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Friday, June 10, 2005

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Stewart called the meeting back to order at 8:32 a.m. to continue hearing presentations from victim services programs.

**VICTIM SERVICES GRANTS (Continued)**

**Valdez - AVV**

**Advocates for Victims of Violence**

Marcie Robertson (executive director)

Reviewers ..... Larson and Parkes

**Anchorage - AWAIC**

**Abused Women's Aid In Crisis**

Judy Sullivan-Pickens (executive director), Suzi Pearson (deputy director) and Amy Fredeen (chief controller for Cook Inlet Tribal Council Financial Services)

Reviewers ..... Stewart and House

**Seward - SCS**

**Seaview Community Services**

Marianna Keil and Diane Pautz

Reviewers ..... Parkes and Larson

**Barrow - AWIC**

**Arctic Women In Crisis**

Linda Stanford (program coordinator)

Reviewers ..... Jackson and House

**Anchorage - AWRC**

**Alaska Women's Resource Center**

Ida Hildebrand (executive director) and board members

Reviewers ..... Stewart and Tandeske

Stewart related that she has been questioned several times lately about the number of victim services programs in Anchorage that on the surface appear to all be doing the same thing. She asked Ida Hildebrand (AWRC), Judy Sullivan-Pickens (AWAIC) and Anna Fairclough (STAR) to explain, as they would to the uninformed, why there are three large organizations in Anchorage and if they are duplicating services.

Sullivan-Pickens said the same question has been introduced through a process facilitated by the United Way that includes AWRC, AWAIC, STAR, Mary Magdalene Center, and Victims For Justice. It is an exhaustive process currently underway that has been analyzing service overlap and opportunities. It is something the funders want to know.

Fairclough stated that all the services are distinct. AWRC's legal advocacy component in the past has been an all-volunteer program that helped with restraining orders. STAR's legal advocacy program has been specific to accompaniment in the courtroom. The programs have taken state legislators on a tour of AWRC, AWAIC and STAR and showed them the uniqueness of how each program uses multiple disciplines to attack the same issues. United Way has not found any duplication of services, but it is looking at the administrative level down and the fundraising level. So the analysis facilitated by the United Way is looking at ways the programs could collaborate and do things differently. STAR services almost 50% of the people in the state but receives less than 20% of the Council's funding available for those services. STAR has best model practices in its delivery of services. Because of collaboration, STAR has been able to reach out to the community more effectively in an education effort to reach children in the Anchorage area. She said she believes the child advocacy is why reporting rates are going up.

Hildebrand said that AWRC has a residential component [typist's note: cannot hear what she is saying...] that deals with substance abuse and domestic violence. AWRC has a short-term shelter, while STAR serves domestic violence and rape victims. While these services may seem the same to everybody else, they are very different.

Fairclough stated that the Municipality of Anchorage has linked the agencies together to report statistically. AWAIC is leading the effort to streamline data to research if people in the community are accessing services from different points. STAR responds very closely with AWAIC — if shelter is needed for a family or rape victim in Anchorage, STAR contacts AWAIC to see if they can provide that service. AWAIC has been very cooperative in that effort because STAR does not have shelter facilities. STAR does not have counselors on staff, nor does it deal with alcohol issues. STAR also coordinates with Bean's Cafe and the Brother Francis Shelter when cases involve male victims. STAR responds 24/7 to the scene of a crime (usually a woman's body in a medical facility) when STAR's presence is requested by a law enforcement agency. There are three layers of backup to make sure that all the services are available, and she personally gets called out two to three times a year. STAR is immediate crisis intervention and tries to see people a maximum of ten times over the course of ten weeks. Other agencies provide longer-term care.

Sullivan-Pickens commented that there are enough rape incidents in Anchorage to justify a specialty agency like STAR. She said AWAIC meets frequently with the

other programs, and it goes far beyond the memorandums of agreement or understanding. She used to be a volunteer for STAR for a couple of years and is a big supporter of that organization.

Fairclough said that administrative coordination among STAR, AWAIC and AWRC as far as having one finance director is difficult because each grant is so unique and it requires such expertise. Sullivan-Pickens added that spending is restricted for each grant, and accounting for it is very complicated.

Stewart said she was interested in knowing more about the United Way facilitated discussion and wanted the Council on the report distribution list.

Sullivan-Pickens stated that all three agencies embrace the question Chair Stewart raised. Of all the non-profits in Anchorage, the sister agencies are the first ones willing to spend the time.

Break 10:06 to 10:35 a.m.

**VICTIM SERVICES GRANTS (Continued)**

**Nome - BSWG**

**Bering Sea Women's Group**

Barb Pungowiyi (interim executive director) and Mary Bourdon (board member) in person, and DeNette Perry (past executive director) by telephone

Reviewers ..... Tandeske and Jackson

**Cordova - CFRC**

**Cordova Family Resource Center**

Nicole Songer (executive director)

Reviewers ..... Jackson and Tandeske

Lunch break 11:10 a.m. to 1:07 p.m.

**COMMUNITY-BASED BATTERERS INTERVENTION PROGRAM GRANTS**

Each program was given three minutes to comment on their grant proposal before being questioned by the primary and secondary Council reviewers, for a total time of 20 minutes.

**Homer - SPWS**  
**Domestic Violence Intervention Program**  
Peg Coleman (executive director)

Reviewers ..... Tandeske and Jackson

**Palmer - AFS**  
**Alaska Family Services (formerly AFRC)**  
Betsy Woodin (director of outreach and prevention) and Judy Gette (program manager for community BIP)

Reviewers ..... House and Tandeske

**Sitka - SCC**  
**Sitka Counseling Center**  
Janie Hope(?) - by telephone

Reviewers ..... Larson and Stewart

**Ketchikan - KIC**  
**Ketchikan Indian Corporation**  
Debbie Patton (social services administrator)

Reviewers ..... Parkes and Stewart

**Barrow - AWIC**  
**Arctic Women In Crisis**  
Linda Stanford (program coordinator)

Reviewers ..... Parkes and House

**Kenai - LSC**  
**LeeShore Center (Kenai/Soldotna Women's Resource and Crisis Center)**  
Cheri Smith (executive director)

Reviewers ..... Larson and Tandeske

Break 2:43 to 3:09 p.m.

**Fairbanks - IAC**  
**Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living**  
Brenda Stanfill (executive director)

Reviewers ..... Stewart and Jackson

**Valdez - PVCC**  
**Providence Valdez Counseling Center**  
Kimberley Elias (behavioral health clinician)

Reviewers ..... Jackson and House

**PRISON BATTERERS INTERVENTION PROGRAM GRANTS**

Each program was allowed three minutes to comment on their proposal before taking questions from the primary and secondary Council reviewers, for a total time of 15 minutes.

**Juneau - AWARE**  
**Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies**  
Saralyn Tabachnick (executive director)

Reviewers ..... Tandeske and Jackson

**Palmer - AFS**  
**Alaska Family Services (AFRC)**  
Betsy Woodin (director of outreach and prevention) and Judy Gette (program manager for community BIP)

Reviewers ..... House and Stewart

**Fairbanks - IAC**  
**Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living**  
Brenda Stanfill (executive director)

Reviewers ..... Parkes and Larson

The IAC Prison Batterers Program presentation was combined with the earlier Community-Based Batterers Intervention Program presentation.

The meeting recessed for the day at 4:01 p.m. on June 10.

Saturday, June 11, 2005

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*[There is no recorded or written record of the reason for this executive session, although it should be noted in the minutes, according to the State's Open Meetings Act. Also, whether there was any action taken or not taken as a result of the executive session.]*

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MOTION BY \_\_\_\_\_ THAT THE CDVSA GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING \_\_\_\_\_ . SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_ .

Without objection, the motion passed.

The Council met in executive session from 9:00 a.m. until 10:20 a.m.

Break 10:20 to 10:28 a.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Stewart called the regular meeting back to order at 10:28 a.m. on June 11. Council members Parkes, Jackson, Tandeske, House and Stewart were present. Larson joined the meeting about 10 minutes later.

The Chair reported that no action was taken in executive session. *(Typist's note: I'm just making this up to make the official record complete. Is this correct?)*

**MEDICAID ISSUES**

Karleen Jackson said that at a meeting with the Network in Juneau there was a question about whether or not Medicaid could be billed for case management. Gerry Fuller, who is DHSS Medicaid director, wrote into the amendment to the state plan to try and get permission from the federal government to be able to do that. The Department of Health & Social Services (DHSS) has received a verbal okay but does not have it in writing yet. If there are people in shelters who are getting case management and who are Medicaid eligible, it looks like the shelters will be able to bill for that. Fuller has offered to visit programs, if he is in the area, to answer specific questions about the case management billing or other Medicaid-related issues. Programs just need to contact Fuller in Juneau at 907-465-1617, and if no answer there, call the Commissioner's Office at 907-465-3030 to track him down.

Jackson stated that as a former executive director of a non-profit organization she understands where Ginger Baim was coming from when she said, "I'll be whatever

you want me to be to get the funding." Everyone has had those moments when they are after funding of trying to make their program fit. But she knows that especially when the Department of Health and Social Services is looking at funding non-profits many times that kind of statement can lead an agency away from their core mission and into a situation where they become vulnerable to losing what they do best. She encouraged programs to think twice before trying something new just because the money is there.

Jackson mentioned that in its presentation the Maniilaq Association in Kotzebue spoke about Office of Children's Services (OCS) grants having disappeared and not understanding why. She checked with the division and found that it has gone to a competitive grant award process versus continuing to fund things that have been funded in the past. That is a trend people will see in DHSS: as funds shrink, there will be more competitive grant funding.

Jackson offered to answer specific questions from programs during the break's.

#### **CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS (Civil Rights)** **(Document #05-52)**

Stewart said the Council is required to give the programs an oral reminder about the Certification of Compliance with regulations regarding the Office of Civil Rights. This is nothing new and is a routine part of all the grant packages. Any subgrantee who is awarded funds through the CDVSA is required to have an authorized official within their agency who will agree to comply with the requirements of the Office of Civil Rights. That includes maintaining data and reporting findings, as well as signing a certification and submitting it to the Council.

#### **STRATEGIC PLANNING FOLLOW-UP**

Stewart reported that at last June's funding meeting the Council was able to grant flat funding and had time available for the programs present to break into groups that provided input about their expectations of the Council and the programs themselves. The Council at that time agreed to consider the recommendations and planned on doing some strategic planning of its own at a retreat. Unfortunately, the Council was without an executive director for a few months, and Council members had to fill in. One undertaking that took a lot of time was working with the Denali Commission. Then there was hiring a new executive director and the learning curve associated with that. So the Council did not accomplish the strategic planning it had intended to. Now, with an executive director on board for six months and a smooth relationship with the Denali Commission, Council members would like to get back to planning a retreat and looking at its own mission.

