

**SEX OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD
MINUTES**

Friday, March 19, 2010

Board Members

Mary Baydarian
Jeff Geist
Missy Gursky
Peggy Heil
Bill Hildenbrand
Jeff Jenks
Tom Kennedy
Dianna Lawyer-Brook
Tom Leversee
Daniel Makelky
Bill Martinez
Paul Prendergast
Kari Quevli

Visitors

Helen Edwards
Suzanne MacKinnon
Jennifer Kok
Susan Walker
Carolyn Turner
Mitch Sherman
Steve Parker
Carla Spence
John Odenheimer
Allison Boyd
Karen Vigil
Diane Welsh
Christine Tyler
Ted Romero
Scott Hefty

Absent Board Members

Carl Blake
Merve Davies
Cheryl Davis
Robert Erler
Kellie Hotter
Marcie Howell
Rick Levenson
Dave Long
Kandy Moore
Eric Philp
Doug Stephens

Vacant Position

Victim Representative

Staff

Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky
Kristy Alles-Serrant
Cathy Rodriguez
Charla Phagan

Board Meeting Begins:

Introductions

Due to the snow storm a quorum was not present. The Board will not be voting on any

business today.

Future Agenda Items

- A discussion about the scope of responsibility of the Board. Guidance from the Attorney General in regards to the authority and responsibilities of the Board was requested.
- Ethnic/Racial Diversity of the Board as well as the make up of our treatment provider list. We need to think of new ways to recruit and become more diverse within the field of sex offender management.
- A request was made for presentations on issues with dual perspectives (point/counter-point discussion), such as:
 - No Known Cure
 - Polygraphs
- Brain development and psychiatric issues- as a Board are there things that should be included in the Standards?
- Look at ways to diversify the agenda- presently the meetings are adult-focused; need to balance the agenda with more juvenile issues as well as issues that pertain to the whole family.
- Trainings for school counselors and teachers in regards to what to look for in victims of sexual abuse
 - DOC has an information sheet that can be shared. Contact Peggy Heil for information.
 - Kari Quevli shared that the Jefferson County DA's office has similar information available.
 - It was mentioned that there used to be a Community Education Marketing committee, which could be helpful in getting information out to the community. Kristy Alles-Serrant brought it to our attention that the grant that the SOMB has received has a big community education piece worked into it. Contact Debbie Stjernholm with ideas or suggestions on areas that may benefit from community education.

In the past, the Board used to keep issues of importance but not on task in box for future discussions. Should this practice be re-visited?

Announcements

- Mary Baydarian shared that she has gotten many requests for the Sexting document. Staff did make the suggested changes to the Sexting document and is currently in the process of getting meetings with Safe to Tell and the School Safety Resource Center to get their input and feedback about the document. It was decided to distribute the Sexting document as it is; while letting people know it will be a living document (meaning changes other than policy/recommendations could be made to the document without having to be approved by the Board; such as resources or language changes).
- The Nomination committee interviewed seven candidates and a recommendation was sent to the Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Public Safety for review.

- **Trainings-**

- Forensic Interview- April 20, 2010
- Good Lives Follow-up- June 8, 2010
- Several SVP trainings-
 - Denver, April 30, 2010
 - Grand Junction- May 5, 2010
 - Denver, May 10, 2010
 - Colorado Springs- May 13, 2010
- Trauma Informed Care- August 17, 2010

- The Call for Papers for the SOMB conference in July are due to Kristy Alles-Serrant by March 26, 2010 at 5pm.
- Skip Barber offered the assistance of the Colorado Alliance for Children and Families Association (CAFCA) to send reminders to residential treatment facilities asking the facilities to make sure all de-registration paperwork has been filed for all of their clients. Because of various exit situations the de-registration process is not always completed.

Approval of March Minutes

This agenda item was deferred due to the lack of a quorum.

Board Document Content:

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SOMB Defense Bar Committee Information Sheet-Maureen Cain:

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DOC Follow-up Presentation on Lifetime Supervision

Peggy Heil provided an update on the Lifetime Supervision Report data to the SOMB.

SOMB Bylaws Update-

Handout provided.

A need to update the bylaws became apparent upon the retirement of Chris Rowe. It has become difficult to fill her position on the Application Review Committee (ARC), and her replacement on the Board does not have the availability to commit to the ARC position. The new member of ARC should have experience with adult and juvenile evaluations/treatment as well as a judicial background if possible. Currently the bylaws state that the members of the ARC must be members of the Board. At this time staff has suggested using members of the Juvenile Advisory Board to fill the vacancies on the ARC. The handout shows the suggested change in language. A vote will be taken at next month's meeting.

Legislative Update-

Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky reviewed a handout with twelve different bills that will have an

impact on sex offender management.

House Bill 10-1364- SOMB Sunset Bill

Next Thursday March 25, 2010, beginning at 1:30 pm, is the hearing before the House Judiciary Committee. The Sunset Bill is scheduled to be fifth on the docket. All are encouraged to attend and speak to any concerns about the Sunset Bill. There were many questions about the procedures at the Judiciary Committee hearing which Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky addressed.

There was discussion about the removal of the No Known Cure language from the statute. The official stance of the Board was questioned. Paul Prendergast stated that the Board supports the No Known Cure language and does not support the removal of this language from the statute. He stated that his intentions are to be at the hearing and he would testify to the Board's official position.

A discussion was also held about the process of reviewing complaints going to the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA). Many raised concerns about this process leaving the Application Review Committee (ARC). Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky stated that he testified at the last hearing that the staff and the Board felt that taking away the complaint process from the ARC would be counter-productive. How will discrepancies be handled when DORA bases decisions on regulatory issues and the ARC bases decisions on compliance with the Standards and Guidelines? It was also noted that the amount of complaints might rise drastically, as DORA will accept anonymous complaints while the ARC requires the identity of the complainant to be known. A comment was made that the offenders and their families often worry about backlash from treatment providers; therefore they welcome the opportunity to submit a complaint anonymously. Will DORA have the resources to adequately investigate each of the complaints? It was encouraged to address these issues to the House Judiciary Committee.

Meeting Adjourned

Committee Work-Adult No Known Cure Position Paper

The committee work was deferred due to weather conditions.