

Domestic Violence Coordinating Council of Monterey County

Salinas, CA

Meeting Minutes July 25, 2018

Members/Alternatives Present: Linda McGlone, Deacon Warren Hoy, Sharon Gold, Lauren DaSilva, Daniel Gonzalez, Robin Ledford, Helen Childers, Sara Nason, Chief Amy Christey, Pam Patterson, Al Vicent, Allison Yant

1. Introductions

2. DVCC Meeting

- a. Call to order and introductions. The meeting was called to order by Robin Ledford, DVCC Chair, at 3:31 p.m.
- b. Approval of the June 2018 Meeting Minutes with two amendments - Section 1(a) to add Amy Christey as an attendee, Section 1(d)(i)(3)(e) to read "Lemans-Nichols", removal of goal statement at top of minutes.

Chief Amy Christey moved to approve the June 2018 Meeting Minutes and Deacon Warren Hoy seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

- c. Correction to July 2018 agenda. July agenda section 1(b) should state "Approval of the minutes for June 2018."
- d. Treasurer's Report – Daniel Gonzalez, Treasurer: No change to treasurer report distributed at May 2018 meeting. All checks require two signatures. The DVCC Chair and Treasurer will not sign checks together.
- e. Public Comment and Oral Communication – None.

3. Updates and Announcements

- a. Sara Nason, new DV Advocate from the YWCA, discussed her role working with Monterey PD. This role is part of the Cal OES grant. She works with clients, even if the situation is not moving ahead to the DA's office. She currently has 17 active cases. Officers are beginning to request DV advocate over dispatch and she will go out to the scene. Officers are happy with her presence. Monterey PD willing to work with other jurisdictions so that she can become involved with another departments, when needed. Discussed incidents where children are involved and, as a mandated reporter, those situations should be called in to FCS. Hotline is available 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 755-4661 and after hours 800-606-6618.

Discussed Teen Dating Violence and human trafficking: if parent unable to protect a teen, this would meet child welfare criteria and should be called in to the FCS hotline. Voluntary Family Maintenance is also an available option.

Sharon Gold provided an update on the Papas Program. She provided contact information. Although geared for men, women can also attend. Spanish interpretation provided. It is a 16-week program, with other resources provided.

Suggestion make to have someone from Papas present at a DVCC meeting, as well as Maria Martinez from the DV Unit at FCS.

There will be a domestic violence event on October 11 at Fort Hunter Liggett for DV Awareness Month – Sharon Gold to follow-up with details.

The Victim Witness Unit is moving back to the Salinas Courthouse on August 10th. Pam Patterson’s office will also be moving to the Courthouse. She is training a new service dog for two weeks in Santa Rosa.

Pam Patterson also discussed the old Salinas Californian building and the dream of having a Family Justice Center one day. This building is currently for rent.

The Sherriff’s Advisory Council indicated they would allow us to use their tax ID/non-profit number for the DVCC Conference.

DV Protocol was brought to the August Chief’s Meeting. Question arose as to whether the new YWCA position discussed above was included in the protocol. Pam Patterson to review and follow-up to make sure all pieces are included.

4. New Business

a. DVCC Conference:

- i. New diversion section to the penal code related to mental health. Should this be discussed at the conference? Behavioral Health is working on a program suitable for the judges to refer to. Is there a judge available to speak to this? Pam Patterson to inquire if there is someone specific and need to make sure the person submits a POST resume.

If considering providing a mental health breakout – consider seeking someone who is an “expert” in mental health.

- ii. Linda McGlone to reach out to San Mateo Sherriff as possible presenter. They have a training program and a DV firearms compliance unit, offering POST credit. They track, investigate and enforce the seizure and storage of firearms after a DV Restraining Order has been served. If a report shows reasonable suspicion that weapons are present, a search warrant can be requested. They also work with Community Overcoming Relationship Abuse (CORA). Sgt. Linda Gibbons may be

another good speaker. Linda McGlone to ask her about the conference date. Discussed having 2 workshops.

- iii. Colonel Stevens from JAG willing to speak to the same issue discussed above, but geared toward how the military works with families around this issue.
- iv. Robin Ledford reached out to Ann at NAMI but has not received a response.
- v. If one workshop falls through, may be able to create a workshop on early advocacy efforts and how the process creates cooperative victims.
- vi. Chief Christey working on POST.
- vii. Mark Wynn is confirmed to speak about implementing the DV Protocol.
- viii. Date confirmed – October 30th. Venue pending. Chief Christey mentioned Chataqua Hall in Pacific Grove as potential venue, with PGPD as cohost. Conference planning volunteers willing to do a walk-through on Friday, July 27th at 3 p.m.
- ix. Discussed cost of \$35 per person to cover breakfast and snack costs. Suggestion made to create a workgroup around the conference.
- x. Discussed CEUs and involvement of other public officials as introductory speakers.

- b. By-Law Amendment: The role of Historian shall be added to the Officers list of the DVCC. Pam Patterson was selected as the Historian. DVCC By-Laws need to be amended and original resolution “96357” shall be amended. The Council agreed to the amendment unanimously.

Amendment will be filed with the By-Laws and attached to the original resolution. Linda McGone, DVCC Co-Chair will keep original with blue signature. This will need to go to the Clerk of the Board to attach to the original bylaws.

5. Old Business:

- a. DV Protocol – Cal OES Grant (see above)

5. Adjourn

- a. Meeting adjourned at 4:29 PM

Next meeting is August 22, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. at the Monterey County Department of Social Services, 1000 S. Main St., Suite 110, Salinas.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Allison Yant, DVCC Secretary