Stewart said she would be glad to take any new input from the programs that they may have learned from their own strategic planning processes and experiences over the past year. She added that the Council puts tremendous burdens on programs, in

terms of applications and reporting, and it is only fair that the Council should share those burdens.

Dorothy Larson rejoined the meeting at this point.

#### AWARD TO GINGER BAIM - SAFE (DILLINGHAM)

Peggy Brown presented Ginger Baim with an award from the National Sexual Violence Resource Center. She said that in February the Network directors met and nominated Baim to receive this award for her outstanding advocacy and community work in ending sexual violence.

Addressing the agenda, Chair Stewart informed those present that the Council intended to work on the funding decisions through lunch and would likely go until 2:15 p.m.

#### FY06 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE (Document #05-53)

Council members discussed holding a one-day quarterly meeting and a one-day retreat on September 19-20, 2005, tentatively in Juneau. December 8, 2005 was set as the date for the second quarter teleconference meeting. The third and fourth quarter meeting dates were not scheduled.

Stewart asked staff to e-mail to Council members the two meeting dates agreed on so they could check their other calendars.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION BY DOROTHY LARSON TO NOMINATE JANNA STEWART AS THE CHAIR OF THE CDVSA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006. KARLEEN JACKSON SECONDED.

There were no other nominations, and nominations were closed.

The motion carried by unanimous consent.

MOTION BY DOROTHY LARSON TO NOMINATE SUSAN PARKES AS VICE CHAIR OF THE CDVSA FOR THE NEXT YEAR. SECONDED BY ANN HOUSE.

There were no other nominations, and nominations were closed.

The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Both Stewart and Parkes were present and accepted the positions to which they were elected.

## FUNDING DECISIONS

The Chair handed out the community coordination pages from USAFV (Unalaska) that were missing. She also distributed a review of the Council Office's staff positions that Mason had prepared.

Stewart noted that members should turn in their individual scoring sheets to staff for filing at the end of the meeting.

### Community Based Victim Services Programs

FY06 funding available: \$7,195,800  
Total grant requests: \$8,612,204

Tandeske mentioned that the legislature approved an additional \$200,000 in FY06 over the FY05 budget to help cover increased costs of fuel, insurance, etc.

Stewart said the Council appreciates the additional \$200,000 but it does not solve the increased cost-of-living problem. She said she thought of looking at consolidation of services in geographic areas where there may be economies of scale. Another idea was to do a comparison of programs in tiers, based on the size of their grant requests, i.e., those up to \$150,000, those between \$150,000 and \$300,000, the requests between \$300,000 and \$500,000, and those over \$500,000. The point would be to identify what services ought to be met and then match what the programs are doing, as opposed to programs coming forward and saying here is what we offer. She said this is a fundamentally different way of looking at things.

Tandeske said an immediate decision the Council could make is whether it can take on a new program that came with no money. To do that would substantially harm existing programs, and that is problematic. He said the Council has to look at things somewhat regionally to insure maintaining a safety net in the regions around the state. These two decisions are painful but will strengthen what is there and ultimately benefit victims.

Tandeske offered, for discussion purposes, the idea of not funding the Emmonak Women's Shelter in FY06. The Council awarded EWS \$183,599 in FY05. If that money were distributed to Bethel, Barrow, Dillingham and Nome it would put those four programs within about \$33,178 of their FY06 requests (increases totaled about \$216,700) and make those shelters healthier in terms of their ability to deal with the escalating costs.

Larson inquired if the justification for reducing Emmonak's FY06 request by the total amount was because of the shelter located in Bethel.

Tandeske said that was correct. He recalled that Emmonak serves five villages,

which are also covered by Tundra Women's Coalition (TWC) in Bethel. TWC is taking care of those five villages right now because the Emmonak shelter is closed down this month. He added that while nobody likes the notion, CDVSA is \$1.4 million short this year, and shelters are experiencing higher insurance, fuel and labor costs. At some point the Council has to deal with it.

Stewart remarked that the Council should look at whether to apply that concept to any other areas of the state. Is it possible to keep a program intact in another region of the state, perhaps by funding it to the FY06 request level, with the understanding that it would pick up the burden of a similar program in the geographic region that was de-funded. The idea would be to maintain some core services regionally.

Tandeske said another approach is to not take on any programs that were not funded last year, flat fund all the existing Council-supported programs, and distribute the \$200,000 increase among the programs. This is not the smartest approach because all the programs will suffer if they cannot pay for essential services. The Council has reached the point of having to make some hard choices.

House indicated she liked the idea of maintaining services regionally as long as Seward was not cut.

Jackson remarked that this is not the first time that Council members have had this conversation, that CDVSA cannot continue to just chop a little bit away from every program year after year when needs are going up. She agreed with Tandeske that the Council has reached the point of making some really hard choices.

Stewart stated that there are some really solid, really hard working programs that are trembling.

Tandeske said another option, although not very viable, is to not fund certain parts of programs. But this gets away from providing comprehensive services, which is what the shelters build toward. Cutting certain services probably would not do anyone any good.

Larson asked about leaving the direct services intact but combining administrative services.

Stewart pointed out that combining administrative services has been accomplished independent of the Council, in Mat-Su, for example. The CDVSA funding would be a dollar amount with a recommendation to make it work by trying to consolidate the administrative part, but the Council cannot direct that it be done.

Larson wondered if there was a map available so members could look at the regions.

Stewart said no, but among them, Council members had a good sense of where programs were delivering services.

The Council looked at the services provided in each region next. Jackson noted that areas on the road system are different than those connected only by a ferry system or by air service. Tandeske said that Juneau, Ketchikan and Sitka serve as transportation, health and public safety hubs for communities like Angoon, Hoonah and Prince of Wales Island.

Stewart said she looked at some individual programs that she thought were great programs but were very expensive relative to the geography. Ketchikan was one of those that stuck out as very expensive.

Larson mentioned that she was concerned about those programs that administered through umbrella agencies that are charging very high indirect rates. Some were at \$40,000 or more for indirects, and that did not even cover the executive director's position.

Parkes agreed that the Council ought to look at that.

Stewart said some programs are really struggling to add prevention services, such as in the schools, that are critical to reducing the flow of generational domestic violence. With flat funding and increasing costs, those critical creative services are the ones that suffer.

Tandeske clarified that Arctic Women In Crisis (AWIC) in Barrow and Maniilaq Association in Kotzebue were the two programs with high indirect rates from umbrella agencies that came to mind.

Stewart said it was 26% indirect costs for Maniilaq (\$85,000) and 21% indirect for AWIC (\$43,953).

Jackson commented that some programs are providing both a victim services program and a batterers intervention program. She asked if these programs had flexibility to move money from one line item to another, so that if the Council did not fund their full requests these programs could sort it out to fit their needs.

Tandeske guessed that this has been going on for a while at some level.

Parkes inquired about the \$55,000 request from the Department of Corrections to fund the VINE position in FY06. Griggs replied that there is some personal services money left from this year's VOCA that would cover \$50,000 of DOC's request. The other \$5,000 would come out of the administrative portion of next year's VOCA grant. None of the \$55,000 would have to come out of FY06 victim services grant funds.

Parkes asked if the Council had to take formal action to give DOC the \$55,000 requested. Griggs said the Council had to give staff direction.

Parkes said it seems like an odd way to appropriate money, when the Council has always said it wants to be competitive about it. She said she would agree to fund the victim justice technician position this year but give Department of Corrections notice that it will not happen this way in the future.

Griggs explained that the \$68,500 that CDVSA gets from DOC goes into personal services to pay staff to do on-sites at batterers intervention programs.

Tandeske agreed with Parkes' suggestion to grant the \$55,000 for FY06, but he recommended notifying DOC Commissioner Antrim to include that funding in his department's FY07 budget request. The position in the DOC Victim Services Unit is a function of the automated victim notification system (VINE), which DOC is statutorily required to do. It makes sense to fund the position straight up and be done with it.

Parkes said it would also be less administrative hassle for the Council Office.

MOTION BY SUSAN PARKES THAT THE CDVSA FUND \$55,000 FOR VINE (THE VICTIM NOTIFICATION SYSTEM) AT THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR FY06, AND THAT THE COUNCIL PUT THIS ISSUE ON THE SEPTEMBER MEETING AGENDA TO DECIDE WHAT TO DO IN THE FUTURE (STAFF IS DIRECTED TO GATHER MORE INFORMATION IN THE MEANTIME). KARLEEN JACKSON SECONDED.

The motion passed without objection.

Larson clarified that the \$55,000 will come from other VOCA funds and not take from money for the victim services grants.

House posed the idea of reducing the funding requests of all the programs by 20% to see if they could do better with the money they got. *[Typist's note: Most of Ann House's comments are inaudible or barely audible on all the tapes. I believe she said something like this.]*

Tandeske responded that the programs have done that until they are about run into the ground. That is the problem — the "trying to do more with less" has been so overused for so long that the wheels are coming off.

Jackson agreed, adding that having run a non-profit and struggled with those things herself, at some point it creates a dangerous situation. People are working at minimum wage with no benefits for 80 hours a week, and then the funders tell them to go back and cut and find other funds.

Stewart pointed out that the result is regressive, that a 20% cut to a \$80,000 program is different than a 20% cut to a \$700,000 program.

Parkes brought up whether the Council should consider the Victims For Justice grant request. She asked Mason to report what she found out about the timeliness of VFJ's submission.

Mason stated that Amy said that everything that was in the bound folder was on time. The section that had been inserted into the bound folder was late.

Parkes said that was the statement of needs and the services to be provided narrative.

Stewart noted that some of that was already in the bound folder, so some of the inserted material duplicated what was in the folder. She felt that because there was some confusion on the Council's part about what was received on time and what came in late that the Council ought to consider VFJ as a timely application. The real question is whether or not to fund the program.

Parkes pointed out that there was no community coordination piece in the application.

Stewart said there was at least one other application that was missing the community coordination piece.

Parkes said USAFV was missing one page of the community coordination section, which the Council now has. VFJ's application contained zero on community coordination.

Larson stated that she was concerned about the management of VFJ. It didn't go very well last year, and it doesn't seem to be getting better, given the problems associated with submitting the grant proposal itself.

Stewart said that deals with the question of whether or not to fund VFJ. She asked Larson whether she considered the VFJ grant application to be submitted on time and if it should be considered. Larson replied no.

Tandeske mentioned that VFJ is receiving earmark funding of about a quarter million dollars a year for three years from the Alaska Congressional delegation in a noncompetitive fashion. So, based on that, he found it hard to support taking \$30,000 off the table of the other programs.

**MOTION BY SUSAN PARKES THAT THE CDVSA TAKE VICTIMS FOR JUSTICE OFF THE TABLE FOR FUNDING CONSIDERATION IN FY06 BECAUSE AN ENTIRE SECTION WAS MISSING FROM THEIR APPLICATION, AND IT IS CONSIDERED A NON-RESPONSIVE, NON-COMPLIANT APPLICATION.**

SECONDED BY ANN HOUSE.

