# Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance August 13, 2021 Minutes 10:00 a.m. Zoom Meeting

Council Members present: Wes Somerton, Jodi Nafzger, Rachel Kaschmitter, Jessica Uhrig,

Laura Diaz, Clint Lemieux, Alan Boehme

ICDVVA Employees: Heather Cunningham, Dana Wiemiller, Kristina Larkin

## Wes Somerton, called the meeting to order at 10:03 am

#### 1. Action Item: Minutes from April 23, 2021 Meeting

Review and approval or revision of April 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes **Action Item:** Councilmember Somerton moved to approve the April 23, 2021 minutes. Councilmember Boehme seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

#### 2. New Council Member Introductions

The Legislature established the ICDVVA in 1982 (I.C. chp. 52, sec.39) and required that a diverse group make up the Council. (I.C. § 39-5201) Members shall be representative of persons who have been victims of domestic violence, care providers, law enforcement officials, medical and mental health personnel, counselors, and interested and concerned members of the general public Councilmembers introduced themselves and talked about the perspective they bring to the Council in relation to the statutory goals for membership listed above.

#### 3. Action Item: Election of Council Chair & Vice-Chair

Per the Council Bylaws, Article V, Section 1(b): Election and Term of Office: The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be elected by the members of the Council from among its membership. Each officer of the Council shall hold office for two (2) years or until the successor shall have been duly elected, or until their death, or until they shall resign, or shall have been removed. Duties of the Chair and Vice-Chair are set forth in the Bylaws, Art. V, Section

Councilmember Somerton moved to nominate Councilmember Nafzger for Councilmember Chair. Councilmember Jessica Uhrig seconded. Motion was unanimously approved after discussion.

Councilmember Nafzger moved to nominate Councilmember Kaschmitter for Councilmember Vice-Chair. Councilmember Jessica Uhrig seconded. Motion was unanimously approved after discussion.

# 4. Action Item: Revision of Bylaws Regarding Standing Committees and/or Formation of Bylaw Revision Subcommittee

Per the Council Bylaws, Article V, Section 5: Election and Term of Office: The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be elected by the members of the Council from among its membership. Each officer of the Council shall hold office for

Councilmember Somerton and Director Cunningham presented information on the Bylaws and the suggestion to form a Bylaw Revision Subcommittee. Councilmember Somerton will assist with establishing appointing a subcommittee. Councilmember Somerton moves to approve formation of Bylaw revision subcommittee. Councilmember Jessica Uhrig seconded. Motion was unanimously approved. Motion was unanimously approved.

## 5. Action Item: OIP Committee Appointments

Presentation by OIP Chair Wes Somerton and Dana Wiemiller for appointment of new OIP Committee members Erin Tomlin, Heidee McMillin, Kimberly Talbot. Councilmember Somerton moved to appoint Tomlin, McMillin and Talbot to the Committee. Councilmember Boehme seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

#### 6. Action Item: Set Public Input and Future Council/Strategic Planning Dates

Council discussed date for September 8, 2021 via Zoom for the Strategic Plan Meeting and feedback from programs 9:30-12:00 p.m. The Strategic Plan Meeting ideally in person will be on November 5, 2021. The Conference planning committee / RFP development will be on November 4, 2021 via Zoom and Councilmember Diaz and Councilmember Kaschmitter will join the Conference planning committee.

Quarter 4 Council Meeting will be via Zoom on December 3, 2021. Quarter 1 Council Meeting will be via Zoom on February 25, 2022. Quarter 3 Council Meeting will be via Zoom on April 29, 2022. 2022 Safety and Resilience Conference will be June 1 and 2, 2022. Quarter 3 Council Meeting will be in person July 21, 2022 depending on Pandemic status. Quarter 4 Council Meeting will be December 2, 2022 via Zoom.

Potential Roundtables meetings are scheduled for Region 1, July 29, 2022. Region 2, August 26, 2022, Region 3, April 15, 2022. Region 4, November 4, 2022. Region 5, May 17, 2022. Region 6, September 13, 2022. Region 7 September 15, 2022.

