

**Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Council  
General Meeting  
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Room 739  
Minutes of September 15, 2015 Meeting**

1. **Call to Order by – Michele L. Daniels**  
The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m.
  
2. **Minutes Approval for July 21, 2015**  
Minutes of July 21, 2015 were approved
  
3. **Announcements**
  - Sally Lokey announced that a holistic healing arts retreat will be held in two weeks, invited all to attend, flyers for the event are available
  - Rick Kenworthy announced that ABIP’s annual conference will be held in March 2016 and their 40hour DV training will be held at Homeboy Industries facility beginning Saturday, September 19, 2015
  - Christy Tourek announced that the “Domestic Violence Later in Life Day of Action” will be held on October 13, 2015 at the Los Angeles City Hall
  
4. **Project Highlights:** Araceli Campos, Public Safety Report, City of Los Angeles Commission on Status of Women
  - Ms. Campos provided an overview of The Report on the Status of Women and Girls and Executive Directive Order No.11, Gender Equity in City Operations
  - The City of Los Angeles is one of the first cities to adopt the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women(CEDAW)
  - Plans to achieve gender parity and create a system that can be utilized by all
  
5. **Presentation Panel:** “The Intersection of Domestic Violence and Foster Care in lives of LGBTQ Youth”  
**Terra Slavin, Esq., Deputy Director of Public Policy and Community Building, Los Angeles LGBT Center**  
**Mieko Failey, Esq., Staff Attorney and Manager of the Domestic Violence Legal Advocacy Project, Los Angeles LGBT Center**  
**Anny Hsu, Training and Coaching Instructor, RISE (Recognize, Intervene, Support, Empower), Children, Youth & Family Services, Los Angeles LGBT Center**
  - The panel of presenters provided Information regarding LGBTQ youth who experience DV and are in foster care
  - LA LGBT Center is working in providing further research, training and advocacy for the youth

6. **Executive Board Report** – Michele L. Daniels
- The DVC Executive Board met on September 10, 2015
  - Betty Fisher Awards and Resource Fair October 20, 2015
  - Male Victims/Survivors Task Force was discussed
  - Announced the Betty Fisher Award recipient, Terra R. Slavin and the Certificate of Recognition Award recipient, La Dawn J. Best

7. **Committee and Task Force Reports as needed** –  
Written reports submitted by Committee Co-Chairs

**Legislative Issues** – *Michael Gargiulo, Co-Chair*

Written report submitted

- The Legislative Committee met for September 3, 2015
- Next meeting November 2, 2015

**Committee on System's Improvement** – *Rachelle M. Neshkes, Co-Chair*

No written report submitted

- The CSI committee met on September 10, 2015
- Next meeting October 8, 2015

**LGBT Issues** – *Mieko Failey, Co-Chair*

No Written report submitted

- The LGBT Committee met on September 8, 2015
- Discussed the presentation topic for the September 15, 2015 General Meeting
- Discussed the recent DV related death of an L.A. County Sheriff deputy
- Discussed the Betty Fisher Award recipients
- Feedback pertaining to the DV and the Transgender Training was received
- Next meeting November 10, 2015

**Religion & DV Issues** – *Bernita Walker, Co-Chair*

Written report submitted

- The Committee met on August 25, 2015
- Reviewed and finalized the September 2, 2015 Training held at the California Endowment
- September 22, 2015 meeting canceled
- Next meeting October 27, 2015

**Immigration Committee** – *Monica Kane, Co-Chair*

No written report submitted

- The committee met this morning, September 15, 2015
- The Safety Plan Pamphlet has been translated into Armenian, by the Institute

- of Multicultural Counseling and Education (IMCES) and Korean language translation is being translated by the Center for Pacific Asian Family
- Discussed trainings for the Department of Public Health
- Discussed U Visa Certification Process
  
