

Meeting Minutes January 22, 2014
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, J.Teeter, P.Patterson, M.Martinez, S.Lynch, M.McMills, S. Goldman, V.Barnes, D.Jacroux, A.Mohammad

Excused absences: C.Mounteer

Others: Dennis Bates

Call to order and introductions: The meeting was called to order by S.Goldman at 3:35PM.

1. **Amendments to the agenda:** None.
2. **Approval of Minutes of November 2013:** The minutes from were unanimously approved (Teeter, Barnes)
3. **Public Comments and Oral Communications.** On February 9, 2014 the Monterey County Rape Crisis Center will hold its annual Run with Love 5k/10k fundraiser. You can register before or on the day of the event. The run/walk starts at Lover's Point in Pacific Grove.
4. **Education and information:** The speaker will attend the February meeting due to a scheduling mistake.

1. Working Group Reports

- a. **Executive Committee:** Met to discuss agenda and plan future speakers.
- b. **Membership Committee:** P.Patterson is working on updating the bylaws with the Board of Supervisors.
- c. **Batterer Intervention:** No report.
- d. **Victim Services:** No report.
- e. **Medical Services:** No report.
- f. **Conference:** P.Patterson and J.Teeter attended a Solution Summit in Sacramento regarding the issue of the treatment of women in the fields. Workers, growers and law enforcement were invited to attend. The thought is to replicate that idea here in Monterey County. The conference committee will meet immediately after the DVCC meeting to discuss the idea.
- g. **Virtual Family Justice:** The committee has not met recently, but needs someone with audio/visual experience to help film.
- h. **Education:** No report.
2. **Action items: *Vote on new Board:*** The nomination committee was not present so the vote will be carried over to February.
3. **New Business:**

- a. *Survey Question Results:* J.Butz sent out a survey via survey monkey and received 10 responses. Most of the responses about the October forum were positive. Some ideas for additional forums were: DV and teen dating, Elder abuse (emotional and physical), Stalking, Strangulation, Collaborative relationships with the community to reduce family violence.
 - b. *Support network for DV victims:* A.Mohamad reported that Supervisor Jane Parker approached her regarding a judge's interest in establishing a volunteer support network for survivors of domestic violence. The council was confused as to request since the YWCA has ongoing groups and the District Attorney's Office provides support through their Witness/Victim unit. P.Patteron will meet with Supervisor Parker to get more clarification about the request.
 - c. *New goal for 2014:* Some ideas for the new goal were to continue the theme of being more visual, but being more specific about where, possibly to all the interdisciplinary agencies. Another idea was to include digital voices on the website to hear real stories from real victims/survivors.
4. **Old Business:**
- a. **Cut it Out:** J.Empasis and D.Jacroux will meet soon to plan a training for hairdressers.
 - b. **Fill vacancies:** District 1, 2, Education and Latino Network are still vacant. Guillermo Rodriguez is interested in joining the DVCC and his name has been forwarded to District 1, 2 and the Latino Network. J.Butz will follow up.
 - c. **CASP Report:** No report.
5. **Information Sharing/Discussion:**
- J.Teeter handed out the financial statement for October- December 2013.
 - A suggestion was made that the "Rape in the Fields" documentary be placed on the DVCC website to be viewed.
 - J.Empasis has a new booklet to handout to Law Enforcement about elder abuse and neglect, regarding what elements to look for and questions to ask.
 - The City of Salinas, in conjunction with the YWCA has received a grant of which the DVCC is a part, so there will need to be a specific item on the agenda for the partners to discuss the implementation and progress.
 - S.Lynch reported that Chispa is offering educational outreach at their housing sites and it would be a good place for the YWCA or Monterey County Rape Crisis Center to do outreach and/or establish support groups.
6. **Correspondence:** None
- The meeting was adjourned at 4:41 P.M.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 26, 2014, AT 3:30 PM IN SUITE 302