MINNESOTA JUDICIAL BRANCH FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Family Violence Coordinating Council

March 10, 2021 Zoom meeting Full Council Meeting 12:15 – 1:30 PM

Fourth Judicial District Family Violence Coordinating Council Serving Hennepin County

Present: Shereen Askalani, Lila Bolke, Jackie Braun-Lewis, Amithini Keefe, Rachel Kraker, Allison Likens, Siri Lokensgard, Penny McTigue, Melynda Nelson, John Phung, Jessica Rahier, Rachel Ratner, Cece Rude, Brittany Seidel, Elsa Swenson, Kari Torborg, Anna VonReuden, Maggie Vickerman

1. Welcome

Committee co-chairs Referee Holly Knight and Judge Shereen Askalani welcomed the group.

2. Approve February Meeting Minutes

February minutes approved as submitted.

3. Summary of Advocate/JO Listening Sessions

Referee Knight reviewed the feedback received from the Advocate/Judicial Officer listening sessions. Three sessions total were held in January and February. Advocates met for a pre-listening session and were then joined by judicial officers. Most judicial officers attended at least one of the sessions. Referee Knight also presented feedback from the listening sessions to the full Family Court bench at the March bench meeting. Referee Knight and Lila Bolke are working to implement changes in Family Court based on the feedback received.

4. Annual Report

The full council approved the 2021 Annual Report.

5. Committee Reports

The committees that have met this month provided updates.

Upcoming meetings: April 14th at 12:15 pm

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