Legal Process Committee of the San Mateo County Domestic Violence Council Meeting Minutes October 13, 2022

11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Location: Zoom Video Conference

<u>Present</u>: Jeniffer Alcantara (Superior Court), Laura Alvarez (ADZ Law), Lisa Bergman (Superior Court/FCS), Stephanie Bilinski (LASSMC), Tanya Both (Superior Court/ADR), Jeff Carr (SMC Sheriff), Charles Cavallino, Co-Chair (CORA), Theresa Dah (Probation), Jessica Dayton (ADZ Law), Melissa Gibbs (CORA), Jennifer Horne (LASSMC), Elisa Kuhl, Co-Chair (Victim Services), Morris Maya (District Attorney)

Also Present: Martin Fox, Linda Wolin, Lena Silberman, Bill Massey

ISSUES	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Adopt/Approve	Jennifer Horne moved to adopt resolution per AB 361. Jeffrey Carr	Approved
Resolution Re:	seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.	
Teleconference		
Meeting		
Adopt/Approve	Melissa Gibbs moved to adopt and approve the agenda. Jeffrey Carr	Approved
Agenda	seconded. Passed unanimously.	
Introductions and	Court: The court has added an additional DVPA calendar on Tuesday	Jeniffer will ask
Updates	PM and a Firearms Compliance calendar on Thursday AM. Both	Sara to attend
	calendars are heard by Commissioner Padilla. Sara Afu is taking over	future
	Karen Wilmes's role as manager of the Family Law Clerk's office.	meetings.
	Sheriff: Recent DV update training received by all staff. Updating	
	RIMS template for DV calls. Debriefing is ongoing from recent DV homicide in San Carlos.	
	<u>Family Court Services</u> : Currently hiring for a CCRC. Services continue to be remote, with some limited exceptions.	
	<u>CORA</u> : CORA has set times for those needing in person crisis	
	support: 9 AM to 12 PM and 2 PM to 4 PM on Tuesdays,	
	Wednesdays, and Thursdays. CORA will be holding a fundraising	
	event for their 45 th Anniversary on October 19 th .	
	<u>Victim Services</u> : Unit is now fully staffed. One victim advocate will	
	be assigned to contacting all victims where the criminal case is being	
	rejected and where there have been RO violations.	
	District Attorney: DDA Dominique Davis joins the felony DV team.	
	DDA Negeen Abrishamcar is working on training for DV	
	investigations.	
	<u>LASSMC</u> : Office is now open during regular business hours for walk-	
	ins and document pick-up and drop-off.	
	<u>Probation:</u> There has been a recent spike in referrals that the team is	
	working through, likely due to rescheduled matters.	
	ADZ Law: The San Mateo County Trial Lawyers Association is	
	having a fundraiser next week. ADZ also provided updates regarding	
	AB 2777, which extended the statute of limitations for civil claims for	
	damages due to a sexual assault on or after 1/1/2009 and revived	
	expired claims.	
	Rally: Rally could not attend due to staffing issues but provided	
	Charles C. with their update. Parents are being given intakes but may	
	be offered virtual instead of in-person visits due to staffing, parents	

Review/Adopt Minutes from	that refuse are on a waiting list for in-person. Goal is to open up Sundays soon. Rally will send reports to the court on delays and refusals. They are having a fundraiser on October 20 th for those interested. Elisa Kuhl moved to adopt the minutes. Jeff Carr seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.	Approved
7/14/2022 meeting		
Carry Over Items	a) DV Trainings for Judges: No update at this time.b) DV Protocol Revisions: Awaiting decision on funding proposal that was submitted for providing services to minors living in homes with domestic violence.	Elisa will follow up with the DVC and Callagy.
New Business	a) SB 320 Implementation: Chief Inspector Bill Massey presented on the San Mateo County Gun Violence Prevention Program that is currently being formulated. Anticipated start date is 11/1/2022. Establishes a task force to receive referrals from the court and community partners on prohibited persons that are not in compliance with firearms prohibitions and to follow up on DOJ lists. Email referrals will be reviewed Monday – Friday. Task force detectives will coordinate with local police departments where the prohibited person resides on enforcement efforts. This program is what funded the new DV calendar as well.	
	b) Meeting dates for 2023: Proposed dates are January 12, April 13, July 13, and October 12. January meeting will be via Zoom but we might return to in-person meeting later in the year, will be following DVC's lead.	Approved.
	c) Workplan for 2023 – 2025: Reviewed the prior workplan and identified it is still applicable. Discussed possibility of encouraging other collaborators to attend the meeting such as Behavioral Health Services, Children and Family Services, Private Defender Panel, Judicial Officers, etc.	Melissa to contact BHS and CFS. Charles to contact PDP and Presiding Judge.
Work Plan Reports	a) Civil-Criminal Crossover: CORA and Victim Witness Advocates recently met to provide a tour of CORA's community office and to discuss coordination of services. CORA and DDAs are also in the process of discussing LE trainings for DV investigations.	
	b) DV Firearms Compliance Unit: Discussed previously.	
	c) Judicial Bench Card: No update.	
	d) Law Enforcement DV Protocol Update: No update.	
	e) Protective Orders: Jennifer Horne raised an issue where law enforcement is refusing to provide victims with copies of their police reports if the victim is a minor or if a minor is even	Jenny/ADZ will draft a letter for the

	referenced in the report. This does not comport with the law, which only prohibits the release if the suspect is a minor. Discussed the possibility of sending a letter from LPC to County Counsel regarding the matter. Court is also seeking feedback on the Tuesday calendars.	committee to review/approve if determined be the best approach.
	f) Allocation of Court Resources: Concerns raised regarding appointment wait times and turnaround for electronic filings to be processed. Clerk's office is understaffed at this time and working to fill positions. There is a new supervisor as well. g) Courtroom Safety: No issues.	
Public Comment	Mr. Fox presented on the CARE Court System that was recently enacted through SB 1338. Seven pilot countries are starting next October, the rest will follow by December of 2025. Linda Wolin from Supervisor Pine's office and Lena Silberman from Supervisor Horsley's office discussed how both offices have been working on gun violence prevention efforts. There is an upcoming press conference on October 18 th for the County to present these new programs.	

Next Meeting:

January 12, 2023 11:45am-1:15pm Zoom Video Conference