

COLORADO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

January 10, 2020

Attendance:

Domestic Violence Board Members:

Bradley Burbach, Brandy Walega, Erin Gazelka, Jackie List, Jeanette Barich, Jenifer Morgen, Jenna Willis, Jennifer Parker, Karen Morgenthaler, Kristiana Huitrón, Laura Bravo, Michelle Hunter, Nancy Olson, Nicole Collins, Raechel Alderete, Sandra Campanella, Stephanie Fritts

Domestic Violence Board Members Absent:

Tally Zuckerman

Staff Present:

Adrienne Corday, Carolina Thomasson, Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky, Elliot Moen, Jesse Hansen, Marina Borysov

Guests:

Alana Rumley, Ana Barrett, Ciasa Benner, Greg Schmidli, Kristanna Carrera, Sasha Cafaro, Tarikah Dixon, Xaviera Turner

Introductions

The meeting convened at 9:33am. Nancy Olson (Chair) called the meeting to order. The Domestic Violence Offender Management Board (DVOMB) members, staff, and guests gave introductions.

Jesse Hansen introduced a new Board member, Jeanette Barich, who is the new Mental Health representative to the Board.

Nancy Olson requested one modification to the agenda; the Data Collection Plan item is listed as a consensus item instead of a voting item.

There was consensus amongst the Board to modify the agenda to discuss and vote on the Data Collection item.

The Board reviewed the minutes for December.

Brandy Walega moved to accept the December minutes. Jenifer Morgen seconded the motion.

Discussion:

A Board member inquired about an announcement that was too vague on the December minutes from Jesse regarding a meeting to discuss instances where there is a civil case or a civil order. Jesse indicated that this was in regards to the Civil Workgroup that the Board authorized. He acknowledged the vagueness and agreed to change the language.

1. Brandy Walega amended her original motion to accept the December minutes as amended. Jenifer Morgen seconded the amended motion.

	Responses	
	Percent	Count
Yes	86.67%	13
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	13.33%	2
Totals	100%	15

Announcements:

- Staff Announcements:
 - Jesse Hansen announced:
 - The Board continues to wait for the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) Appointment.
 - At the December Board meeting, Jesse had requested Board members to read and fill out a Conflict of Interest Policy to allow for Board members to declare any conflicts of interest. Jesse reminded the Board to return those forms to him.
 - Staff published the Domestic Violence Offender Management Board (DVOMB) quarterly to all stakeholders. In the newsletter, there were Policy updates on Section 4.0 and 9.0, as well as a highlighted section on the annual Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board legislative report.
 - At the December DVOMB meeting, the Board ratified Section 4.0. Jesse notified the Board that the Board needs to determine an implementation date of when the changes become effective. In Section 9.0, the changes were implemented on January 1, 2020. Jesse suggested to begin implementing Section 4.0 on July 1, 2020.
 - Marina Borysov announced the following updates regarding training events:
 - In late December 2019, call for papers for the Annual Domestic Violence & Sex Offender Management Board (DVSOMB) Conference was announced. The DVSOMB Conference is scheduled for July 14 – 17, 2020.
 - The DVOMB winter/spring training announcement was emailed out in the quarterly newsletter.
 - DV 102 DV Offender Evaluation Training, February 2020 – Online
 - Lunch & Learn – New Section 4.0 Revisions, February 2020 – Online
 - DV 103 DV Offender Treatment Training, March 2020 – Online
 - DV 101 DVRNA Training, May 2020, Colorado Springs/Pueblo
 - DV 200 Community Roundtable Discussion, May 2020, Colorado Springs/Pueblo
 - Carolina Thomasson announced:
 - That the updated DVOMB applications are near completion with the new Section 9.0 requirements.
 - The Application Review Committee (ARC) reviewed 10 Intent to Apply applications, one (1) Move-Up application, and one (1) Full Operating Level application.

Board Announcements

There were no announcements from the Board.