Jackson asked if that standard would be applied irregardless. Parkes said if there is an entire section missing then it is a non-responsive application. To her knowledge no other applications had entire sections missing.

Stewart said the Council has been discussing whether or not to consider VFJ's application. She would err on the side of deciding on substance rather than on process.

Tandeske stated that his concern was that the Council took the VFJ application in, copied it, distributed it, graded it, and then heard a presentation from them. Now the Council is saying it won't consider the application on a technical point.

Stewart agreed, saying the Council is very solid on deciding not to fund the program based on the enormous external funding that VFJ received. Relative to every other program in the state, VFJ is fat.

Parkes said it is for the Council, not the staff, to say whether an application meets the criteria, so the application has to reach the Council level for that to happen.

Tandeske said he understood; he just wondered how it got this late in the process to ask the "responsive application" question.

Parkes commented that maybe this should have been brought up earlier and VFJ should not have been allowed to come to the table.

Stewart stated that tightening up the submission standards might prevent this from happening again.

Larson said she did not want the Council to set a precedent of a program not submitting all the requirements but allowing the application anyway. Everyone operates under time constraints.

Parkes agreed, saying it would not be fair to the other programs.

By outcry vote, the motion passed. *[Typist's note: not sure if there were any dissenting votes.]*

Stewart stated that the grant application from Victims For Justice was off the table based on being non-responsive.

Tandeske explained that the intent of the \$200,000 that was added to the budget through an amendment process at the House Subcommittee was not to fund new programs but rather to... *[missing section due to tape change]* ...it was part of the budget it passed, to be distributed among the programs to do what they thought

best. His office got a follow-up letter from one senator reminding him not to *(inaudible)* programs.

Stewart said the next step was whether "no new programs" was a decision the Council wanted to make or if members wanted to look at Maniilaq Association in the context of the victims' needs in the Kotzebue area, and the health and safety risks of deciding that Maniilaq was not CDVSA's problem.

Tandeske mentioned that Kotzebue is a transportation hub for about 10 villages, just like Nome is a hub for about 15 villages. He was disappointed that the legislative delegation from that region did not appear to seek funding for Maniilaq.

Parkes asked Jackson if the OCS funds Maniilaq received from the Department of Health and Social Services were being used to run the shelter in Kotzebue. Jackson said she did not know the details, but she believed the money was for various levels of shelter for children.

Larson asked where the people in Kotzebue and surrounding villages currently go for victim services. Stewart said they go to Maniilaq Association Family Crisis Center.

Larson inquired why Maniilaq has not sought funding from CDVSA in the past. Jackson replied that Maniilaq said they used to get part of the funding from the Office of Children's Services at DHSS, but the \$354,922 that they requested from CDVSA this year was larger than what they got from OCS in the past, which she thought was \$130,000. She added that Maniilaq may have lost funds from other sources as well.

Tandeske reported that he made some phone calls yesterday to see if anyone had additional money that could help out the Council. He did not have any success, but he put people on notice that the Council had a tough choice where Maniilaq was concerned. He said that given that Maniilaq Association is a non-profit with lots of other programs, one thought is whether the Council could put the ball back in the court of Maniilaq and their legislative representatives, who can work with the leadership in both bodies and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in the Governor's Office. It is possible that a supplemental toward this grant line would be entertained, but Maniilaq and their legislative people have to do that process. It is not the Council's place to do that. Taking that line of thought one step farther, if a supplemental was talked about in the amount of \$354,922, it should not be dedicated funding for one program because that would bring in a program that has not been here before and give them everything they were asking for, while other programs have to fight for what is left. He said that given Maniilaq Association's assets, it is unlikely everything has to shut down July 1 if the Council does not fund them today.

Tandeske said he would be willing to work with the legislators from the Kotzebue

region and OMB for a supplemental. But every program on the list has needs and has been feeling the pain and suffering of budget cuts, so he did not see how the CDVSA could take on \$354,922 of unfunded liability at Maniilaq.

Jackson stated that if the Council decided not to fund any new programs, the message could be that it was not because the Maniilaq Association program does not have merit or needs but it is that CDVSA did not get additional funding in FY06. The reality is the Council cannot meet the funding requests of existing programs, but it encourages Maniilaq, with help from their elected delegation, to look at legislative solutions for services in the Kotzebue area.

Stewart commented that she does not want to see little state earmarks: the Council should be able to continue looking at the big picture of service delivery in the state.

Jackson said the Council could encourage Maniilaq to work with the Network on funding strategies across the state. The Network has a strong advocacy role with the legislature and gets the big picture.

Parkes stated that an idea is to give Maniilaq a very small amount of funding to recognize the importance of a shelter in Kotzebue, which is a very dangerous place. Then CDVSA could try to get more funding from the legislature next year based on taking on a new program, which could be the first of many new programs. She worried about the supplemental process because the funding could be earmarked for Maniilaq, then added to the CDVSA budget line item next year with the expectation that the money would go to Maniilaq.

Jackson pointed out that a lot of these programs get other funds through DHSS. When those funds shrink, then the programs ask for the shortfall from CDVSA. There isn't a comprehensive way in the state system of looking at the total amount of state funding going to a particular agency.

Tandeske remarked that the issue of asking programs to keep doing what they have been doing has only intertwined things so much that it is hard to separate out who does what.

Larson said the Council cannot afford to fund any new programs until it receives more money in the budget.

Griggs stated that removing VFJ and Maniilaq from consideration brought the total of FY06 victim services requests to \$8,227,282. There is \$7,195,800 in FY06 funding available.

Tandeske steered the discussion back to the regional concept. He reiterated that Emmonak Women's Shelter serves a cluster of villages also served by TWC in Bethel. If Emmonak were not funded, he said he felt strongly that every penny of

that money should remain in the west coast region of the state — Bethel, Nome, Dillingham and Barrow — to strengthen the existing programs. These are all solid programs.

Larson pointed out that in the southwest region Bethel and Dillingham are way, way different.

Stewart said she has lived in both Bethel and Dillingham, and Bethel feeds in and upward in serving villages.

Jackson commented that the Emmonak shelter has been struggling in the past year, so even if the Council were able to give EWS the \$228,290 they requested, she didn't know if they could do what they need to do.

Larson asked if Emmonak was one of the shelters that received capital improvement funds. Tandeske replied that EWS requested money from the Denali Commission to build a new shelter. Stewart added that EWS was in the comprehensive planning stage of that request.

Parkes said an additional \$216,777 is needed to fully fund Barrow, Nome, Dillingham and Bethel to their FY06 requests. Reallocating the FY05 level of Emmonak's funding toward those four programs would leave them \$33,178 shy of their total additional requests.

Tandeske related that based on comments he has gotten over the last three legislative sessions about funding programs and services to regions, he thought it was positive to go back to talking about whether it is better to fund five shelters all struggling or four shelters that are given additional resources. Given that Emmonak is located within TWC's service area, it is a positive move to keep four programs strong in their core functions.

House inquired about EWS's other funding sources. Stewart replied that EWS has some other funding, including a Violence Against Indian Women grant and a small amount of local support.

Stewart posed the question of whether to apply that working concept in any other regions of the state.

House mentioned that the Anchorage area would be another one to look at, with three Council-funded programs — AWAIC, STAR and AWRC.

Parkes said that she was convinced from the panel discussion earlier, and given the vast population in Anchorage, that there was not really duplication of services there. She didn't think the Council could eliminate funding one program in Anchorage and expect another agency to pick up any dropped services.

Tandeske remarked that service delivery in Anchorage is a much longer-term discussion. It would be a devastating move to come back from if it were wrong, and it should be studied and measured beforehand.

Jackson reminded everyone that the Council has to honor the strategic planning process the Anchorage programs are going through with the United Way. If the programs were not already involved in this process, then House's point would be a logical one for the Council to follow.

Stewart mentioned that another possible regional discussion was the Kenai Peninsula, Cordova, Valdez, and the Mat-Su area. Valdez could also be considered part of Anchorage because it is on the road system.

Looking at the Kenai Peninsula, Parkes noted that Seaview Community Services (SCS) in Seward and South Peninsula Women's Services (SPWS) in Homer were both asking for a 60% increase over the FY05 funding. Tandeske added that LeeShore Center in Kenai-Soldotna was requesting over a 30% increase from FY05 funding.

Stewart remarked that Seaview was asking for a relatively small dollar amount increase, but most of it was for personal services to add a full-time-equivalent advocate.

Larson pointed out that Seaview indicated it wanted to increase wages to staff as well. She said she noticed that most of the dollars for the SPWS program in Homer came from the Council and they had very little other funds to support it. CDVSA has been asking all the programs to search for other funds, and most of them have done very well in that effort. SPWS still relies pretty much on CDVSA, and she preferred that all the programs seek other sources of funding.

Parkes noted that part of SPWS's increase request was for a rural services position and a half-time volunteer coordinator.

Larson said she found the Seaview proposal a little disconcerting because they had no shelter and no safe homes.

Stewart countered that Seaview has a hotel arrangement that has been surprisingly cost effective, as opposed to keeping a shelter building staffed. She said the hotel arrangement is not an unreasonable solution. It struck her as a good community working relationship because it probably is not easy to get hotels to take in an abused woman and her three children on a moment's notice. She said her hat was off to Seaview for that.

Larson commented that the LeeShore Center (Kenai-Soldotna) had a lot of staff and they were asking for another advocate position. She said some of the positions are necessary but maybe not all of them.

Parkes asked if anyone thought the Kenai Peninsula situation was similar to the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta region, where the Council could spread more money to a couple of sound programs that would pick up the work.

The Chair called a break from 12:10 to 12:34 p.m.

Jackson said that some of the proposals, when they talked about their funding increase, stated what money they had to have to continue and what money they were asking for that if they didn't have they wouldn't get a position or they wouldn't be able to do a project. Other proposals did not explain that. So the Council may want that as a component of future RFPs so members can determine why programs ask for a big increase.

Stewart agreed, adding that another suggestion is that "page numbers are your friend."

Parkes noted that the RFP does say that the budget narrative should explain new costs, unusual expenditures, or an increased funding request, and to prioritize the requests with reasons, etc.

Stewart commented that many of the programs included that information but it was often buried in different parts of the application. Perhaps the Council could provide a format for that information in future RFPs so it would be easier to compare.

The discussion on services provided by region moved on to the southcentral area of Cordova/Valdez/Mat-Su (Palmer). Stewart mentioned that Alaska Family Services in Palmer has stepped in to help Cordova and Valdez under varying circumstances. She wondered if there was an overlap on villages for the Cordova Family Resource Center (CFRC) and Advocates for Victims of Violence (AVV) in Valdez.

Tandeske said both programs indicated \_\_\_\_\_ *[inaudible]*. Most of the Valdez villages were on the road system.

