The Connecticut General Assembly



Domestic Violence Criminal Justice Response and Enhancement Advisory Council

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 29, 2024

ATTENDANCE: Senator Mae Flexer, Meghan Scanlon, Senator John Kissel, Representative Kai Belton, Representative Tammy Nuccio, Atty. Nancy Tyler, Daniel Karpowitz, Joe DiTunno, Marc Pelka, Merit Lajoie, Karen Foley O'Connor, Andrea O'Connor, Atty. Phyllis DiCara, Eulalia Garcia, Chief Roberto Rosado, Nancy Turner, Atty. Johanna Canning

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. Chairwoman Scanlon called the meeting to order at 12:38pm.
- II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS
- III. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 31ST MEETING MINUTES
 - a. A motion was made to approve the January 31, 2024 meeting minutes by Senator Flexer and seconded by Senator Kissel. The motion passed unanimously.
- IV. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

A. LAW ENFORCEMENT MODEL POLICY

- i. UPDATE
 - a. Chief Rosado discussed the updates to the statewide model policy that the subcommittee approved in January. Highlights include: updated links, updated statutory references, clarification that violations of restraining & protective orders now constitute an act of family violence, clarification around probable cause, clarification around internal investigations for officer-involved domestic violence cases, added language regarding statewide expansion of GPS monitoring, and updates to firearm-related laws.
- ii. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 17th MEETING MINUTES
 - a. A motion was made to approve the January 17th Law Enforcement Model Policy Subcommittee meeting minutes by Chairwoman Scanlon and seconded by Senator Kissel. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. ARREST WARRANTS & ORDERS OF PROTECTION: COMPLIANCE, ENFORCEMENT & OUTCOMES
 - i. UPDATE
 - a. Chairwoman Scanlon provided the following update from the previous subcommittee meeting on behalf of the subcommittee chairs - Discussed arrest warrant procedure from law enforcement perspective and will evaluate other stakeholder perspectives in the future; Reviewed address confidentiality form, which rolled out in Stamford Court, to allow victims to keep their address confidential on the protective order itself, but also allows

the Clerk to input the information they need to in the protective order registry, looking to make this process uniform across the state; Discussed protective order modification processes and need to create uniformity statewide, CCADV to survey advocates and share results at next subcommittee meeting.

b. Senator Kissel asked if there was a timeframe for implementation of address confidentiality on the protective order. Mr. DiTunno reported that the Judicial Branch has approved creation of a form to make the process uniform and it is being expedited.

C. OFFENDER INTERVENTION STANDARDS

- i. APPROVAL OF SUBCOMMITTEE FEBRUARY 27TH MEETING MINUTES
 - a. A motion was made to approve the February 27th Offender Intervention Standards Subcommittee meeting minutes by Chairwoman Scanlon and seconded by Atty. DiCara. The motion passed unanimously.
- ii. PRESENTATION OF STANDARD UPDATES FOR APPROVAL
 - a. Presentation made by subcommittee co-chair Mr. DiTunno; <u>click to view</u> <u>presentation slides</u>.
 - b. Discussion points included challenges and barriers, standards have become focused on the criminal justice system but the group needs to look to other systems who are working with offenders (e.g., child welfare, behavioral health, etc.), there is not an entity designated for quality assurance across intervention programs. The subcommittee does not believe that the standards can be updated at this time due to various barriers discussed.
 - c. The primary next step for the subcommittee is to develop and distribute a survey to all key state agencies and the Judicial Branch to better understand their available offender programming and whether that programming comports with the standards.
- iii. DISCUSSION ON SUBCOMMITTEE FOCUS
 - a. This will be determined once the above-mentioned surveys are completed.
- V. OTHER BUSINESS
 - a. Chairwoman Scanlon announced that Daniel Cargill, CCADV Director of Law Enforcement Services, would be moving on to a new opportunity at the end of the month. The group recognized and thanked him for his many years of leadership in strengthening the law enforcement response to domestic violence.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT OF TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- a. The next meeting of the full council will be Wednesday June 26th and include a presentation by Darren Mitchell of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges on orders of protection firearm monitoring and compliance best practices.
- VII. ADJOURNMENT
 - a. Motion to adjourn made by Senator Kissel, seconded by Ms. Lajoie. The meeting adjourned at 1:51 PM.

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