Future Agenda Items

Brandy Walega inquired about her previous request regarding the Victim Advocacy Committee (VAC) discussion item. Jesse Hansen confirmed the request would be on the agenda for the February Board meeting.

DVOMB Data Collection Plan: (Handout)

At the December meeting, the Board reviewed a proposed data collection system under development by the Office of Information Technology, within the Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS). This item was tabled in order to give the Board time to contemplate any questions or feedback prior to voting. Staff recommended that Approved Providers who are not providing information through ReliaTrax would be required to utilize the system that is under development in order to submit data. Approved Providers using ReliaTrax would not be required to utilize the system being developed. The Board gave the following suggestions to the Data Collection Plan¹:

- In the paragraph above Question 1, the language refers to this data collection as an online survey and a data collection entry:
 - Response - Changed wording to reflect “data entry”
 - Staff noted that this field would track case numbers with County designations
- In Question 6 – The Board agreed to separate “Gay & Lesbian” for proper data collection;
- In Question 8 – The Board agreed to change wording to “Age at start of treatment”;
- In Question 9 – The Board agreed to:
 - Add “dating” as an option
 - Allow for respondents to check all that apply
 - Add wording for the question Marital Status to the Unidentified Victim
 - Remove response for Never Married
- Question 10 – The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 11 – The Board Agreed to add “Vocational Trade School” and “Doctorate Degree” as an option;
- In Question 12 – The Board agreed to:
 - Add “strangulation, stalking, harassment, menacing with a weapon and attempted murder”.
 - Add two columns to distinguish charges versus convictions
 - Remove the “adjudication” wording since that pertains to juveniles
- In Question 14 – The Board agreed to remove the word “Broken”;
- In Question 15 – The Board agreed to:
 - Change wording from *What* to *Were*
 - Use language “violation of protection order”
 - Ask if there was a weapon used
- In Question 15(2) – The Board agreed to add “Law Enforcement Summary Report” as an option;
- In Question 16 – The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 17 – The Board agreed to remove the score;
- In Question 18 – The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 19 – The Board agreed to:
 - Remove “Date evaluation summary provided to referral source”
 - Move “Date evaluation completed” to follow “Date of Evaluation began”
- In Question 16(3) – The Board agreed to keep subsection B and C;

¹ Please note that there were errors in the numeration of the questions which is why there are some duplicate numbers.

- In Question 17 – The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 18 - The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 19 – The Board agreed to only have total absences during the length of treatment;
- In Question 20 - The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 21 – The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 22 - The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 23 - The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 24 – The Board agreed to:
 - Separate “language, gender identification and family needs” into their own questions and move those questions to the demographic section of the data collection form
 - Include additional questions related to cultural self-identification and the offenders language(s)
- In Question 25 – The Board agreed to remove this question as that data can be obtain from ReliaTrax;
- Question 26 - The Board agreed to remove this question;
- Question 27 – The Board agreed to remove this question;
- Question 29 - The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 30 – It was noted that Treatment Victim Advocates (TVA’s) are not required to disclose if they are working with a specific victim. The Board agreed to:
 - Add language “Did the victim opt in for TVA services, of known?”
- Question 31 - The Board agreed to remove this question;
- Question 32 - The Board agreed to remove this question;
- Question 33 – The Board agreed to remove this question;
- In Question 34 – The Board agreed to remove the first and second column.
 - Suggestion to have initial and final
 - Suggestion to have this question as optional not a requirement to answer

2. Jenifer Morgen moved to approve the Data Plan as amended. Raechel Alderete seconded the motion.

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	94.12%	16
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	5.88%	1
Totals	100%	17

Section 1.0 –Introduction and DVOMB Purview:

Board member, Erin Gazelka, requested that the Board explore the needs for adding more clarification regarding which populations fall under the purview of the DVOMB and are subject to the *Standards*. The Department of Corrections (DOC) interpret that certain populations of DOC inmates on the *Standards* do not apply to them.

