

**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT
155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
Wednesday, March 14, 2001, 5:30 p.m.**

Commissioners Present:

Sam Stevens, Chair
Melissa Berrengue for Michele Samis
Larry Biggam
Jane Brune
Pat Ellerby
Paula Gammell for John Rhoads
Anita Henri
Christine McGuire
Francine Nickell

Celia Organista
Francesca Raphael
Steve Robbins for Mark Tracy
Jennifer Rose for Dee O'Brien
Barbara Schaller
Mary Simoni
Heidi Simonson
Linda Starn

Commissioners Absent:

JoAnn Allen (Excused)
Steve Belcher
Mary Benitez
Vicki Dyas
Lisa Gifford
Alan Hiromura (Excused)

Loretta Kuechle (Excused)
Gail Levine
Laurie McWhorter
Heather Morse
Susan Myers

Others Present:

Kate Canlis
David Rabow
Brita Wilder Ross

Julie Schneider
Amy Sibiga

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Chair Sam Stevens. Introductions followed.

2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

There were no deletions or additions to the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes of February 14, 2001

Anita Henri asked that the February 14th minutes reflect that she made a request to Alan Hiromura (County Administrative Office representative) that the Commission be provided

a half-time staff person. On the motion of Henri and second by McGuire the minutes of February 14, 2001 were approved as submitted with the addition stated above.

4. Oral Communication from the Community

Sibiga distributed a flier entitled New Domestic Violence Statutes Update Training sponsored by the Statewide California Coalition for Battered Women. Sibiga also distributed copies of the minutes of the CPVAW meeting of January 31, 2001.

5. Consideration of the Financial Status of the Commission

a) History

b) County rules and procedures

c) Financial Planning

i) Future projects

ii) Relationship to the Board of Supervisors

A brief overview of the history, county rules and procedures was provided by the Executive Committee. A financial report prepared by Alan Hiromura was distributed (and is attached to these minutes). It was determined that there is presently a balance of \$958.13 in the Domestic Violence Commission Trust fund. Kate Canlis reported that George Ow said his contribution was not limited to the video and therefore that amount was moved to reach this total.

The Commissioners were reminded that if they wish to expend monies on behalf of the Commission that they must first submit their request to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will then make a decision regarding agendaizing the expenditure request. Finally, any action to expend funds must be approved by the Board of Supervisors before the debt is incurred.

A motion was made by Raphael and second by Starn for the Executive Committee to develop a budget in the amount of \$10,000 for submission to the Board of Supervisors. The proposed budget will be presented to Commissioners at the April 11, 2001 meeting. The motion passed.

6. Designation of Treasurer for Commission (Alan Hiromura).

The need to designate a Commissioner to act as Treasurer for the Commission was discussed. A motion was made by Henri seconded by Simoni that subject to Alan Hiromura acceptance, he be designated as Treasurer for the Commission. The motion passed.

7. Invoice of Amy Sibiga

This matter was referred back to the Executive Committee for their recommendations to

be considered at the April meeting.

8. The *Parents...Domestic Violence Hurts Your Children* brochure. Berrengé stated that she would seek funding from another source to finance the printing of the brochure.

9. Presentation by a Representative of the What Works! Keeping Children Safe in their Families and Communities Project.

No one from this organization was present. This item will be taken off the agenda.

10. Information Reports:

a) Executive Committee:

Submitted as item number 5.

b. Commissioner's Biography:

None was offered. Linda Starn, Jane Brune and Kate Canlis biographies will be placed on the April agenda to make their presentations.

11. Subcommittee Updates:

a) Education:

None was submitted.

b) Medical

Brune stated that the Medical Committee had met and reviewed the medical reporting video. She advised they are implementing ways to distribute the video to medical health practitioners.

c) Law Enforcement

Rabow stated he advised Tracy regarding changes to the Law Enforcement Protocol due to new legislation.

12. D.V. Web Site

Raphael inquired as to the status of the web site. This matter will be calendared for the April meeting.

13. Announcements/Oral Communication from Commissioners

None was offered.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. The next meeting will be April 11, 2001, in south County. The Chair will be responsible for locating a facility.

Approved by Commission on:

Submitted by:

Jeanne M. Rodriguez, Secretary
Domestic Violence Commission

Domestic Violence Commission (72-150)
 Monthly Financial Report Ending 2/20/01

Date	Description	Ref #	General		Remarks
			Fund	Video	
11/15/95	Ocean Chevrolet	DP13378	1,000.00		Donation received for public education.
9/21/98	Defensa De Mujeres	DP41533		1,386.37	Grant received from HSA by Defensa for video production.
9/21/98	Anonymous	DP41533	100.00		
10/10/98	Mark Tracy - Public Education	TR22290	(139.77)		
10/10/98	Harts - Public Awareness	TR22291	(602.10)		
10/29/99	Roland & Patricia Rebel	DP52565		250.00	Donation received for DV film.
10/22/99	George Ow Jr.	DP52565	500.00		Donation received for DV Commission.
2/14/00	SC County Medical Society	DP55582		2,000.00	
2/14/00	Misc	DP55582	100.00		
5/5/00	Community Foundation	DP57981		3,000.00	Donation for public education frm GSA Troop 1130.
8/15/00	City of SC CPVAW	DP60661		1,000.00	
	Balance of as 2/14/01		958.13	7,636.37	