, Elvia Herrera

Excused: Lee Garland (Dist. 4), Zoe Carter(Dist 2), Kathy Palozzolla (MCSO)

- 1. Opening** 3:35- - 3:45
- a. Call to order by E. McCleaf (standing in for Interim-Chair C. Duncan) at 3:35. Introductions
 - b. Secretary – If you arrive late, please announce yourself for attendance
 - c. Quorum is 8 members, with 16 seated members – Quorum met.
 - d. Approval of minutes for November 17,2021 – Moved to accept with the correction of the spelling of Hansen and Pimental by J. Crenshaw and seconded by L. DeSilva Minutes approved by All
 - e. Treasurer’s Report – Kelsey Hansen, No Changes
 - f. Public comments and oral communications: none

2. Updates and Announcements: None 3:45 - 3:54

3. Education and Information

A. FTO Christi Gunter from Presidio Police Department, with help from advocates Karlette Anderson and Jillian Santillanez, described police response to DV calls on the military base. Military/Civilian and Military/Military are handled the same and taken very seriously by command staff, i.e. order the accused to re-locate and remain in the barracks, offer the victim SAFE Room to stay at. Local DA(Monterey County)and military have concurrent jurisdiction. Police give victims the DA Victim's card and Marcy's card for rights and resources. L. DeSilva asked if violations of restraining orders are taken as seriously. The answer from all was yes and in this discussion it was related that an offender may have a TRO from family court, a CPO from the criminal court and an order from the military prohibiting contact with the victim.

Chair C. Duncan took over the meeting at 4:15 and introduced Lideres Campesinas presentation by Herendida Delena, Elvira Herrera and Adriana Santos.

Lideres Campesinas is a committee that provides support to agricultural workers who are also DV, sexual assault, child abuse victims as well as persons exposed to the dangers of pesticides. Locally they collaborate with the YWCA for victim services and CCA for therapy referrals. They have 16 committees/chapters throughout California including: Coachella, Salinas(Greenfield & Soledad), Sonoma, Ventura, Fresno, Madera, Modesto & Kern and have a presence on social media. They are active in the community teaching the dynamics of abuse, the effects on the victim and children and advise friends/family to support the victim by being patient and understanding and recognize that not every victim is ready to report or leave the relationship. Lideres Campesinas promote artwork created by survivors, such as aprons and bandanas. They presented a three minute video on Trauma Informed Care which can be found at <https://youtu.be/fWken5DsJcw>

4. New Business

4:35-4:50

1. Nominating committee member Pam Patterson offered the following adjusted slate for new officers in 2022:

C. Duncan – Chair, J. Crenshaw as Vice-Chair, E. McCleaf as Secretary, K. Hansen agreed to remain Treasurer and Pam Patterson agreed to remain Historian. Motion made by Deacon Hoy to appoint the new slate as proposed, Seconded by Kenya Burton. Vote: All in favor.

2. Did we achieve 2021 goal: **“Partner agencies and representatives will improve interagency communication and support to increase and improve services, using a family systems approach.”**

C. Duncan stated that it appears we did meet this goal however now need to evaluate and evidence the response of each agency.

J. Crenshaw offered to collect responses from each agency on how their agency improved interagency communication and support to increase services, using the family systems approach. Please send Joan your response by 1/10/2022 at joan.crenshaw@comcast.net

3. Zoom Meetings discussed and everyone preferred meetings on Zoom and a hybrid model in which a small group could gather and collectively zoom was discussed.

The Brown Act requirement of meeting within 30days to affirm our continued use of zoom platform for meetings was discussed. As a result, we will hold a brief meeting on December 15, 2021 at 3:30 to take a vote regarding continued meetings on zoom. Please note a quorum is needed so please attend to cast your vote. An agenda w/ the zoom link will be sent closer to 12/15/21.

5. Old Business

4:50-4:55

1. By-laws revision has been adopted by BOS and posted on the website per P. Patterson who also thanked Linda McGlone for her tenacious attention to this update in the by-laws. L. McGlone thanked Pam Patterson for her efforts as well.

The by-laws revisions included adding Lideres Campesinas as a voting member, and corrected the titles of other agencies i.e. Community Homeless Solutions from Shelter Outreach, Community Human Services from Community Resource Center.

6. Adjourn

4:55

Next Meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2021 through Zoom at 3:30 p.m.

FYI: Quorum: Fifty (50%) plus one of the seated Council members, in attendance, shall constitute a quorum, but in no case shall a legally constituted meeting be held without a quorum.

Missing meetings: Three unexcused absences within a twelve-month period will constitute an automatic resignation.