



OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

April 24, 2025

Members in Attendance:

Patti Freeman (via Teams), Rutha Chatwood, Bonnie McKneely, Amy Dupuy, Mariah Wineski, Karen Webb, Lindsay Blouin

Guests in Attendance:

Francis Robinson for Ramona Harris

Staff in Attendance:

Laurie N. Marien

Call to Order:

Karen Webb called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were not approved for lack of a quorum.

Regular Business

No speaker.

Subcommittee Reports

- A. Law Implementation and Training (Patti Freeman)
 - Met with members of the Senate Committee on Women and Children @ DCFS
- B. Victimization Data (Karen Webb)
 - Louisiana Victim and Death Reporting (LVDRS) to provide a dashboard with State and Parish statistics- in progress
- C. Legal Issues (Wendy Edwards)

- Dawn Joseph with LADFR wants to partner with the DVPC to work towards mandatory DV training each year for Judges
 - Francis Robinson to obtain information from LASC regarding current mandatory training requirements
 - There was a previous resolution in 2022 but SC only applied toward new judges
- D. Innovative Practices Working Group (Lindsay Blouin)
- Expert Witness Training Project (LCADV)- next training is 5/30/25 in West Baton Rouge

Work Plan for Annual Report

The Annual Report was submitted on January 28, 2025.

2025 Speaker Ideas

Mariah Wineski will reach out to the Vincent family for the next meeting.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:46 p.m.