Stewart noted that AVV in Valdez was requesting a 65% increase in FY06 funding, almost \$119,000.

Parkes recalled that part of that was the expansion plans to Glennallen. Glennallen is on the road system, and Palmer has a strong program that is almost as accessible as AVV in Valdez. She did not think funding AVV for the proposed expansion to Glennallen was a priority that the CDVSA could meet in light of a limited budget this year.

Stewart said that on AVV she was inclined to look at flat funding plus a share of the cost-of-living money.

Parkes indicated she could support that.

Stewart said AFS in Palmer picking up the Glennallen piece would play to the regional strengths there. She proposed doing a similar analysis on CFRC in Cordova, which requested a relatively small dollar amount increase that represented a large percentage increase. CFRC asked for more funds for health insurance, expanded confidential meeting space, expected increases in services supplied, and salaries.

Parkes noted that CFRC was looking at building or buying a shelter, and her only concern is about funding sustainability. She proposed similar treatment to AVV — flat funding plus a percentage of the \$200,000 to cover cost-of-living increases.

Larson and Stewart indicated their agreement.

Parkes stated that AFS in Palmer was only asking for an 8.38% increase over FY05 funding.

Stewart commented that Alaska Family Services in Palmer accomplished what appears to be an efficient administrative merger between Alaska Family Resource Center and Mat-Su Recovery Center, the type of move that is the wave of the future.

Parkes said her impression of the AFS application was that it was not proposing any new services but intended to offer fuller services because of the merger. She saw the Palmer area as having a rapidly growing population, and CDVSA needs to keep that program strong — an 8.38% increase was very reasonable. AFS also has diversified funding sources.

Jackson stated that AFS in Palmer has demonstrated working towards efficiency and the merger was an important step.

The next discussion on providing services by region focused on the southeast area — WISH in Ketchikan, SAFV in Sitka, and AWARE in Juneau.

Larson remarked that the communities were located so far away from each other.

House mentioned that Ketchikan is going through such a crisis that she hated to see the Council not fund WISH. *[Typist's note: This may or may not be exactly what she said. Her following comment was totally inaudible.]*

Tandeske agreed that there was no way the Council could not support shelters in all three communities — it was more a question of what level of support to give.

Parkes read aloud from page 60 of Ketchikan's application that explained what the requested increase of \$100,000 was for: shelter advocate supervisor, medical

insurance, children's program director, SART response costs, rural travel, and staff training.

Jackson observed that WISH's increase was primarily for staffing, which is the most expensive line item across the board.

Stewart posed the question of what increases would be justified for the Ketchikan, Sitka and Juneau programs above flat funding plus their share of the \$200,000 in cost-of-living dollars. The second part of the question is where would the money come from for anything above flat funding.

Stewart commented that compared to other communities around the state WISH in Ketchikan was a really expensive program.

Parkes said she leaned toward flat funding the southeast Alaska programs plus the cost-of-living increase.

Tandeske pointed out that in the past two years there was a homicide in Tanakee Springs, which was a sexual assault and a related sexual assault. Then there was a domestic violence case on Prince of Wales Island where a 16-year-old girl was accused of having her mother killed. These are significant events and part of the social challenges going on along the west coast.

Parkes mentioned that the Department of Law sees a very different day-in and day-out caseload of violence and sexual crimes from the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta as compared to southeast Alaska where there is a mixture of thefts and burglaries, along with sexual assaults and domestic violence crimes – very different types of caseloads.

Stewart stated that the Ketchikan Police Department has 508 harassment threats. They are much more active because they have the resources to be doing 350 arrests for violations of conditions of release. Those resources do not exist in some northern regions. But the Council cannot blame the shelters for the presence or lack of a local police department, but the reality is that it impacts on the individual victims.

Jackson remarked that Stewart's comments are also true for the juvenile justice system. The kinds of crimes in the northwestern region of the state are way more severe than what her department sees in southeast.

Stewart mentioned that there are turnover issues with professionals in the northwestern region: district attorneys and judges that go there do not stay.

House stated that Juneau has the highest consumption of alcohol in the state. Jackson wondered if that was just counting the legal purchase of alcohol and not the home brew and illegal alcohol purchases that occur in the northern regions of

the state.

There was a short break from 1:05 to 1:15 p.m. while members prepared for a working lunch.

Stewart indicated that KWRCC (Kodiak) and USAFV (Unalaska) had not been discussed yet in any region. KWRCC's relatively small 9.8% increase request was to restore two hours a week to each of their existing full-time positions to bring them up a 32-hour work week. They are asking the Kodiak Borough to cover some of the other cost increases at the program. KWRCC's total program budget is roughly \$470,000 and their FY06 request to CDVSA is \$290,000, so they have pretty strong other funding sources.

Stewart stated that USAFV in Unalaska was asking for a 10% increase, equaling roughly \$12,000 over last year's funding, which their application indicated was for higher health insurance and workers compensation costs and an expected increase in business.

Parkes noted that USAFV has good local support for their budget as well.

At this point, the Council started getting some program names and grant request numbers up on a flip chart, separated into regional clusters.

Tandeske proposed increasing the FY06 budget request for Tundra Women's Coalition in Bethel by \$5,000 because it would be taking on the lion's share of the services that Emmonak used to provide. He further suggested that the other three programs in the region — Dillingham, Nome and Barrow — get a substantial amount of their FY06 requests. This solution takes all the money that Emmonak previously got plus a bit more, but the funding would remain in the region.

Stewart said the Council tentatively agreed earlier to flat fund AVV in Valdez (\$213,181) and CFRC in Cordova (\$51,421) plus an undetermined cost-of-living increase.

Larson stated that the Council also made a preliminary decision to flat fund AWARE in Juneau (\$489,641), SAFV in Sitka (\$303,401), and WISH in Ketchikan (\$517,183), plus a cost-of-living increase that had to be worked out yet.

Stewart indicated that both KWRCC in Kodiak (\$264,326) and USAFV in Unalaska (\$123,001) fell into the same tentative category of flat funding plus COLA.

As the discussion turned toward the three remaining Anchorage programs on the table, Tandeske remarked that both STAR (\$412,789) and AWRC (\$199,634) had kept their FY06 increase requests very minimal, and he was amenable to funding these reasonable requests. He said he had to be reminded why AWAIC was asking for an additional \$104,000 this year.

Stewart referred to page 95 of AWAIC's application, which listed insurance, workers compensation, utilities, and trying to raise salaries to a living wage.

In looking at her notes, Parkes said the executive director of AWAIC indicated in her presentation that they were really asking for a bare-bones increase of \$22,800 over last year's funding. That would make AWAIC's FY06 request \$828,616.

Larson added that she recalled the AWAIC executive director saying they got some funding from somewhere else. Other Council members did not remember such a statement. Parkes offered to listen to the tape recording of AWAIC's presentation during the next break.

Tandeske said he intended to speak up at some point for USAFV (Unalaska) getting the \$135,301 they requested.

Break 1:55 to 2:17 p.m.

The Council took up the IAC (Fairbanks) request next, looking at the specific items that made up the increase over the FY05 funding level. Health insurance costs were the number one priority (\$20,496) and the second priority was for heating fuel (\$2,850), which went up 80%. Adding those two increase requests to IAC's FY05 funding of \$679,296 brought the working total for Fairbanks to \$702,642 for FY06.

The next program was AFS in Palmer. Parkes said the AFS request was reasonable if the Council was going to ask them to pick up services to Glennallen. She added that the Palmer area has the fastest growing population in the state.

Stewart commented that AFS has already done some of the hard work by combining administrative costs through a merger.

Larson stated that if AFS (Palmer) was put on the board at their FY06 request of \$453,575 for the time being, then the Council would not revisit them when dividing up the \$200,000 for cost-of-living increases.

Council members returned to discussing the Kenai Peninsula programs in Homer, Seward and Kenai-Soldotna. Seaview in Seward was put on the board at the FY05 funding level of \$77,811 with consideration for a cost-of-living increase later.

Parkes stated that LeeShore Center in Kenai was requesting an increase of \$121,897 to reinstate one advocate, pay administrative staff hours, and fund the anticipated increase in health insurance and workers compensation costs. There was another \$5,000 in utility expenses, contractual and travel.

Stewart said at this point she was not willing to fund LeeShore Center any more

than flat (\$397,401) plus a share of the cost-of-living money.

House and Jackson indicated they supported that proposal.

Turning to Homer, Jackson stated that SPWS opened a shelter last year without additional funding, so part of the requested increase for FY06 was to cover the shelter expense, the majority of it being staff.

Larson asked if the rural services position plus fringe expenses would be taken out of SPWS's requested increase. Parkes said yes. Larson said SPWS also added one advocate position in their budget.

Stewart said SPWS's FY06 request was \$414,915, so removing the personnel increases of roughly \$85,000 would bring the request down to \$329,915.

Referring to the new shelter costs at SPWS in Homer, Tandeske said at some level there was an analogy to the unfunded mandate the Council inherited with Maniilaq. He said he was not arguing either way, but members have to be cognizant that everything added to one program's budget is taking away from the COLA available to other programs.

Griggs indicated that the cumulative total of the grant requests put on the board so far was \$7,164,763, leaving \$31,037 available for cost-of-living adjustments.

Following a short break, Chair Stewart mentioned that there were general questions about whether or not spreading out the \$200,000 special legislative amount was intended for existing program costs. She said the Council recognized the concern and would be sure that all funded programs got a share of that legislatively intended program services increase. It would not be the same dollar amount for each program because they varied dramatically in size.

Stewart pointed out that many programs built cost increases into their requests, so the Council was not making an across-the-board addition for cost-of-living but looking back to the FY05 funding and building from there.

Parkes stated that the \$200,000 was roughly 2.5% to 3.0% of the CDVSA total funding for victim services. So it would mean adding that percentage to the FY05 funding. She calculated for AWIC in Barrow \$242,571 awarded in FY05 plus 3% (\$7,277) for a total of \$249,848.

Stewart noted that SPWS in Homer was on the board at a tentative \$329,915, far above a 3% addition to their FY05 grant.

Parkes added that, at \$702,642, IAC was also on the board at an increase that was beyond adding 3% to last year's funding level.

The Council next went through the programs that were on the board at flat funding and added a 3% cost-of-living to arrive at a new set of tentative funding numbers for FY06. At the end of this exercise, Griggs reported that the total request was over budget by \$42,360.

Parkes returned to SPWS in Homer, which was on the board at a substantial increase (\$329,915), and suggested that the \$42,360 be subtracted from there. Griggs indicated that would bring SPWS to \$287,555.

Jackson observed that AWRC in Anchorage only asked for a 0.91% increase over FY05 funding, while other programs were getting 3% increases. She wondered if that should be reconsidered.

Parkes said she assumed that any higher costs were built into AWRC's request.

Stewart stated that the only programs being funded beyond their requests were ones affected by shifting services in their area.

