

**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION**

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2007, 5:30 P.M.
SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY ROOM

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Bob Lee	Kathi Loughlin
Charles Molnar	Laura Segura
Alisha Favorite	Scott MacDonald
Dee O'Brien	Steve Robbins
Heidi Simonson	Todd Mayer
Irwin Joseph	Bob Spenser for Ofelia Gomez-Gratereaux
JoAnna Goodman	Candace Atkins
JoAnn Allen	

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED:

Ellen Timberlake	Alan Hiromura
Julie Schneider	Ofelia Gomez-Gratereaux

COMMISSIONERS UNEXCUSED:

Larry Biggam	Marianne Lindgren
Martina O'Sullivan	Patty King
Patrick Meehan	Tom Melkonian

OTHERS PRESENT:

Luanne Hult
Angie Garcia

1. **Call to Order.**
Chair Simonson called meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.
2. **Roll Call: Introduction of Members.**
Each Commissioner introduced him/herself. New Commissioners and Guest introduced themselves
3. **Additions/Deletions to Agenda.**
None

4. Approval of October Minutes.

Lee moves for approval of September Minutes
Seconded by Favorite
Motion passed by unanimous vote.

5. Oral Communications from the Community.

None

6. Old Business.

- A. By Laws- Meeting needs to be scheduled
- B. Working on finding providers, they are in the emailing stage, will have something to report sometime this month. Working on finding funding.
- C. Pacific Treatment Centers: Mary -Review Sheet Attachments
Started as a sex offender treatment program, in 1991 started the Batterer's Treatment Program. This is a 12-step program; they have about 30 clients in four groups all English speakers. Treatments are \$25-35/ session (depending on income). Evaluation consists of a one-hour conversation and background information.

7. New Business.

- A. Program Announcements: DV awareness –Skip
- B. Set Date Etc. for annual Retreat 2008: Find location at little or no cost for about 20 people from 4:30-7:30. Locations first choice is Central Fire on 17th ave Commissioner Lee will check on availability, second choice is Aptos Park Commissioner Segura will check on availability.
- C. Review of Retreat 2007 Goals:
 - 1. LE Training on TRO's: Covered TRO's are done; DA's are trained. Keep this item in the Agenda; we will continue to make it a piece of training. Summary from departments or what is being done? Law Enforcement agencies- would like other programs to partner up with L.E.A.
 - 2. District Attorney's Office-Update on video taping of witnesses: Commissioner Lee states that there is nothing to update and that commissioners should be a leader in this. We need to find out what the costs are and make it part of the protocol.
 - 3. See 8c

Moves to go to Board of Supervisors addressing safe connections and what the effects of losing them are to our community.

MacDonald advises to form a group and develop a possible solution before taking it to the board, advise second by Lee.

Modified Motion- Commission authorizes a subcommittee to address problem and develop a solution to bring to Board of Supervisors.

Two step process to authorize the "What" and the "Doing" Scott Seconds Chuck Third, every voting member agreed.

Chair Simonson leaves at 7:00 pm Commissioner Favorite proceeds.

8. **Task Forces and Committees**

- A. Report to the community: Put on next months agenda, discuss and report.
- B. Policy and Protocol
 - 1. L.E. Protocol: L.E. Protocol is finished. They need to take back protocol that was started and add suggestions form the attorney general.
 - 2. Medical: No meeting
- C. Educational Committee: Schedule a meeting for the Educational Committee to discuss what is going to happen.

9. **Announcements from Commissioners.**

Defensa Is holding the Clothes Line Project at the Sheriffs department 10/24/07 from 1:00-3:00 pm

By National Health Week-Salud Para La Gente -Friday 10/19/07 form 3:00-6:00pm there will be a march from the Watsonville plaza to St. Patrick's Church.

Commissioner Lee states that item 7. C. 2 will be a formal motion for next meeting.

10. **Adjournment.**

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.