- Next meeting October 20, 2015

**Shelter Director's Committee** – *Co-Chair – TuLynn Smylie*

No written report submitted

- The Shelter Directors met July 21, 2015
- Discussed Sheriff Jim McDonnell's briefing/presentation made to the General members and discussed Domestic Violence Awareness month activities
- Next meeting October 20, 2015

8. **Public Comments: Not to exceed two minute per person - NONE**
9. **Matters not on the Posted Agenda to be presented and placed on a future Agenda - NONE**
10. **Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.**

Submitted by:

Olivia G. Rodriguez  
Executive Director  
Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Council

11/17/15  
DATE APPROVED

GM Minutes for September 15, 2015

## **MEMBERS PRESENT September 15, 2015**

### **Public Members**

LA County District Attorney's Office

LA County Probation Department

LA City Commission on the Status of Wm

LA City Mayor's Office

Department of Children & Family Serv.

M. Daniels, M. Gargiulo,

L. Heher, J. Galloway, C. Vila,

K. Kucharik

Araceli Campos

Ebony K. Cobb, Christine Jerian

Annie Fultz

### **Private Members**

Center for the Pacific Asian Family (*CALWORKS*)

Women Shelter of Long Beach

Project Peacemakers

Women & Children's Crisis Shelter

Antelope Valley DVC/.Valley Oasis

TuLynn Smylie, Kathy T.

Jong-Ling Wu

Giovanna Martinez

Bernita Walker

Brenda Zambrano

Carol Crabson

### **CalWorks**

Amanecer

Institute of Muticultural Ed. & Couns.

LA Center for Law & Justice

Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles

PROTOTYPES

Bienvenidos

San Fernando Valley CMHC

Neighborhood Legal Services of LA County

Yancy Gonzalez

Ardalan Zamani, Tamara V.

Lazaro Cuevas

M. Alanis, K. Marr, A. Rodriguez,

S. Davidson, L. Chau, J. Martinez

P. Gaskin

Fabiola Rocha-Linderos

Giselle Hulbert

Amy Goldman

### **Guests Present**

ABIP

Asian Americans Advancing Justice

Asian Pacific Women Center

Valley Women's Center

Harriett Buhai for Family Law

Los Angeles Gay & Lesbian Center

National Coalition for Men

Joe Torre Safe at Home

Stop Abuse for Everyone (SAFE)

SAHARA

Cambodia USA

Rick Kenworthy

Faith Santoso

S. Hakim

R. Teichman

Heidi Slater

Mieko Failey, A. Hsu, T. R. Slavin

Fred Sottile

Sally Lokey

David Pizarra

Neha Duggal

D. Sokman, S. Neth

Men's Health Network  
Santa Anita Family Services  
Peace Over Violence  
A Window Between Worlds  
L.A. Co Community Dev Comm.

Stanley Green  
Luisa Quintanilla  
Mei Ma  
Christy Turek  
Teresa Zavala

## **ABSENT MEMBERS**

### **Public Members**

LA County Public Defender's  
L.A. County Commission for Women  
Attorney General's Office  
California Department of Corrections  
Department of Health Services  
LA City Police Department  
LA City Attorney's Office

LA County Public Social Service  
Department of Mental Health  
West Covina Police Department  
Superior Court Family Court Svs.  
LA City Mayor's Office  
LA County Public Health  
LA County's Sheriff's Department

### **Private Voting Members**

Interval House (*CALWORK*)  
Haven Hills  
1736 Family Crisis Center  
Jewish Family Service  
YWCA Glendale  
Santa Clarita Domestic Violence Center  
YWCA WINGS

Angel Step Inn  
Jenesse Center (*CALWORK*)  
Haven House  
Rainbow Services (*CALWORKS*)  
Sojourn  
Su Casa-Ending Domestic Violence  
House of Ruth (*CALWORKS*)

### **CalWorks**

NCADD Long Beach Woman To Woman  
Foothill Family Service  
East Los Angeles Women's Center  
Community Legal Services  
Office of Samoan Affairs

Helpline Youth Counseling  
Domestic Abuse Center  
Human Services Association