Jackson inquired about the legislative directions for the additional \$200,000 for FY06. Stewart explained that there was no direction to divide the money proportionately among the programs.

Stewart stated that she was comfortable with the funding determinations the Council just made.

Larson said she was generally comfortable with the awards as well, although she felt very badly about Emmonak Women's Shelter not being funded.

Tandeske added that not being able to fill Maniilaq's request was problematic.

Stewart said she felt badly for the communities because Emmonak and Maniilaq are both existing shelters that may cut services or close their doors without a guardian angel stepping in.

**MOTION BY SUSAN PARKES THAT THE CDVSA APPROPRIATE THE FY06 VICTIM SERVICES GRANT MONEY AS FOLLOWS:**

Alaska Family Services - Palmer .....	\$ 453,575
Advocates for Victims of Violence - Valdez .....	219,576
Abused Women's Aid in Crisis - Anchorage .....	828,616
Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies - Juneau .....	504,330
Arctic Women in Crisis - Barrow .....	249,848
Alaska Women's Resource Center - Anchorage .....	199,634
Bering Sea Women's Group - Nome .....	465,406
Cordova Family Resource Center - Cordova .....	52,964
Emmonak Women's Shelter - Emmonak .....	0

Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living - Fairbanks .....	702,642
Kodiak Women's Resource and Crisis Center - Kodiak.....	272,256
LeeShore Center (K/SWRCC) - Kenai-Soldotna .....	409,323
Maniilaq Association Family Crisis Center - Kotzebue.....	0
Safe and Fear-Free Environment - Dillingham .....	385,116
Sitkans Against Family Violence - Sitka .....	312,503
Seaview Community Services - Seward .....	80,145
South Peninsula Women's Services - Homer.....	283,555
Standing Together Against Rape - Anchorage.....	412,789
Tundra Women's Coalition - Bethel .....	704,133
Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence - Unalaska .....	126,691
Victims For Justice - Anchorage .....	0
Women in Safe Homes - Ketchikan .....	532,698
 Total .....	 \$7,195,800

DOROTHY LARSON SECONDED THE MOTION.

The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

Break 2:40 to 2:50 p.m.

Community Based Batterers Intervention Programs

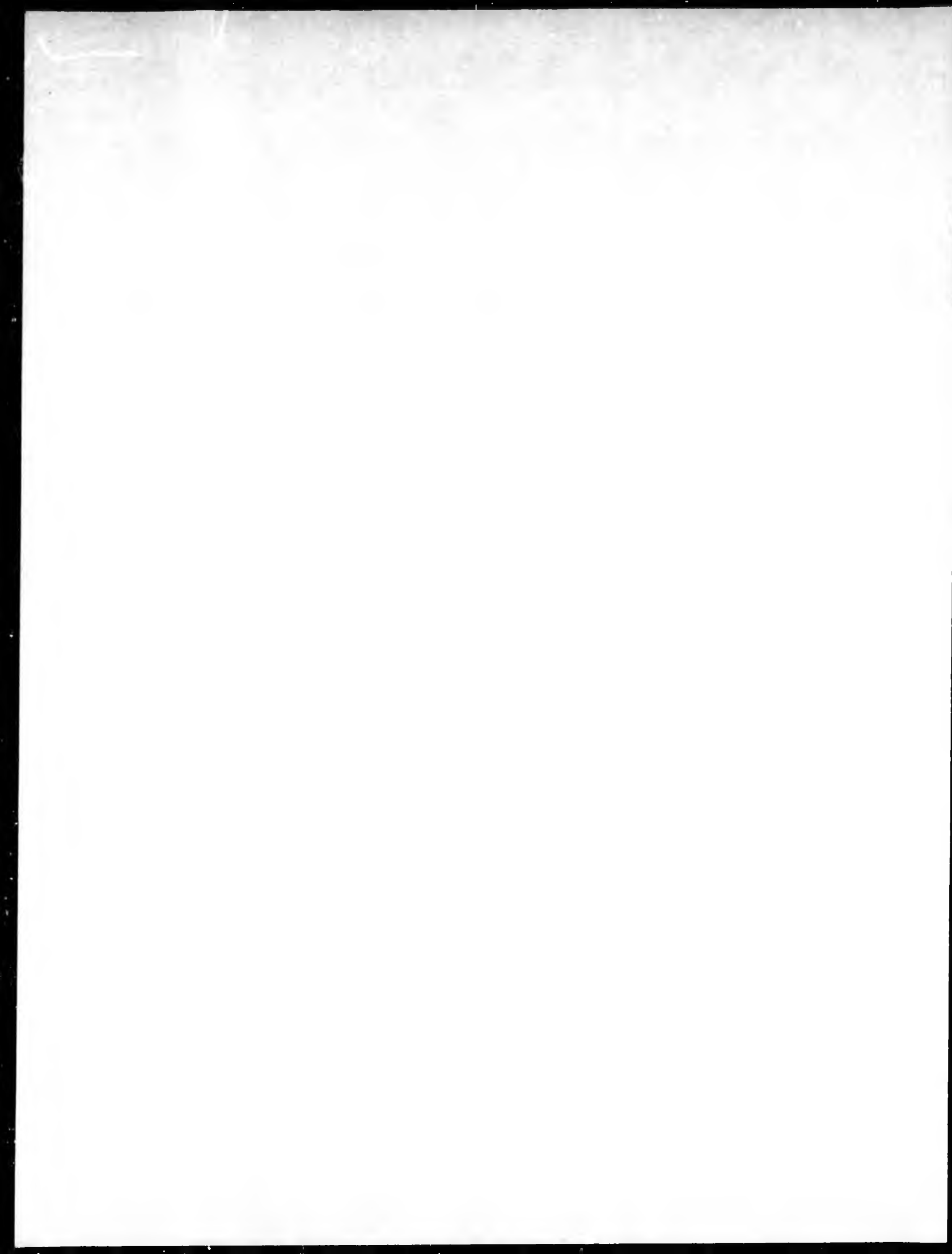
FY06 funding available: \$200,000  
Total grant requests: \$475,738

The Council funded four community BIPs in FY05 — AFS in Palmer, IAC in Fairbanks, KIC in Ketchikan, and SPWS in Homer. There were eight applications for FY06 funding.

Chair Stewart opened up the discussion to the possibility of changes in funding for previously funded programs or adding new programs.

Tandeske inquired about the privately run BIPs in Anchorage and who covered the cost of indigents to attend counseling. *[Typist's note: The responder was unidentified and the response inaudible - something about the Men's Center.]*

Parkes said this was the first year she wished the Council had more money to grant to batterers intervention programs because she found the presentations very compelling. She also liked the victim services programs providing the BIP services. But she felt this was the same as the Maniilaq situation, where the Council only has enough money to support the existing programs.



MOTION BY SUSAN PARKES THAT THE CDVSA FUND THE BATTERERS INTERVENTION PROGRAMS AT PALMER, FAIRBANKS, KETCHIKAN AND HOMER IN FISCAL YEAR 2006 AT LAST YEAR'S AWARD AMOUNTS:

Alaska Family Services - Palmer .....	\$ 55,812
Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living - Fairbanks .....	67,312
Ketchikan Indian Corporation - Ketchikan .....	51,313
South Peninsula Women's Services - Homer.....	25,563
Total .....	\$200,000

SECONDED BY ANN HOUSE.

Stewart inquired if there was anything about the way services were being delivered at these programs that caused concern or warranted comment. She added that she didn't single any program out as failing.

Larson said every one of the proposals was good, and she really liked Ketchikan's program for wanting to expand using technology.

Jackson echoed Parkes' comment about wishing the Council had more money because these are good programs, particularly when they are integrated with the victim services programs. It would be wonderful to have more money to expand BIPs.

The question was called, and the motion passed unanimously.

Prison Batterers Intervention Programs

FY06 funding available: \$98,237  
Total grant requests: \$136,089

Stewart noted that there were three requests for funding: two of those the Council funded in FY05.

Tandeske clarified that the funding comes from the Department of Corrections through a reimbursable services agreement (RSA). Griggs added that the RSA is for \$106,000, and \$98,237 of that is specifically line itemed to pay for batterers intervention in the state's prisons. Five thousand is lined out for personal services, and there is \$462 in the supply line. She tried to get that last item changed last year, but DOC was in upheaval so she could not connect with the RSA person to do it. She said she would be happy to try again to leave \$5,000 for personal services and the remainder for the programs.

Tandeske asked if the origin of the \$106,000 was a federal grant or a state general fund request. Griggs replied that DOC does not always indicate what kind of money

it is. Tandeske requested that staff inquire to Corrections about that, particularly because the departments will be starting their FY07 budgets fairly soon. It would be nice to explore having the BIPs money bumped up, but the starting point is finding out where that funding comes from.

House said she, too, wished there was more money for the BIPs because they are good programs.

Parkes indicated she would make a motion on the prison BIPs based on the same reasons she proposed the funding allocation for the community based BIPs.

**MOTION BY SUSAN PARKES THAT THE CDVSA FUND THE PRISON BATTERERS INTERVENTION PROGRAMS AT PALMER AND FAIRBANKS IN FISCAL YEAR 2006 AT THE FY05 AWARD LEVEL:**

Alaska Family Services - Palmer .....	\$ 56,589
Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living - Fairbanks .....	41,648
Total .....	\$ 98,237

DOROTHY LARSON SECONDED.

There was no further discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### DISCUSS GENERIC GRANT AWARD CONDITIONS

Community Based Victim Services Programs (Document #05-49)

Community Based Batterers Intervention Programs (Document #05-50)

Prison Batterers Intervention Programs (Document #05-51)

Chair Stewart noted that each program applying for a grant would have noticed the grant award conditions included in that particular RFP.

Griggs added that programs will receive a grant award notice that will come with grant award conditions, which the program will have to sign and return to the Council Office.

Tandeske asked that staff make sure that the programs that were zeroed out for FY06 funding are contacted in a timely manner and that they clearly understand the Council's action. He also requested, in the case of Emmonak, that staff contact Tundra Women's Coalition in Bethel to make sure the transition is seamless. In the case of Maniilaq, he suggested working with them to find out that program's intentions and what their fall-back strategy is going to be.

Stewart asked Barbara Mason to keep Council members posted if other questions come up that need clarification or action.

### INDIVIDUAL GRANT AWARD CONDITIONS

Community Based Victim Services Programs: There were no special grant award conditions.

Community Based Batterers Intervention Programs: There were no special grant award conditions.

Prison Batterers Intervention Programs: There were no special grant award conditions.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m. on June 11, 2005, on a motion made by Susan Parkes and seconded by Dorothy Larson.

Note: These summary minutes are extracted from staff's tape recording of the meeting and are prepared by an independent contractor. For more detail, please refer to tapes of the meeting, staff reports and presentation materials on file at the CDVSA office.

