

**Meeting Minutes August 28, 2013**  
**Domestic Violence Coordinating Council of Monterey County**

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DSES, Ste. 302  
1000 S. Main St.  
Salinas, CA 93901

**Members/Alternates present:** J.Butz, S. Goldman, J.Teeter, V.Barnes, A.Mohammad, M.Martinez, J.Empasis, D.Acosta, S.Lynch, and G.Jimenez

**Excused absences:** C.Mounteer, P.Patterson, R. Soto, E.Romero

**Others:** John Adams, Nancy Ramirez

**Call to order and introductions:** The meeting was called to order by S. Goldman at 3:30PM.

1. **Amendments to the agenda:** None.
2. **Approval of Minutes of June and July 2013:** The minutes were unanimously approved (Teeter, Martinez)
3. **Public Comments and Oral Communications.**
4. **Education and information:** Nancy Ramirez and John Adams from PREP Monterey County explained about their program, Prevention and Recovery in Early Psychosis. What began in San Francisco City and County in 2009, has expanded to Alameda County, San Mateo County, San Joaquin County and Monterey County by way of grants. Currently the program is funded for three years and will hopefully later be funded by medical billing. The program targets people ages 14-35 who have had their first psychotic episode within the past two years. Referrals can come from schools, therapists, parents or self.

**1. Working Group Reports**

- a. **Executive Committee:** Did not meet.
- b. **Membership Committee:** No report.
- c. **Batterer Intervention:** No report.
- d. **Victim Services:** No report.
- e. **Medical Services:** No report.
- f. **DV Ombudsman:** No report.
- g. **Conference:** J.Butz, J Empasis, J. Teeter and P.Patterson comprise the conference committee and will begin meeting soon to plan the 2014 conference.
- h. **Virtual Family Justice:** S.Goldman, P.Patterson and J.Butz met to discuss how to expand the services offered on the website. The idea is to film the different places and processes that victims might encounter, so that they can be familiar with them, hopefully taking away some of the unknown.
- i. **Education:** G.Jimenez provided a sample of a small backpack would be useful and enticing to give away as a way to promote and educate the community.

2. **Action items:** The Executive Committee would like for the Victim Services working group to take on the task of determining a complaint process and how to better utilize the services of the chief of police's representative.
  3. **New Business:** None
  4. **Old Business:**
    - a. **Cut it Out:** No report
    - b. **Fill vacancies:** No report
    - c. **CASP Report:** tabled
    - d. October is **Domestic Violence Awareness Month** and in recognition of that P.Patterson proposed that we have a showing of "Rape in the Fields" and also have *LIDERES CAMPESINAS* come and speak. She has reserved the Board of Supervisors Chambers on October 23, 2013, in lieu of the regular DVCC meeting.
  5. **Information Sharing/Discussion:**
    - a. J.Empasis shared a successful case.
    - b. S.Lynch reported that the Catholic Diocese received a grant to help with restorative justice and violence in the community. It will help to build leadership within parishes to provide healing assistance to families that have suffered violence.
  6. **Correspondence:** None
- The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 P.M.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2013 AT 3:30 P.M. IN SUITE 302.**

*FUTURE SPEAKERS/EDUCATION*

- *EMDR/TRAUMA THERAPIST \**
- *LIDERES CAMPESINAS*