



Advisory Committee on Sexual & Domestic Violence

Deep Run Recreational Center
9900 Ridgefield Parkway
Henrico, Virginia 23233

DRAFT MINUTES — DRAFT MINUTES — DRAFT MINUTES OF August 17, 2016 Planning Meeting

Members Present

The Honorable Barbara Favola, Senate of Virginia
The Honorable David B. Albo, Virginia House of Delegates
Francine C. Ecker, Director, DCJS
Kristine Hall, Virginia Sexual and Domestic Action Alliance
Mary Vail Ware – Director of Programs, Office of the Attorney General
Chana Ramsey, Director, James House
Kristen Howard, Executive Director, Virginia State Crime Commission
Kathy Robertson, Associate Director of Homeless and Special Needs Housing, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development
Nancy Fowler, Program Manager of Office on Family Violence, Virginia Department of Social Services
Warren Rodgers, Executive Director, Citizens Against Family Violence
Autumn Jones, Director, Arlington County Victim/Witness Program
Kathy Anderson, Director, Empowerhouse
Mindy Stell, President, Virginia Victim Assistance Network

Members Absent

Melissa McMenemy, Statewide Facilitator for Victims of Domestic Violence
Office of the Attorney General
Heather Board, Manager, Injury, Violence and Tobacco Prevention Programs
Virginia Department of Health

1. **Call to Order.** Senator Barbara Favola, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. **Approval of past minutes.** None.
3. **Purpose of Meeting:** Director Ecker and Senator Favola indicated that the purpose of the meeting. Director Ecker conducted an ice breaker activity. The Advisory Committee's mission and statutory mandates were also reviewed.
4. **Agency Presentations:** Members were asked to make brief remarks regarding significant relevant activities in their respective areas of expertise or responsibility. Specifically, members were asked to:
 - Provide an overview of their role as it relates to sexual and domestic violence

- Provide information regarding task forces, committees, etc. focus of sexual and domestic violence
 - Identify the strengths and weaknesses of the statutory authority of your agency related to sexual and domestic violence
 - Offer any recommendations to improve processes as it relates to sexual and domestic violence
5. **Group Activity:** The Advisory Committee broke into smaller groups tasked with identifying strategies and recommendations related to: Data, Grants Administration, Prevention/Intervention and Services. The groups were asked to present the recommendations to the full Committee for additional discussion at the next meeting.
 6. **New Business.** None presented.
 7. **Public Comment.** No comments were made
 8. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m. The next meeting was scheduled for September 29, 2016.