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**Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault  
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**Wednesday, September 14, 2005**

8:30 Call to Order

Roll Call

Acceptance or revision of agenda

Approval of June 9, 10 and 11, 2005 Minutes

8.45 CDVSA Reports -Barbara  
Victim Services on time performance  
Victim Services Program Summary Report  
Victim Services end of year report summary

Batterers Intervention programs on time performance  
Batterers Program Summary Report

Independent Audit Reports

9:00 Financial Report – Barbara  
SAP Funds

9:15 Shelter Funding issues  
○ Kotzebue funding for Supplemental –Bill  
○ Native Shelter Funding issues

9:45 Conflict of interest – Ombudsmen Report

10:00 Break

10:15 Public Comment

10:30 Underserved – VOCA requirements

10:45 Legislature

- Last years Legislative issues
- New Legislation

11:30 Denali Commission update – Barbara

12:00 Lunch

1:00 HEA AT update

1:15 Fatality Review – Janna

1:30 DOC VINE Position

1:45 VOCA – Draft Onsite Report

2:00 Finish any Strategic planning tasks

**STATE OF ALASKA  
COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT**

**MINUTES OF FIRST QUARTER FY06 MEETING  
September 14, 2005**

**Pearson's Pond, 4541 Sawa Circle  
Juneau, Alaska**

**CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

Chair Janna Stewart called the quarterly meeting of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault to order at 8:42 a.m. on September 14, 2005.

**Council members present:** Susan Parkes, Department of Law; William Tandeske, Department of Public Safety; Ann House, Public Member; Janna Stewart, Public Member; Dorothy Larson, Public Member; Barbara Thompson, Department of Education & Early Development

**Council member absent:** Karleen Jackson

**Council staff present:** Barbara Mason, Executive Director; Joanne Griggs, Administrative Manager (on-line for a short time); Tim Workman, Statistical Technician

**Others present:** Karen Pearce Brown, Recording Secretary

**ACCEPTANCE OR REVISION OF AGENDA**

MOTION BY SUSAN PARKES THAT THE COUNCIL ADOPT THE AGENDA, AS PRESENTED. BARBARA THOMPSON SECONDED.

The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 10 & 11, 2005 MEETING**

MOTION BY SUSAN PARKES TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 9, 10 & 11, 2005 MEETING, AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY DOROTHY LARSON.

The motion passed unanimously.

**CDVSA REPORTS**

CDVSA Executive Director Barbara Mason reviewed the following reports, highlighting several items and answering questions.

### **Victim Services On-Time Performance Report**

Mason said for victim services programs, AWAIC in Anchorage (8/31), BSWG in Nome, SCS in Seward (8/30) and WISH in Ketchikan were a bit late in submitting performance reports. SAFE in Dillingham, STAR in Anchorage, USAFV in Unalaska, and EWS in Emmonak had not submitted their reports at the time the spreadsheet was prepared.

Chair Stewart suggested identifying the late dates in bold or italics so they are easier to distinguish. Larson added that carrying the column headers over to the second page would also be helpful.

Larson observed that there has been an overall improvement in timely performance report submittals.

Stewart questioned why AWAIC and SCS were so late in reporting. Mason said they were missing pieces in their reports, so the submittal date is when the Council receives all the required quarterly information.

There was a brief exchange among Council members about incentives to improve reporting timeliness, with one comment that withholding quarterly funds should be the last resort. Mason remarked that it put programs on notice during the June funding meeting when Council members mentioned which programs had timely reporting versus those who were late. She thought it had an impact and resulted in more reports being on time this quarter.

### **Victim Services Program Summary Report**

Mason said she was impressed with how well the various programs work with their communities and some of the innovative things they are doing. Alaska Family Services (AFS) in Palmer mentioned that the ongoing moratorium on housing vouchers is making it hard for victims to maintain separate housing from the perpetrators. AFS also reported difficulty in getting responses on violations of protective orders, and that judges are inconsistent in granting and denying protective orders. AFS reported that court clerks are making inappropriate comments to victims which are breaches of confidentiality when they are closely related to the petitioners or the defendants. AFS indicated that immigrants do not seem to be eligible for many services, but Council staff needs more information on that issue.

Mason stated that there were reports in the "concerns" section that the number of long-term protective orders has declined and there have been some problems with that. She said she checked to see how many programs were working with the Victims of Crimes Compensation Board, and AFS in Palmer submitted 25 victim compensation claims.

Mason said that Advocates for Victims of Violence (AVV) in Valdez is working with the schools and developing positive relationships with the programs in the area.

AVV held a domestic violence training for the health care providers. AVV reported that a local police department is unwilling to transport victims unless they are in imminent danger. There is a new judge in Valdez, a positive note.

[Ann House joined the meeting at 8:52 a.m.]

Chair Stewart said she noted some significant court system issues and a few prosecutor issues in the quarterly program reports. The Network is taking an active role in some of that, but the Council is just keeping an eye on things. She said quite a few programs expressed frustration with vacant OCS (Office of Children's Services) positions.

*How  
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Mason noted that reports from Anchorage mentioned working with the hospital and lack of victim support with mental health issues. Another issue that stood out in the Anchorage reports was a problem with getting interpreters.

Mason reported that Nancy Mendenhall is the new interim executive director at Bering Sea Women's Group in Nome. She added that high turnover — in OCS, in judges, in prosecutors, and with program staff — was a common theme throughout the quarterly reports. Two programs had almost 100% turnover in their own staff.

Parkes stated that she tries to address concerns in the reports that relate to the Department of Law.

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Noting that the reports are public documents, Chair Stewart raised the question of whether to compile the programs' concerns and provide the information to the court system. Thompson said that sending the court system a series of "nasty-grams" is not the answer, and the Council would have to determine how real the concerns are before taking any action. She added that she believes that people are experiencing some difficulty, but it is impossible to tell from the quarterly reports who has caused it or what the whole story is.

Parkes said that if the programs are going to include specific complaints about prosecutors in a public document, they have to take some responsibility to deal with the problems themselves before doing so and before expecting the Council to step in.

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Chair Stewart stated that this issue could be part of the American Civics training that she is developing with the Network. She added that she had encountered advocates with complaints who have not spoken with their executive director or other program staff, so they need direction to open up the communication links. She said she felt an obligation to do some follow-up with the programs experiencing problems with the legal system, even if only to direct them to the Network's legal staff to explore the options.

Mason commented that most of the program reports included an explanation of

what they have been doing to address their problems.

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Larson said that if programs report an issue the Council could require them to attempt to resolve it and provide a follow-up report of their efforts and the outcome. She thought that continuing education and training for magistrates and judges would be helpful as well. The legal and law enforcement systems have come a long way since she worked at SAFE in Dillingham.

Chair Stewart remarked that the cultures have changed, although there is still occasionally a bad egg in the legal system. Mason added that sometimes a law enforcement person or OCS worker simply is better at dealing with some issues, like physical or sexual abuse, than other issues, like domestic violence.

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Mason pointed out that the executive director at Interior Alaska Center (IAC) in Fairbanks raised a point in their report that Alaska still qualifies shelters as hospitals under the workers' compensation definitions, which means shelters pay the same rate that hospitals pay for nursing staff. The executive director at IAC proposed that the Council work on legislation that would create a classification to give shelters a lower rate.

When queried by Stewart, Parkes said that a big workers' compensation bill passed last year and she would check if the definitions or rates are set by regulations.

Mason mentioned that Seaview Community Services (Seward) reported dealing with a serial batterer through the justice system. The batterer has only been charged with misdemeanors, and several of the victims are interested in a law that would make serial battery a felony.

Parkes stated that it would be much more compelling if the shelters went to their legislators directly about changes to the laws. Legislators are quite open to constituents who come to them with compelling stories and requests for bills, and where people are willing to testify at hearings. The shelters should contact their respective senators and representatives about things like serial battery and workers' compensation.

Mason indicated she would convey that suggestion to Seward.

#### **Victim Services End-of-Year Report Summary**

Mason said the year-end reports showed what a good job the shelters have been doing and included a lot of information also contained in the quarterly reports.

Mason asked if Alaska had a battered woman's defense in statute. Parkes said no, but that type of self-defense argument has been used in trial.

### **Batterers Intervention Programs On-time Performance Report**

Mason stated that all the batterers intervention program (BIP) reports were on time.

### **Batterers Intervention Programs Summary Report**

Mason indicated that BIPs also reported issues with courts. IAC in Fairbanks reported some positive outcomes in the program, including having participants return to talk about how the program had helped change their lives. IAC also wrote of a concern that inmates advise each other to fight the charge and the district attorney's office will basically drop the charge. IAC has seen more repeat offenders pleading not guilty and never going to trial on the charge. Mason said the question is how to intervene so that does not become a common occurrence.

### **Independent Audit Reports**

Mason referred to the FY05/06 independent audit schedule included in the meeting materials. She said that the federal programs — VAWA (Violence Against Women Act), VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) and FVPSA (Family Violence Prevention Services Act) — only require an independent audit if the grant reaches a certain amount. CDVSA, in its RFPs, requires an independent audit of all the programs, but the question is whether the Council wants this audit done annually, every two years, or even less often for small programs. Staff is trying to figure out a better way of coordinating the audit requirements.

Jo Griggs (by telephone) pointed out that AFS in Palmer and IAC in Fairbanks were the only programs that require a federal audit, based on the amount of federal grant funding they received.

There was discussion about the dollar amount of state funding that requires an audit. Griggs thought it was a combination of \$300,000 funding from various state sources. She offered to work on refining the audit schedule so it provides useful information, and report back to the Council at the December meeting.

Parkes said being able to see if the audit requirements come from regulations, statutes, RFPs, etc. would help the Council decide if it wanted to change the policy or whether there would have to be a statutory change.

Larson said that she preferred to limit the audits to the two-year funding cycle because audits are time consuming and very expensive.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mason reported that CDVSA has assigned the FY06 encumbrances to the funded programs. Of interest are the federal earmarks that Council-funded programs received — SAFE in Dillingham got \$336,000 and BSWG in Nome received \$445,444.

Larson asked about the "budget estimated use" column, and Griggs explained why

the VAWA funding available is not used up each year. The victim services programs generally use all the current year VAWA funding and a portion of the following year: the Department of Law, the Court System, and the Alaska State Troopers only use a portion of the money available.

Mason clarified that the VAWA funding designated for Law, the Court System and AST is pass-through money that goes directly to those agencies without an RFP process.

Parkes said maybe the funding should not be reflected in the CDVSA budget because it is misleading. Larson added that it looks like there is \$9.6 million in the FY06 budget and that only \$8.8 million is going to be spent, which the legislature could misinterpret. Griggs said this is an internal report that does not go to the legislature, but she agreed with Larson that it is a public document.

Chair Stewart requested that staff include a footnote on this report that explains the discrepancy related to VAWA funding.

