

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY

Minutes

DATE: February 22, 2023

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

PLACE: Blanco Circle in Salinas, at MCOE

Members Attended: Alma Sanchez (DA), Elaine McCleaf, Ana Vasquez(YWCA), Priscilla Ortega (Homeless Sol), Roderick Franks(DSS), Julia Marmolejo-Muruato(MCHD), , Kelsey Hansen(CHS), Elizabeth Aguilar (District 3), Heriberto Estrada(Probation), , Herendida Delena(Lideres Campesinas), Lauren DaSilva(Rape Crisis), Brett McFarland(MCOE) Warren Hoy(Diocese of Monterey), Clara Vargas(APS), Chief Jeff Watkins(Police Chief's Assoc.), Marisa Hernandez, (Status on Commission of Women), Kenya Burton(District 1)

Absent Members: MCSO – excused, Joan Crenshaw- unexcused, , excused, -excused Lee Garland (District 4)

Associate Members Present: None

Guests: Veronica Ramirez (YWCA), Desteney Garcia (MCRCC)

Public: None

Vacant Seats: Superior Court, Medical Society, District 2

**3:30                    1. Opening    DVCC Chair Brett McF**

A. Call to order and Introductions

    a. Quorum noted

B. January meeting minutes – Any corrections- None

**Motion to Accept January Minutes**

**Moved: W. Hoy                    Second: K.Hansen    All in Favor: ALL   All Opposed:None**

C. **Motion that the DVCC continue to meet remotely in accordance with California AB 361, for March 22, 2023 meeting.**

**Moved: P. Ortega    Second: E. Aguilar   All in Favor: ALL   All Opposed:None**

D. Treasurer's Report – Quarterly - Kelsey Hansen- No change

E. Public comments and oral communications: None

**3:40            2. Updates and Announcements    Teen Dating Awareness**

**Julia described the Health Dept's TDV campaign with Alisal and Everett Alvarez High Schools**

**Elaine noted that the YWCA every Monday presents Healthy Relationships to Soledad Middle and High School**

**3:45            3. New Business: DVCC 2023 Goals            Brett Mc.**

**1. ELAINE MC. PRESENTED HISTORY OF THE DVCC, MISSION OF THE DVCC AND PAST GOALS OF THE DVCC AS WELL AS A TOUR OF THE DVCC WEBSITE- SEE ATTACHED PPT**

**2. GROUP DISCUSSION - BRETT MC. HAD MEMBERS READ THE DVCC MISSION STATEMENT AND CALLED FOR COMMENTS REGARDING THE DVCC MEETING THE MISSION STATEMENT AND IS THE DVCC STILL RELEVANT TODAY.**

**-KELSEY H. INDICATED A RESOUNDING "YES, THE DVCC IS STILL RELEVANT TODAY", SOCIAL MEDIA HAS BROUGHT A NEW FACET TO DV PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION, WE NEED TO ADDRESS OFFENDERS, CHILDREN WHO WITNESS DV, STRANGULATION, AND HOW PETS ARE USED IN DV**

**-LAUREN D. AGREED AND STATED THAT SHE HAS BEEN A MEMBER FOR 9 YEARS AND THIS GOAL DISCUSSION HAS BEEN HAD PREVIOUSLY A NUMBER OF TIMES, SHE NOTED WE ARE THE ONLY COUNTY COUNCIL THAT HAS NO STAFF AND NOT BUDGET AND TO ACCOMPLISH OUR GOALS BOTH ARE NEEDED**

**-WARREN H. STATED THAT THE NEED FOR COORDINATION, PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION WILL GO ON FOREVER**

**-ELAINE STATED OUR MISSION STATEMENT NEEDS TO BE CHANGED FROM ...BENEFIT OF VICTIMS TO INCLUDE FAMILIES, IE OFFENDER AND CHILDREN**

**3. GOAL DISCUSSION EXERCISE: MEMBERS WERE INVITED TO ADD IDEAS TO THE 3 CHARTS AROUND THE ROOM ENTITLED: NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY, CHALLENGES OF OUR COMMUNITY AND HOW CAN THE DVCC HELP.**

**A. CHALLENGES OF THE DVCC**

**B. NEEDS OF THE DVCC**

**C. HOW CAN DVCC HELP?**

**5. Working Group Reports**

A.. Annual Conference Committee 2023 Volunteers Roderick Franks & Brett Mc. looking for more volunteers

**5:00      7. Adjourn**

**Please Note: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR **March 22, 2023** at 3:30**

**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 and the Chair will ask your agency to appoint new member

**Participation at meetings:** Please have video cameras in the ON position and join in the discussion.