



FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Family Violence Coordinating Council

November 8, 2018

Minutes

Fourth Judicial District Family Violence Coordinating Council Serving Hennepin County

Present: Chelmo, Patrick; Crockford, Carrie; Folkens, Bruce; Furnstahl, Referee Mike; Garcia, Judge Tamara; Golden, Naomi; Hogan, Elizabeth; Keefe, Amirthini; Lewis-Dmello, Angela; Manning, Judge Bruce; McTigue, Penny; Milgrom, Aaron; Morales, Lidia; Osborne, Erin; Ratner, Rachel; Saunders, Jennifer; Taylor, Jennifer; Wick, Kathy

1. **Welcome:** Committee co-chairs Judge Garcia and Referee Furnstahl welcomed the group.
2. **Approve October 11, 2018 Minutes:** Minutes approved as submitted.
3. **Committee reports:**
 - a. **Civil:** Jennifer Taylor said that the committee met in October and recapped a training that was held in October on taking testimony from children in DV cases. They also talked about the roles of advocates when they appear with clients on OFP cases (what they can and can't do), changes at DASC, and the relocation of DAP. There will be a training led by Referee Knight and Vanessa Foster from Tubman to talk about OFPs vs. emergency filings at the FJC over the noon hour.
 - b. **Criminal:** Jennifer Saunders reported that the group met in October and talked about the success of the resource fair and the CLE. They also discussed the December CLE which will be led by Judges Kappelhoff and Robben to talk about firearms surrender and DV. They also talked about creating DV specialty courts and diversionary programs. The next step is to engage community partners. The topic will be raised at the next DV Steering Committee meeting.
 - c. **Juvenile:** No representative was available from this committee.
 - d. **Advocates:** Rachel Ratner reported that the committee did not meet last month.
4. **Announcements/Open Forum:**

No announcements at this time.
5. **Review current strategic plan and statute:**

Katie Brey reviewed the previous year's strategic plan and asked the group to review the statute. After this, there was round table discussion on three questions (how can we better fulfill the purpose of the FVCC as defined in MN Statute 484.79; what actions of the Council have added value to how your agency handles issues surrounding DV; what topics or presenters would you like to see at future Council meetings).

Future Agendas

December 13, 2018 – Approve Strategic Plan

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