



Family Violence Coordinating Council

December 11, 2014 Minutes
Hennepin County Government Center
C1291 Executive Conference Room
12:15 – 1:30 PM

Fourth Judicial District Family Violence Coordinating Council Serving Hennepin County

MINUTES

1. Welcome – Judge Cutter

2. Approve November 13, 2014 Minutes

Motion approved.

3. Approve New FVCC Voting Member Appointments – Judge Cutter

Motion approved to recommend new voting members to the chief judge.

Karen Adamson – health care

Ann Gaasch – FamilyWise

Lidia Morales – court administration

Shiloh Bute –Tubman

Carrie Scardigli – corrections

Eva Wood – OutFront

Angela Willms – Juvenile Court

Melissa Fraser – public defender, adult

Sarah Clyne – DAP

Torrie Schneider – suburban prosecutor

4. FVCC Google Calendar – Brynn Rhodes

Calendar entries may be done by any FVCC Executive Committee member. The purpose of the calendar is to increase communication regarding training available and other information about FVCC.

5. Discuss Strategic Goal 8.c – Judge Cutter

A flyer would increase visibility internally and externally about FVCC. A workgroup will meet to propose a county board briefing regarding the FVCC statute, its responsibilities and presentation. Judge Cutter, Referee Moses, Michael Weinstein, Brynn Rhodes, Christy Snow-Caster and Nancy Peters volunteered to serve on the workgroup.

6. Violent Crime Hotspot in Minneapolis – Michelle Jacobson

Tabled until January. There is a strong correlation between guns, drugs and domestic violence in various hotspots.

7. Recap of 2014 Strategic Plan Goals – Referee Moses

A brief recap of the status of the goals includes:

Goal 1: Family Court Enhancement Project (FCEP) is progressing slowly. FCEP goals are being finalized in order to apply for funding. Focus group meetings have occurred and a survey of the judicial officers is in progress.

Goal 2: The FCEP grant will address this.

Goal 3: A committee met regarding child protection and Family Court interactions. A county review is now underway about child safety as well as the Governor's task force.

Goal 4: The latest research was presented at the Fall Bench Retreat and at the Resource Fair CLE, both in October.

Goal 5: FVCC committees have promoted and provided training throughout 2014.

Goal 6: Preliminary contacts were made about justice stakeholders' access to court records. MGA is in the process of addressing the request and will take care of this issue in 2015.

Goal 7: The assessment tools survey was done and the workgroup plans to make recommendations in 2015.

Goal 8: Outreach was accomplished, except as noted above (item 5).

Goal 9: Executive Committee continues to strive to abide by FVCC bylaws.

8. Announcements / Open Forum

- 12/16/14 – Hearing regarding cameras in criminal court pilot
- 12/31 – Committee reports due for annual report
- FVCC Executive Committee meets 12/31/14 due to holiday on 1/1/15.

Future Agenda Items

Family Court Enhancement Project (FCEP)