

**Governor’s Council on Domestic Abuse  
April 10, 2019**

**Present:** Kevin Hamberger, Sen. Andre Jacque, Nela Kalpic, Pat Ninmann, Susan Perry, Renee Schulz (by phone), Susan Sippel, Alena Taylor, Gerald Urbik

**Excused:** Senator Tim Carpenter

**Guests:** Arnitta Holliman (Rapha Wellness Institute, LLC), Amanda Powers (DOJ OCVS), Jake Griffith (DOJ OCVS)

**Staff:** Kaitlin Tolliver

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***Call to Order and Approval of Minutes***

Co-Chair Kevin Hamberger called the meeting to order, with a quorum present at 9:11 a.m. The minutes of the February 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted at 9:15 a.m.

***Presentation on Human Sex Trafficking***

Arnitta Holliman from Rapha Wellness Institute, LLC, presented on the human sex trafficking. The presentation is attached.

***Committee Reports***

**Access Committee:**

The Committee continued its efforts to unite on a specific topic. The meeting began with an activity where Committee member’s identified their personality styles based on the DISC Mini Assessment. The Committee discussed various gaps in services and focused their conversation on tangible ways they could impact the gaps. A determination was made to move forward on a project to bring more diversity to Board of Directors. The Committee will utilize the Anti-Oppression manual to create training materials for Boards and work to diversity Board membership.

**Budget Committee**

The Committee discussed follow-up activities to support the Fair Minimum budget. The Committee plans to create supporting documentation to the Fair Minimum that would cover (1) the cost of turnover and hiring new employees, (2) benefits of retaining employees (which will discuss both the impact on clients and agencies), (3) the need to work towards economic justice, and (4) the importance of demonstrating the value/worth of the work. Staff for the Committee will work on starting the supporting documentation and will distribute to Committee for review.

The Committee continues to research Worker’s Compensation classifications for shelter employees in other states. The Committee gathered classifications from 7 other states and reviewed. It appears that the NCCI states (states using the national coalition) and some that are not in NCCI, are using the same worker’s compensation code (8842). Since other states are using the same code, it is unlikely that WCRB will be willing to change Wisconsin’s shelter worker classification. Even so, the Budget Committee noticed that the other states’ actual rate for 8842 is significantly less than that of Wisconsin’s. The Committee will request that Tad Cleveland from WCRB attends our next meeting to follow up and discuss potential options.

**Legislative and Policy Committee:**

The Committee completed an interactive exercise to brainstorm content for the project groups (Best Practices, Definitions, Pamphlets, and Roadmap) that will be expand upon to create a best practice guide

for the revocation process. This information will be organized and shared out to the Committee prior to the next meeting.

***Legislative Update***

Chase Tarrier from End Abuse was unable to attend. Update is attached.

***Discussion on Statewide Prevention Initiative – Council’s Vision***

Co-Chair, Kevin Hamberger, led the Council in a discussion about domestic violence prevention services. The marketing group (CMR) working with End Abuse on the Statewide Prevention Initiative has reached out requesting a meeting with the Council and an opinion on where the Council see’s prevention work in the future. The Council requested that the group be invited to the next Council meeting.

***Presentation on VOCA Funding Updates***

Amanda Powers from the Department of Justice Office of Crime Victims Service presented on VOCA Funding. The presentation is attached.

***Public Comments***

None

The meeting adjourned at 12:23 p.m.