



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Commission on Sensitive Crimes

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Tuesday, January 21, 2020

8:30 AM

ADRC, 2865 N Sherman Ave, Room 109

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#### A. Call To Order

**Present** 11 - SHANNON BARRY, AMY BROWN, Chair HEATHER CROWLEY, BETH FREEMAN, SHARYL KATO, Supervisor MAUREEN McCARVILLE, JAN MIYASAKI, KAT RILEY, ERIN THORNLEY-PARISI, Supervisor HAYLEY YOUNG, and VANESSA STATAM

**Absent** 2 - BARBARA MCKINNEY, and KERRY PORTER

Others present: Jennifer Ginsberg, Amy Scarr, Carrie Pomije, Dana Pellebon, Faye Zemel, Elsa Gumm, Jenny Rusch

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#) 2019\_1119 Commission on Sensitive Crimes Minutes  
[MIN-344](#)

**Attachments:** [2019\\_1119 COSC Minutes](#)

A motion was made by BARRY, seconded by THORNLEY-PARISI, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 9 - BARRY, CROWLEY, FREEMAN, McCARVILLE, MIYASAKI, RILEY, THORNLEY-PARISI, YOUNG and STATAM

**Absent:** 4 - BROWN, KATO, MCKINNEY and PORTER

#### C. Action Items

#### D. Presentations

#### E. Reports to Committee

1. Book Review - No Visible Bruises: What We Don't Know About Domestic Violence Can Kill Us - Amy Brown

*Amy Brown invited members to join the DA's Office book club. They read and review 2-3 books per year. She recommended the book "No Visible Bruises: What We Don't Know About Domestic Violence Can Kill Us" to members because it's concentrated training on DV and best practice.*

2. Update on LTE Hours

*Members requested a quarterly update.*

3. Revisit Goals for COSC - Heather Crowley

*The following were discussed:*

- Media breakfast – Crowley with check with Julie Johnson and SART then update Thornley-Parisi, Barry and Kato.*
- Strategic plan*
- Narrative, vision, talking points*
- Public messaging*
- Collaborating*
- Community organizing*
- Consumer feedback – Pellebon and Zemel (DAIS) are starting groups.*
- End Domestic Abuse WI (Jenny); WCASA (Ian Henderson); county lobbyist (Carrie Springer)*

#### 4. Legislative Update/Announcements

- McCarville reported that the public hearing held by the Subcommittee for Behavioral and Mental Health was well attended.
- Barry announced that DAIS is hiring a Director of Quality Assurance. There is reduced census in shelter due to funding capacity. DAIS is no longer a United Way participating agency. There is also reduced case management capacity.
- Kato suggested a presentation from Kids Forward.
- Miyasaki informed members about a hearing on SB 211 self-defense exemption at 11:00 tomorrow at the PP&J committee.
- Ginsberg reported that Safe Harbor interviewed 374 kids in 2019. They are in discussion about a satellite office in Sauk County.
- McCarville and Young noted that County Board Chair Corrigan and many other Supervisors have declined to run again so there will be a lot of turnover.
- Statam reported that Anesis is working to build relationships in the community through work in schools on trauma training, ACT parenting classes, staff training in therapy models, etc.
- Riley reported that there will be a full-time human trafficking detective in the special victims unit starting on February 10.
- Pellebon reported that RCC is currently working on finalizing a relationship with MMSD support services in middle and high schools, a YMCA MOU, and an MOU with MPD to assist victims at first meeting with police through SART.
- Freeman informed members about adult guardianship unit training for nonpaid volunteer guardians at the Alliant Energy Center in March to support them in their roles and help them understand boundaries in supporting individuals. There is a kickoff event tomorrow to support people with dementia and caregivers. The Department is in the process of hiring a Dementia Caregiver Specialist.
- Pomije noted that the VOCA grant has started.
- Kato suggested that COSC sponsor a sex trafficking defense legislation position paper. Crowley will check with Eve Dorman. Brown suggested checking with Dane County Lobbyist as well.
- Brown reported that the DA's Office had a presentation from Dr. Lynn Sheets from Children's Hospital of Milwaukee on January 9 about pediatric sentinel injuries – warning signs and fatal outcomes for kids. They felt it was an outstanding presentation. Two new victim witness case manager positions were posted on Friday and hope to hire by April 2.
- Kato noted that the Association of Professionals Against Abuse of Children have found that most therapists don't report emotional and psychological abuse because they don't think anything will be done about it.
- Crowley noted DCDHS is hiring a Trauma Informed Care Coordinator which is a new position.
- Thornley-Parisi gave an update on RCC advocates and licensed therapists.

#### Attendance Update

McKinney arrived at 9:35.

- Present** 12 - SHANNON BARRY, AMY BROWN, Chair HEATHER CROWLEY, BETH FREEMAN, SHARYL KATO, Supervisor MAUREEN McCARVILLE, BARBARA MCKINNEY, JAN MIYASAKI, KAT RILEY, ERIN THORNLEY-PARISI, Supervisor HAYLEY YOUNG, and VANESSA STATAM
- Absent** 1 - KERRY PORTER

5. CCR Updates:

- Child Abuse & Neglect:* Kato reported that subcommittees are meeting. The Child Abuse Steering Committee and CYF Consortium are concentrating on youth justice and initiatives. The Trauma Informed Advisory Council is reviewing feedback from the November summit and planning the 2020 summit.
- Intellectual Disabilities:* Pomije suggested Dr. Angie Marks as a presenter for the Trauma Summit. The CCR is meeting today and having a presentation about volunteer guardians for 50 and older.
- Domestic Violence:* Zemel reported that they are planning the annual retreat scheduled for the end of February and goal setting.
- Elder Abuse:* Scarr reported that the DV in Later Life Subcommittee is planning the October conference. The theme is past trauma is present – trauma relating to dementia. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is June 15.
- Sexual Assault:* Pellebon is working on rebuilding the CCR. They have moved the meeting location to neighborhood house and are reaching out to engage people. Also working on a mission statement and work plan. Miyasaki noted a training that will be held the 1st Friday in October at American Family with a focus on victims with intellectual disabilities and guardianships.

**F. Future Meeting Items and Dates**

*Next meeting: Tuesday, February 18, 8:30 a.m., ADRC*

**G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**

**H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law**

**I. Adjourn**

**A motion was made by KATO, seconded by THORNLEY-PARISI, that the meeting be adjourned at 10:10 a.m. The motion carried by a voice vote.**

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Dawn MacFarlane pending Commission approval.*