

FIRST DISTRICT CRIME VICTIM RIGHTS COMMITTEE

May 23, 2024 1:30-2:30

GOOGLE MEETS:meet.[google.com/zmk-khbk-sqd](https://meet.google.com/zmk-khbk-sqd)

Agenda

Attendance: VSC Staff-Rachelle Hill, Chair-Blair Wardle, Steve Hadfield, Kevin Potter, Cheryl Burgan, James Clegg, Curtis Hooley, Chad Reyes, Dakota Midkiff, Justin Cordova

1. Welcome and Review of Process. Rachelle reviewed what can take place to determine if a violation occurred and what happens if a violation has not occurred. Blair opened it up to the committee for their thoughts.
2. New Complaints
 - a. M.D.
 - i. The complaint was against DCFS and the prosecutor's office. Determined that the committee does have jurisdiction to review complaints against DCFS. Complaint feels threatened and harassed by DCFS the prosecution complaint is against the plea agreement.
 1. Prosecution: Committee decided that there is an alleged violation **Cheryl made a motion** to look further into the complaint. **Motion was seconded by Chief Reyes**. All in favor, no opposition.
 - a. ACTION: Committee needs more from each agency. Cheryl will reach out to the victim advocates office for clarification. Rachelle/Cheryl will send the subject of the complaint the complaint.
 2. DCFS: **Chief Reyes made the motion** to talk with the complaint **Motion was seconded by Clegg** all in favor no opposition. Let them know that the allegation was too vague for the committee to determine if a violation occurred. Give them the option to provide more information, invite them to the meeting, let them know about the DCFS Child Protection Ombuds (CPO) See how they want to proceed. The committee does not have enough information to make a complaint without.
 - a. ACTION: Blair Wardle will reach out with the complaint, let her know that the allegation was too vague, need her to provide more context and/or refer her to the DCFS complaint process.
 - b. D.R.

- i. Complaint references multiple agencies but mostly focuses on DCFS. **Blair motioned** to throw out the reference to Utah Advocates because they do not have jurisdiction. **Cheryl seconded** that motion. When a letter is drafted make a note that there is no jurisdiction so that alleged violation was not investigated. **Chief Reyes made the motion** to have this complaint run the same as the M.D. complaint and since it is mostly about DCFS to have them consider making a complaint to DCFS. **Dakota seconded** the motion. All in favor, no opposition. **James Clegg made a motion** to reject the motion of notification of court proceedings because it was not in the complaint. **Dustin seconded** all in favor with no opposition.

- 1. ACTION: Blair will reference this complaint when he talks with M.D.

- 3. Next Meeting: Standing meeting date July 11, 2024 1:30-2:30

- a. Approval of May 10th and 23rd minutes