#### 7. Action Item: Policy Manual Revisions

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion regarding updated ICDVVA policies. Policies were reviewed in redline status by Council with changes discussed. Councilmember Somerton moved to approve the Policy Manual with revisions. Councilmember Boehme seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

8. Action Item: Negotiated Rulemaking Subcommittee or public input dates
Presentation by Director Cunningham & Dana Wiemiller; Council Discussion
Possible subcommittee, rule changes to funding formulas should be developed.
Councilmember Somerton indicated he would be willing to participate in the
negotiated rulemaking process. Councilmembers Uhrig and Nafzger indicated a
willingness to participate in the rulemaking process.

# 9. Annual ICDVVA Conference Report & 2022 Conference Planning

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion
Director Cunningham updated the Council on the 2021 Safety & Resilience
Conference There were 546 Registered attendees for the virtual conference/Gov.
kickoff. Some sessions are on the new Council YouTube Channel. Continuing
education credits are being prepared and sent out to conference attendees. Update
2022 Conference Committee & possible use of consultant. Councilmembers
Kaschmitter and Diaz volunteered to serve on the planning committee.

# 10. 2022 ICDVA Legislative Proposal

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion regarding proposed revisions to I.C. § 39-6316 and feedback on the process. Director Cunningham updated the legislative proposal and the process.

12:00 MST/11:00am PST Mid-day Lunch Break (1 hour)

## 11. Encumbrance for FY21 and DHW Relationship Update

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion
Director Cunningham updated the Council on the encumbrance for fiscal year 2021
reimbursements and the total amounts of FY21 contracts not fully paid during FY21.
Director Cunningham updated the relationship between the Council and the
Department of Health and Welfare.

#### 12. ICDVVA Financial & Grant Overview & FVPSA ARP Update

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion FVPSA ARPA Funding: One time award of \$629,043. First application cycle closed 8/12/21. Update on applications and plan to award remaining funds w/additional cycles VOCA & FVPSA Grant Applications/Amounts & balances; FY23 Budget Request

#### 13. VOCA Fix Update

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion regarding the passage of the VOCA Fix bill and the timing and impact to VOCA funded programs in Idaho. This bill adds a new source of revenue for the Crime Victims Fund and makes changes to formula grants supported by the fund. The bill directs revenues collected from deferred prosecution and non-prosecution agreements to be deposited into the Crime Victims Fund. The passing of this bill increases the percentage—from 60% to 75%—of state compensation payments to crime victims in the prior fiscal year used to calculate formula grants for state victim compensation programs. Finally, the bill directs states to waive the matching requirement for recipients of state victim

assistance formula grants during and for one year after a pandemic-related national emergency.

# 14. ICDVVA ARP Budget Request

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion Director Cunningham informed the Council on the ARP funding request to make additional funds available for subrecipients.

#### 15. Switch to Federal Fiscal Year for Federal Grant Funds

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion Discussion of the need & benefits of the switch; timing and impact on grant application and review cycle

2:30 p.m. Mid-Afternoon Break (15 minutes)

# 16. ICDVVA Schedule/Date Selection for Strategic Planning

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion

#### 17. Roundtable Reports

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion Director Cunningham gave reports on the Region Roundtable progress and discussed the the successes of collaborating and the take aways.

# 18. Road Trip Reports

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion Director Cunningham updated the Council on the trip to North Idaho and site visits with the programs in Northern Idaho.

# 19. ICDVVA Social Media Update

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion Director Cunningham discussed the progress made on creating a social media platform to promote and further the work of the Council.

#### 20. ICDVVA Collaboration, Groups & Partners update

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion

Director Cunningham reported on the progress made on collaborating with groups and partners working toward a similar cause or serving overlapping populations.

# 21. Data Dashboard Under Development

Presentation by Director Cunningham and Council Discussion

Director Cunningham discussed the progress Jessica Marshall has made obtaining the additional data collection for the demand in FY22 funding.

# **Standing Items:**

# 22. FY21 Update – Financial Report (Year to Date Grant Expenditures)

Presentation by Dana Wiemiller showing the year to date financials for the Council.

# 23. Reimbursement Tracking Update

Presentation by Director Cunningham on progress of tracking reimbursements.

# 24. Monitoring Update

Presentation by Dana Wiemiller reporting on the progress of monitoring programs to comply with requirements and address audit findings.

4:00 pm – Adjourn

Councilmember Uhrig moved to approve the legislative rulemaking subcommittee.

Councilmember Somerton seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

Adjourn/Jodi Naftzger