

**Fourth Judicial District**

**Family Violence Coordinating Council - Serving Hennepin County**

**Present:** Avalon, Stephanie; Boswell, Verona; Chowdhury, Rumna; Clyne, Sarah; Fields, Sean; Garcia, Liza; Garcia, Judge Tamara; Hays, Kristin; Holton Dimick, Judge Martha; Kaul, Ann; Maldonado, Pamela; Milgrom, Aaron; Taylor, Jennifer; Thunder-Solorzano, Vickerman, Maggie; Wachter, Shannon

- 1. Welcome:** Judge Holton Dimick and Judge Garcia, co-chairs
- 2. Approve November 10, 2016 minutes:** Minutes approved
- 3. Draft FVCC Strategic Plan**
  - a. Reviewed Objective #1 of the Strategic Plan: Support the Family Court Enhancement Project (FCEP) to better address custody in Family Court cases with domestic violence.
    - i. No suggestions or feedback was given in terms of action item 1.1.
    - ii. Action item 1.2 is promoting the FCEP April 2017 event and all agreed that all FVCC members should be responsible for promoting the event.
  - b. Reviewed Objective #2 of the Strategic Plan: Provide and Promote Training.
    - i. Action item 2.1 would be difficult for the Juvenile committee to be responsible for as they don't have the time in their schedules at this time.
    - ii. Action items 2.2, 2.3 were briefly reviewed, no changes suggested.
    - iii. It was decided that action item 2.4 should be tabled until it can be discussed more with the committee chairs and the executive committee. A suggestion was made to form more ad hoc committees to further break down the work.
  - c. Reviewed Objective #3 of the Strategic Plan: The Executive Committee of the FVCC shall develop a system for evaluating effectiveness of its initiatives and programs in improving the coordination of activities and delivery of services and shall focus on identifiable goals and outcomes. An evaluation must include data components as well as input from individuals involved with family violence activities and services, victims, and perpetrators.
  - d. Reviewed Objective #4 of the Strategic Plan: Fill open membership on the
    - i. There are three spots to fill on FVCC. There are two education spots, and a law enforcement agency area to fill. We have education (2) and a law enforcement agency spots to fill on the FVCC. It was suggested to refer two agencies to Katie who are providing services to East

African/Somali community, in addition to law enforcement and education areas that have been mentioned before.

**4. FVCC Committee Reports**

- a. Civil
  - i. No updates from civil, their meeting was on Thanksgiving Day. Reschedule December's meeting, OFP emergency training will move from 1/13/17, this one will be for advocates. This will be a continuation and expansion on previous training. This is open to anyone who wants to attend.
- b. Judge Holton Dimick expressed concerns that advocates haven't been in court lately for DV cases. DASC has been short staffed, Tubman has a contract with DR and DA, covering both areas, there might be three calendars going at the same time, same number of cases, just getting split up differently.
- c. Advocate committee updated with issues for orders for protection
- d. Juvenile:
  - i. Update on the resource fair, discussed what tweaks to make for next year. This year over 25 agencies attended, including some that hadn't been there in the past.

**5. Any announcements/Open Forum**

- a. Suggested to have people give presentations at future meetings as not everyone knows each other or what each other's groups are doing.

**Next meeting: January 12, 2017**

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