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Thursday, March 25, 2004

10:00 AM

**Prosecuting Attorney's Office/Teleconferencing Rooms
Hilo and Kona**

MINUTES

PRESENT Hilo – Kelly Soo, Mary Hyslop, Linda Slutter, Lee Lord, Alice Moon,
Kona – Patti Barry, Karen Kudlo, Dorothee Auldridge
Staff/Guests – Lincoln Ashida, Mitch Roth, Sharon Spilman

ABSENT Jackie Watanabe

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Patti Barry called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

A. Moon corrected L. Lord's email address on the Commission list.

Minutes from the February 26, 2003 meeting were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

L. Lord commented on the balance of the budget. Discussion was held on how to use remaining funds.

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – Agenda Items Only

No statements from the public

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. COUNTY NEWSLETTER and THEATRE ADS– will be part of **Public Relations Report.**
- B. "No Excuse for Abuse" Video. Jerry Tracy will be giving the commission copies at no charge.

REPORTS

- A. DVIAT – L. Slutter reported that there were 10 people at the Island-wide DVIAT meeting. They will be updating their mailing list to include agencies that might be interested in becoming a part of DVIAT, and sending out a letter. They discussed placing an ad in the Sunday paper advertising the dates of the DVIAT meetings, and a press release regarding DVIAT, its function and purpose. There was also discussion about funding from DVIAT for transportation issues
- B. DV-101 Project – K. Soo reported on a DV-101 Program. It is a basic training program (Power Point). Commission will set aside about 45 minutes at the next meeting for discussion on this program (training, costs, target groups, etc.). Mitch Roth recommended inviting Shana Ross from the Hawaii County Resource Center to the next meeting for her input on this program.
- C. LAWS/POLICY REFORM – M. Roth reported on some of the laws that are going through the legislature. Letter to Mayor from Police Chief dated February 24, 2004 will be distributed to members.
- D. PUBLIC RELATIONS – Website. A. Moon and S. Spilman and updated work being done on the website, and various issues the commission will have to deal with regarding the site. Members gave their feedback on the site so far. Legal issues will be addressed by Lincoln.
- E. POSTER CONTEST – K. Kudlo reported that posters are being displayed in various locations in West Hawaii and also in Honolulu at the capitol. A. Moon will write a press release.
- F. GAPS, CONCERNS, SOLUTIONS – P. Barry asked members to review the report that was previously distributed at an earlier meeting. Another report will done at the end of this fiscal year. L. Slutter requested this topic be allocated some time for discussion at the next meeting. Discussion was held on changing meeting times from 10:00 to 9:30. Commission voted to change meeting times to 9:30 – 11:30.

A. Moon reported that brochures and cards are being updated, and agencies are being contacted for their most current information. TPPP has various brochures in different languages.

Refugee victims of domestic violence – A.. Moon will be talking to Rose Bautista (County Immigration) on this issue.

L. Slutter reported that Ann Mejia has been promoted to Sergeant of the Domestic Violence Unit in Hilo.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. RECRUITMENT OF NEW MEMBERS – Commission was notified by L. Ashida that they could appoint ex-officio members who would not have to go through the Mayor's approval process. (Ex-officio members do not have voting rights.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

M. Hyslop distributed information and a calendar of events on activities for April (Child Abuse Awareness Month).

DVIAT Public Awareness Committee Meeting is on April 7, 1:30, Big Island Resource Conservation and Development Meeting Room.

DVIAT Legal Procedures Meeting-East Hawaii is on April 19, noon, at the Childrens' Justice Center.

East Hawaii DVIAT meeting is April 26, noon, at the Turning Point for Families.

West Hawaii DVIAT meets 3rd Thursday of every month, East Hawaii DVIAT meets 4th Monday of every month.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.

Submitted by:

Charmaine Shigemura