## **Family Violence Coordinating Council**



August 11, 2016 Minutes Hennepin County Government Center – C1291 Full Council Meeting12:15 – 1:30 PM

**Present:** Adamson, Karen; Anderson, Judge Jamie; Black, Mary (sitting in for Anne Gaash); Brey, Katie; Garcia, Liza; Hays, Kristin; Holton Dimick, Judge Martha; Jacobson, Michelle; Lewis-Dmello, Angela; Milgrom, Aaron; Nelson, Melynda; Ratner, Rachel; Schneider, Torrie; Thunder-Soloranzo, Margaret; Tiger, Alexandra; Walsh Kern, Amy.

- **1. Welcome** Judge Holton Dimick welcomed new co-chair Judge Anderson and members introduced themselves.
- 2. June 9, 2016 minutes Approved.
- **3. Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking of Juveniles:** Sgt. Grant Snyder, Minneapolis Police Department, presented information on the history and current status of Safe Harbors and Operation Guardian Angel. He highlighted issues that negatively impact juveniles who are trafficked (homelessness; lack of resources for families of returning rescued victims; inability to hold juveniles in a safe place unless they are charged with a non-sex crime; conflict between rescuing a victim and gathering enough information to prosecute a trafficker).

## 4. FVCC Committee Reports

Advocates – Per an email update from Stephanie Avalon, advocates did not meet this month. Child/Juvenile – Per Margaret Thunder-Soloranzo, the meeting was cancelled.

Civil – Aaron Milgrom reported that committee members gave updates and did not discuss new business.

Criminal – Michelle Jacobson reported that the Criminal and Child/Juvenile Committees are working on their annual fall event, confirmed for October 5. Committee members are planning a CLE about the intersection between mental health and domestic violence.

**5.** Announcements and Open Forum - There were no announcements or new open forum discussions.

## **Future Agenda Items**

Legislative update – September 8, 2016 FCEP quarterly update – October 13, 2016 Strategic planning – November 10, 2016

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