

**Family Violence Coordinating Council
December 14, 2017 Minutes**

Present: Avalon, Stephanie; Blace, Joan; Brey, Katie; Coy, Erica; Fraser, Melissa; Furnstahl, Referee Mike; Golden, Naomi; Jacobson, Michelle; Lewis-Dmello, Angela; Milgrom, Aaron; Morales, Lidia; Nelson, Melynda; Osborne, Erin; Schwartz, Lori; Taylor, Jennifer; Twogood, Ben; Weinstein, Michael; Wilson, Kate

1. **Welcome:** Referee Mike Furnstahl, co-chair
2. **Approve November 9th, 2017 minutes:** Minutes approved.
3. **Review and approve 2018 FVCC Strategic plan**
Referee Furnstahl discussed objective one of the Strategic Plan. He will be meeting with the City of Minneapolis Police Chief in January to discuss the surrender of weapons in protection order cases. A motion was made to approve the 2018 Strategic Plan and the motion carried.
4. **DV court changes:** Lidia Morales
Lidia presented on changes to the DV calendar in January 2018. Sentencing and pretrial are currently courtroom 1159 in the morning and arraignments are in the afternoons. Arraignments will move to the morning at PSF in courtroom 141 at 10:30 am.
5. **SuperBowl updates:** Katie Brey
Katie gave an update about the SuperBowl and how it will impact operations. Domestic calendars will be held in family court. She encouraged people to think about how they will get victims downtowns if there are mandatory hearings and to look at the MTC website about changes to public transportation and road closures. The calendars that week will be cut except for mandatory calendars and the signing judge will also be available. Slides regarding the SuperBowl are attached to the minutes.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Advocates Committee:** Stephanie Avalon reported that they met the last Tuesday of November. They met with WATCH and Wilder, who are working together on research to determine the extent of victim satisfaction with the courts and the WATCH program.
 - b. **Civil Committee:** Jennifer Taylor reported that they did not meet last month.
 - c. **Criminal Committee:** Michelle Jacobson reported they are sponsoring a presentation from Tubman/Chrysalis with one CLE credit being earned on January 10th in Room 319 at City Hall from 12:15-1:30 pm. They are planning bi-monthly presentations in 2018. Please let her know if there are organizations that would like to present at these meetings.
 - d. **Juvenile Committee:** Lori Schwartz reported they met on Tuesday and discussed the resource fair. It didn't have as much traffic as they would like but the CLE session was well attended. They would like to pass on the resource fair to an honorary chair instead of a committee running the event. Another thought is that the FVCC could take on the resource fair instead of just the Juvenile Committee. They will discuss this further in the New Year.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 4, 2018 12:15 PM

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