Mason reported that CDVSA had not expected to get any more federal Sexual Assault Prevention (SAP) funding, but \$13,000 came through after the Council's June funding meeting. She asked the Council how they wanted to use the \$13,000 (an RFP process is not required). One option is to swap it out for PFD (permanent fund dividend) or General Fund money in order to have more flexibility in using it.

Larson suggested moving the \$13,000 into program services so the Council could use General Fund money to pay for a position. Other Council members indicated they thought that was a reasonable course of action.

Thompson asked why there was remaining VOCA funding from federal fiscal year 2004 when there was also spending from the FFY05 grant, and the same with VAWA having expenditures from FFY03, FFY04 and FFY05 grant years.

Griggs explained that VOCA had administrative funds left at the end of federal fiscal year 2004, and at the very end of June 2004 CDVSA received money back from one of the programs that saved money through some reorganization they did. The balance of the FFY04 VOCA money (from both administrative and grants) will be put toward the \$55,000 RFP that CDVSA will be doing with the Department of Corrections. The remainder needed to make up the \$55,000 to Corrections will come from VOCA federal FY05 administrative funding. For VAWA, the FFY03 grant balance will be cleared off by the next financial report, and FFY04 will be used next to pay expenditures.

Noting the expiration date of 03-31-05 for the VAWA FFY03 funding for DPS/AST, Larson asked if that unspent grant balance was lost. Griggs said no, that CDVSA requested and received extensions on all the VAWA grants.

Thompson questioned why the projected VAWA FFY03 funding available for DPS/AST was shown as \$82,768, while the estimated use was \$109,000. Griggs replied that DPS/AST has two RSAs (reimbursable services agreements), one being a subgrant with the University of Alaska. It was an oversight that she did not combine the projected available amounts for both RSAs and she will correct that for the next report.

### SHELTER FINDING ISSUES

#### **Kotzebue Funding - Supplemental Bill**

Tandeske spoke on the topic of the Department of Public Safety seeking supplemental funding for Maniilaq Association Family Crisis Center in Kotzebue, which had applied to CDVSA for about \$355,000 in state funding in June and was denied. (He noted that Council members also discussed this item at the retreat on September 13.) He said he spoke with some legislators in the region and was confident the department could get about \$250,000 in a supplemental for Maniilaq, if the Council wanted to pursue that route. It would help get Maniilaq through until the next regular funding cycle and would be preferable to the center in Kotzebue closing its doors.

Parkes recalled that the main reason the Council did not fund Maniilaq Association in June was because it was a brand-new program, and the Council needed to support the existing shelters. In fact, the Emmonak Women's Shelter, which had been funded for several years, was defunded in the FY06 grant year. She agreed that Kotzebue is a hub and a very violent area: in the service delivery system view of the state, the Council wants a shelter in Kotzebue.

Larson recalled that the Maniilaq proposal had a high indirect cost component (about 26%). Thompson said it depends on what costs Maniilaq included in the indirect; sometimes costs that are hard to identify are put into indirect. Larson said Maniilaq's indirect component in their funding request was for the association's indirect rate and not a program indirect rate.

Tandeske remarked that it seems like Maniilaq is the only victim services provider right now in the Kotzebue region.

Larson wondered if the Council had asked Maniilaq at the funding meeting if the association could operate the shelter program if the indirect cost component was backed out of their request. Parkes recalled that the person making Maniilaq's presentation in June was not in a position to answer that question, but it seemed that taking out the \$85,000 in indirect costs was not an option.

Chair Stewart stated that the person who presented Maniilaq's grant proposal in June (Susan Jones) ran the shelter for years but is now gone. That raises a question about the current structure and who is in charge of the shelter program now.

Tandeske explained that the intent is not just to get a \$250,000 supplemental to fund Maniilaq this year but to build that money into the Council's base budget for future years. The funding should not be an earmark, so Maniilaq would have to compete with everyone else for funding the next time around.

There was an exchange among Council members about whether the supplemental request for Maniilaq should be for two years, since this is the first year of a two-year funding cycle. Parkes made the point that if the Council receives flat funding for FY07, the money is not reopened, and the programs are awarded the same amount as they were granted in FY06. She added that if the Council gets additional funding built into the FY07 budget that is not earmarked for Maniilaq she thought the Council would be required to give it to the programs that were funded in the two-year cycle.

Noting that the Council did not fund Emmonak's request, Thompson posed the question of whether Kotzebue would have been next in line for funding at the June funding meeting if there had been enough money in the Council's FY06 budget.

Parkes said the Council did not have that debate or make that decision at the June meeting. There were other programs besides Emmonak that were not funded in FY06.

House indicated she supported funding Maniilaq in Kotzebue because of the association's partnerships with organizations in the area to do intervention with batterers.

Chair Stewart agreed there are a lot of good reasons to have a program operating in Kotzebue; the question is how to do it without the Council building itself into a box.

Tandeske suggested that if it is a legal issue, it might be better to get a supplemental for FY06 and ask for an earmark for FY07, with the understanding that the Commissioner of Public Safety planning the FY08 budget at that time will need to get out the earmark and ask for the additional funding in the Council's base budget. He added that the key is to get the regional legislators actively involved in supporting the funding for Kotzebue, and Al Adams is one who working on that.

MOTION BY SUSAN PARKES THAT THE CDVSA SUPPORT A DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUEST FOR \$250,000 FOR FY06 TO GO TO MANIILAQ ASSOCIATION FAMILY CRISIS CENTER IN KOTZEBUE, AND TO ALSO SUPPORT A MOVEMENT BY LEGISLATORS TO ADD \$250,000 TO THE CDVSA FY07 BUDGET FOR MANIILAQ, WITH THE HOPE THAT THE MONEY WILL GO INTO THE COUNCIL'S BASE BUDGET FOR THE FOLLOWING FUNDING CYCLE. ANN HOUSE SECONDED.

The motion passed without objection, 6-0.

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST - OMBUDSMAN REPORT

Parkes reported that the ombudsman report recommended that the Council have a more specific process for checking conflicts of interest, such as Council members being on boards of programs for which they are making funding decisions. The question is whether the Council should be doing something more than the law requires.

After a brief discussion about Alaska Public Offices Commission (APOC) disclosure requirements, Parkes said she would look again at the language in the ombudsman report, consult with the Department of Law's ethics person, and report back with a proposal at the December meeting.

## UNDERSERVED - VOCA REQUIREMENTS

Mason reported that because there was a lot of confusion about what is considered "underserved population" she wrote a letter to the Office of Victims of Crime. Their response was to talk with the program specialist for VOCA, Brad Mitchell. Mason contacted Mitchell, who clarified that basically the program specialist can say what is considered underserved and what is not, and he is fine with underserved being counted as adults molested as children (which was part of the controversy). This opened up the bigger issue that for VOCA funds the requirement is that the state can help identify what is its underserved population. The parameters include rural areas, and populations that have particular issues (immigration, Native, and urban if, for example, there is a particular gang problem in a city).

Mason explained that the VOCA reporting form only lists certain underserved categories (adults molested as children, victims of robbery, victims of homicide, victims of other assaults) plus an "other" category. So if CDVSA wants to identify Alaska's underserved population as Native rural, then there is no way to track that on the VOCA reporting form that is submitted to Washington, D.C. The Council could identify what it considers its underserved population and relay that in a letter to the VOCA program specialist, and then either report it in the "other" category or by attaching a letter showing how it is tracking that underserved population.

When queried by Larson, Tim Workman said he expanded the CDVSA reporting form that the programs use so it captures a wide variety of crimes.

Mason suggested that CDVSA staff work with the programs to identify Alaska's underserved population and present it to the Council for review and approval as areas in which to focus future VOCA funds.

Thompson mentioned that there should be data to back up staff's recommendations for what is underserved. Larson added that an underserved population could change in a few years, so the Council should avoid boxing itself in.

Mason indicated that when she attends the VOCA conference in November she would check how other agencies identify their underserved populations.

Parkes requested that at the December meeting staff provide a copy of the VOCA reporting form and the program reporting form, as well as a copy of the guidelines and definitions so Council members could see everything and make an informed decision.

Responding to Stewart, Mason said there is approximately \$119,000 of VOCA funding designated for services to underserved populations.

Parkes said that the villages where there is no program but they are being served by hub programs are underserved populations. That definition could encourage more of the hub type of delivery systems.

Stewart stated that if there are a series of circumstances that put a community or a region at high risk, it's an advantage to identify them somehow so the Council can focus funding there.

The Chair called a break from 10:05 to 10:20 a.m. Barbara Thompson was absent when the meeting reconvened and rejoined the meeting at 10:50 a.m. during the legislation discussion.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present or on line who wished to address the Council.

#### LEGISLATION

The Council and the executive director spent the next hour reviewing pending legislation that might impact the work of the CDVSA and making decisions on whether to support, oppose or be neutral on the bills. There was in-depth discussion on the details of each bill, and the following is a summary of the highlights and the Council's positions on each one:

- HB 118 - A bill that is requesting CDVSA to become a confidential address for victims. A second piece of the bill would allow limited access for businesses to the permanent fund dividend applicant address information. The Council opposes this bill. Issues are cost to the Department of Public Safety, liability, providing day-to-day services to victims by acting as a "Mailboxes, Etc.," how to identify who is a victim, and there is no documentation that something is broke in Alaska that needs fixing.
- HB 55 - A bill to give victims of crime standing in the court if they feel that their rights were not addressed in a defendant's trial. The Council opposes this bill. Issues are that victims often make decisions based on emotion and

not the law and their appeals could delay trials, victims can be manipulated by defendants, and ultimately victims would be hurt because legal and court system resources would be so strained.

- SB 54 - A bill for protective orders for sexual assault and stalking victims. The Council supports the concept of this bill in general.
- HB 58 (SB 20) - A bill relating to offenses against unborn children. The Governor supports this legislation, and the Network is very opposed to it. Council members have decided early on not to take a position on this bill. Even though there are victim components, it does not deal directly with sexual assault or domestic violence for CDVSA purposes.
- SB 134 - A bill to establish investigation standards for police officers. The Council opposes this bill. The bill is unnecessary and won't contribute to victim or public safety, it will result in putting the police officer "on trial" for their investigative performance, and it could weaken sexual assault cases.

Mason offered to put together fact sheets on the Council's position on each bill, along with a chart that tracks the progress of bills through the legislative process.

The Council decided to discuss these bills with the Network at the December meeting to find out their positions prior to the legislative session starting in January.

Mason asked if the Council wanted to have a Legislative Committee this year. She said she would continue to participate in the Network's Legislative Committee.

Chair Stewart said that the system worked well last year without a formal committee. She and Parkes and Mason tracked the bills and kept the Council informed by e-mail about any legislation of interest.

