



**Waukesha County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council
Victims' Rights Committee Minutes
Monday, February 25, 2019**

Team Members Present:

Hon. Michael Aprahamian
Marla Bell

Chrissy Preston
Jen Dunn

Monica Paz
Eryn Menden

Also Present:

Rebecca Luczaj

Janelle McClain

Kendall Schultz

Dunn called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Approve Minutes from November 26, 2018 Meeting

Motion: Bell moved, second by Preston, to approve the minutes from November 26, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

Update on Proposed State Victim Legislation

Dunn reported that Senator André Jacque has reintroduced the Crime Victim Restitution Fairness Act bill in the Senate. She hopes the committees will schedule a hearing on it in March. The Act addresses many of the issues brought up by this committee in the restitution memo sent in 2018.

Preston requested a copy of the memo, as the DOC is under new leadership, so providing a copy of the original memo would help assist her in providing feedback to DOC on the bill.

Discuss and Consider Adopting Final Draft of Restitution Stipulation Form

Paz distributed and reviewed a document titled "Stipulation and Order."

Menden stated that the State Public Defender's Office (SPD) felt that this form would be used for restitution requests that were stipulated, not for those cases where all parties agreed on the restitution order. Stipulated restitution requests are not common.

Paz believes that CCAP will be coming out with a feature to include victim information with the restitution amount, which could then be sent to DOC for consistency and accuracy in the collection of restitution.

Motion: Aprahamian moved, second by Menden, to approve the Restitution Stipulation Form. Motion passed unanimously.

Aprahamian will present the form at the next Judges' meeting.

Update on Progress of Local Rules Change Regarding Use of Restitution Affidavit

Paz distributed a document titled "Responses to Local Rule on Restitution."

Aprahamian commented that the local rule change was announced and approved in December at the Judges' meeting, and then sent out for public comment. There were some comments that have come back to be reviewed. Due to scheduling conflicts, the local rule will not be addressed for the second time until the March 12 Judges' meeting. He will update the committee on this at the next meeting.

Review Work Plan to Identify New Committee Projects

Committee members will review the work plan and bring any comments to the next meeting.

Other Items for Discussion

The committee members discussed how victims' information is currently being handled in Intake Court. Paz commented that other changes have been made regarding how domestic violence (DV) cases are processed; DV cases will be heard now on Mondays.

Dunn announced that another grant solicitation for victims would be released in March and due in May.

Discuss Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- Update on approval of local rules change regarding Restitution affidavit
- Review work plan
- Add Kendall Schultz, Restitution Specialist, as a committee member

Adjourn

Motion: Aprahamian moved, second by Bell, to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 p.m.