Jesse Hansen announced that the staff is in support of clarifying the *Standards* to identify what populations are required to follow the *Standards*. This will also require consultation with the Division of Criminal Justice (DCJ) Attorney General representative Ingrid Barrier.

There was consensus amongst the Board to allow the Executive Committee to determine next steps on handling this discussion item.

Committee Charter Updates: (Handout)

Jesse Hansen announced at the December meeting that there was discussion amongst the Board to merge the Standards Revision Committee with the Domestic Violence Treatment Provider Committee (DVTPC).

The handout is a draft revision of the Committee Charter specifies what expectations there are for that committee going forward.

Discussion:

- The ARC is working on a document regarding E-Therapy and developing a framework to do a pilot. However, in the handout for DVTPC there is language of prohibition against E-Therapy. Staff clarified that the current prohibition against E-Therapy (Appendix I) would continue until the exploratory study is complete and contingent upon the Board changing this mandate.

3. Jenifer Morgen moved to approve the revised Standards Revision Committee Charter. Erin Gazelka seconded the motion.²

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100.00%	14
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	0.00%	0
Totals	100%	14

Lunch and Learn: Human Trafficking:

January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month and in recognition of this, Master Trooper Christopher Warren of the Colorado State Patrol (CSP) conducted a training on human trafficking.

Parole Board Release Guidelines: (Handout)

Jesse Hansen informed the Board that Kristen Hilkey, Chair of the State Parole Board requested a training on domestic violence risk and risk assessment. At the request of the Parole Board, Staff developed a one-page document that outlines the discretionary release guidelines for the Parole Board to consider when making decisions for offenders.

Although the DVOMB does not have any purview over the Parole Board, Staff sought feedback from the Board on the drafted guidelines.

Discussion:

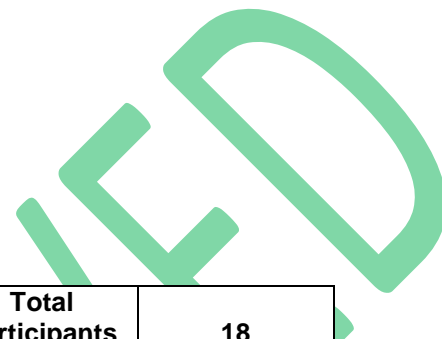
- The Parole Board does not have a lot of information at the time that they make these decisions. A suggestion was to focus on those risk factors that where the information will be contained within their criminal history records.

² Nicole Collins, Bradley Burbach and Jackie List had left the meeting prior to this vote.

- Board member suggested allowing the Parole Board to review the drafted guidelines and to obtain their feedback.
- One Board member expressed concerns for releasing offenders early in order to go through treatment. It was asked if the offender could start treatment while incarcerated?
- Staff indicated that this did come up as a possible means for using E-Therapy, specifically for incarcerated setting where the DVOMB typically does not have purview.
- It was noted that the interview questions were framed in a way that could allow for a high risk and psychopathic offenders to manipulate the process by portraying themselves as positive and no longer a threat to the community.

Adjourn at 1:35PM

Respectfully submitted by,
Adrienne Corday



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Last Name	First Name	Q1	Q2	Q3
Burback	Brad	1	1	-
Walega	Brandy	1	1	1
Gazelka	Erin	1	1	1
List	Jackie	1	1	-
Morgan	Jenifer	1	1	1
Willis	Jenna	1	1	1
Morgenthaler	Karen	1	1	1
Parker	Jennifer	1	1	1
Huitron	Kristana	-	1	1
Bravo	Laura	1	1	1
Raechel	Alderete	-	1	1
Hunter	Michelle	3	1	1
Olson	Nancy	3	1	1
Campanella	Sandra	1	1	1
Fritts	Stephanie	1	3	1
Collins	Nicole	1	1	-
Barich	Jeanette	1	1	1