Chair Stewart raised the problems with the state statute that currently provides that an unexpired protective order issued in another jurisdiction may be filed with the clerk of court in any judicial district in the state. It has the same effect and must be enforced in the same manner as an Alaska protective order. Stewart said this is arguably inconsistent with the federal full faith and credit law because it adds another step for "foreign" orders. There has been some question about whether or not "may be filed with the clerk of court in any judicial district in the state" should be done away with. She said that Katie TePas in Public Safety has been pushing this change for a couple of years.

Responding to Tandeske, Stewart said she did not think any new cover sheet was added to orders from another jurisdiction. The victim has the order, and arguably under Alaska law, in order to get it enforced in Alaska, she has to file it with the court, which puts it into the registry. She said the state court does not do any screening or assessment of "foreign" orders, which in practice includes tribal (federal) orders.

Tandeske said one of the first steps is to find out what "registry" means.

Chair Stewart commented that full faith and credit is a huge topic, and there have been multiple conferences on it. She wondered if this complicated project is something that the Council wants to take the lead on.

Parkes remarked that Alaska is a bit isolated and does not see as many foreign orders as states in the Lower 48: the biggest issue is with tribal orders.

Stewart said there is the question of an order complying with the Indian Civil Rights Act in order to be a valid order, so there is an analytical process to determine if the order is actually enforceable.

After a short discussion, the Council put this item on December's agenda. Parkes offered to speak with Dean Guaneli in the Department of Law, who has been involved in some of these issues historically. Stewart agreed to discuss outside protective orders with the court system. Tandeske said he would speak with Katie TePas. Mason promised to consult with the Network to get their position on what victims would like to see. Larson suggested getting the tribal perspective, as well, because tribal courts are being encouraged to be more active in the domestic violence area.

Larson said she would not be at the December meeting, but she asked that someone let her know the outcome of this discussion because it affects the court in the Dillingham area.

#### DENALI COMMISSION UPDATE

Mason reported that the 2004 funds from the Denali Commission are being spent out for repairs and renovations to shelters. She passed around a chart showing the progress and completion of each repair and renovation. There was a sizeable amount of leftover 2004 funds, and, after Council staff did a quick needs survey, a second group of projects was identified. There is another \$5 million in 2005 funds from the Denali Commission for capital improvements, and the decision was to focus that money on new construction. The project list for 2005 is still fluid because some of the 2004/2005 new construction projects are not going to happen. The Cordova Family Resource Center withdrew their request for a new shelter because they did not get additional funding for more staff, and the Tundra Women's Coalition in Bethel first reduced its request for a major renovation and then withdrew altogether. Some of the other new construction projects are coming in higher than the estimates.

Mason explained that Seward's Seaview Community Services is a combination of services, and the agency purchased the building that all the various health and social services are using. But because the domestic violence program did not have any funds, it did not buy out a portion of the mortgage. Seward is requesting Denali

Commission funds to buy the domestic violence portion of the building where they are housed. The Denali Commission reviewed the request at its last meeting and passed it as an allowable use of funds.

Parkes inquired about what would happen if the Seward shelter closed down.

Mason said that St. Paul was the latest new construction project added to the list for Denali funding. Arvin Miller, the Denali Commission contractor, visited St. Paul and found they have some prefabricated buildings that could be put on a site for a shelter. The issue is sustainability.

Mason explained that the Denali Commission's committee to review construction project requests has been broadened to include Michael from H&SS, Sammy from Rasmuson, Tammy Young from the Native Women's Coalition, Lauree Hugonin, Peggy Brown from the Network, Arvin Miller, and Mason from CDVSA. The next committee meeting is in October. Alaska Health & Social Services is in charge of doing the new construction contracting, and the Foraker Group is assisting in writing business plans for the projects that have been deemed viable.

Parkes asked about the match requirements on the Denali grants. Mason replied that the match is 50% for most of the new construction projects. For the repairs and renovations the match is based on the definitions of distressed and non-distressed communities.

There was a brief discussion about some rural programs being unable to meet the match requirements for the 2004 Denali grants, about the potential for the Rasmuson Foundation to provide matching funds, and that the match issues for that round of funding were eventually resolved.

Larson asked if the Denali Commission was going to continue providing \$5 million a year for shelter repairs and new construction. Mason said she believed this would be the last year.

Chair Stewart stated that it is nice to get the capital funds, but the programs need money to operate their facilities as well.

Tandeske said he thought the burst of federal money for shelters came out of Alaska Senator Ted Stevens' office.

Mason remarked that the money has been a huge benefit to shelters. She added that many programs are so used to just getting by that when they were solicited in the needs survey they did not ask for everything they needed.

Stewart said that Arvin Miller not only saved money but also suggested other reasonable expenditures when he visited the shelters to review their requests.

## HEA AT UPDATE

Mason brought the Council up to date on the work of the Homelessness Ends in Alaska Advisory Team (HEA AT), of which Karleen Jackson has been the chair. Alaska is one of eight states selected from the federal Homeless Policy Academy. The Alaska team set out goals to promote locally delivered collaborative family centered services, to increase collaboration and coordination to end homelessness (mental health, prisoners, teens), to integrate homeless planning efforts across the state, to increase safe and affordable housing, and to help people retain their housing once they have a place to live. Each goal has several strategies and action steps.

Chair Stewart stated that the efforts of HEA AT are good and cooperative, but the Council must not lose sight of the particular needs of domestic violence and sexual assault victims. Mason replied that her role on the team is to represent the CDVSA's target population to get into the system and get housing.

## LUNCH RECESS

The Chair called a lunch recess from 11:50 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## GOVERNOR'S FAITH-BASED COMMITTEE

Mason reported that as part of the creation of the Governor's faith-based committee, Cindy Cashen met with Mason to talk about the Council's structure and how it functions. The committee has been interviewing various successful councils that have been in existence for a while to see how they work.

Tandeske mentioned that Karleen Jackson has been active in this effort and will be a source of information for the Council.

## FATALITY REVIEW

Chair Stewart indicated this was an information item for the Council and no action was required. She said there was a law passed about a year and a half ago to create a domestic violence fatality review process at either the municipal level or the state level. Her job at the Department of Public Safety is to get the Alaska regulations ready for the process. The Anchorage DV caucus has a subcommittee that has put together a proposed protocol for the Anchorage domestic violence fatality review process and a draft ordinance for the Anchorage Assembly. Stewart said she has been participating with that committee since December. The Municipality has not taken ownership of the protocol so the committee has been unable to get any technical input on preparing the ordinance. She said no other Alaska cities have started the municipal process, although she heard that Fairbanks might be the next place.

Stewart said the purpose of a domestic violence fatality review is to do a comprehensive review of a fatality to determine where gaps in services occurred, where red flags were raised, and where there could have been intervention and prevention of the DV death.

Tandeske stated that the state has to adopt regulations for a state DV fatality review.

Stewart said that she is doing the legwork on that now. Several dozen states do these reviews at either the state or county level. Some states review the data in a lot of cases, while others take one case and do a comprehensive, in-depth analysis of what systems worked and what did not.

The Council spent some time discussing the work the Anchorage committee has been doing on their protocol. Stewart provided a copy of what she has done to date and where she sees the issues with the Anchorage protocol. She has been working with the Network on the legal issues, a very important aspect of an effective DV fatality review.

Chair Stewart stated that it is too early to know if the CDVSA might want to be one of the active members in a fatality review, or might the participation from the victim's perspective be better done by the victim advocates at a program. She said Barbara Mason has some experience with this from Salt Lake City so she has been monitoring the process that Anchorage is developing from the Council's perspective.

Stewart reported that she is also participating on the Alaska violent death review system, which is a public health process, as well as the already established child fatality review.

#### DOC VINE POSITION

Mason reported that there was a discussion at the June meeting about the CDVSA giving \$55,000 of VOCA funds to the Department of Corrections each year to pay for the criminal justice technician position that works with the VINE victim notification system. The Department of Corrections transfers \$68,500 to the CDVSA every year for staff to assess and monitor the batterers intervention programs. The two pots of money are totally separate, and there is no implied agreement that one transfer of funds is contingent on the other. This last year, the Council used leftover administrative funds to pay the \$55,000 for the position at DOC, but traditionally it has come out of VOCA funds.

Larson suggested asking the legislature for \$55,000 to pay for an unfunded state mandate.

Chair Stewart asked Mason to document her research into this exchange of money

between CDVSA and Corrections, in case the question arises again.

Mason said the issue arose at the June funding meeting because DOC requests the \$55,000 for the CJT position each year in a letter to the Council. Thompson said an RFP is not necessary to transfer funding between two state agencies.

Parkes asked if the \$55,000 to Corrections is part of the \$119,000 mandated VOCA dollars for the underserved category. Mason said the VINE program clearly fits into the underserved. She said she inquired about it in a letter to Washington but an answer to that question was not part of their response.

#### VOCA - DRAFT ON-SITE REPORT

Mason reported that Brad Mitchell, CDVSA's program specialist from the VOCA office in Washington, D.C., was very pleased with the Council's record keeping, the desk audits, how thorough the auditing system is, and how staff tracks the dollars of the various grants. The recommendations from the last audit had all been completed and were in place. The only new recommendation was to document what the VOCA funding cannot be spent for. Mr. Mitchell had mentioned how pleased he was that the programs identify that they will work with all victims, not just domestic violence and sexual assault victims. She said the site visit was great overall, and the draft report will become final.

#### FINISH STRATEGIC PLANNING TASKS

Chair Stewart indicated that today Mason provided the Network calendar of trainings, as discussed at the retreat yesterday. She said the Council is more interested in coordinating local and state conferences and trainings and not in the national trainings on the Network calendar.

Mason said she would organize a timeline for the projects discussed at the retreat and send it out to the Council.

#### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 8, 2005, tentatively from 9 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

Chair Stewart indicated that this would be Dorothy Larson's last meeting, if she was not reappointed for another term.

Larson said she has enjoyed her service on the Council. She stressed that someone from a rural area should fill the seat she held, and she had some referrals to make.

Stewart advised her to contact the Network, which makes recommendations to the Governor's Office.

House remarked on the amount of paper the Council office produces and said that staff is doing a great job.

Larson said it was comforting to have someone as competent as Mason in charge of the Council office.

### ADJOURNMENT

There was no other business to come before the Council, and the meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m., on a motion made by Susan Parkes and seconded by Ann House.

Note: These summary minutes are extracted from staff's tape recording of the meeting and are prepared by an independent contractor. For more detail, please refer to tapes of the meeting, staff reports and presentation materials on file at the CDVSA office.

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## Agenda

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The VAWA three year plan due	
11:00 Denali Commission	
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**STATE OF ALASKA  
COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT**

**MINUTES OF 2ND QUARTER FY06 MEETING  
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**Public Safety Building, 450 Whittier Street  
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### OTHER MATTERS

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*[Most of this information is taken from the September minutes.]* Council members revisited a topic brought up at the September meeting.

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Note: These summary minutes are extracted from staff's notes of the meeting and are prepared by an independent contractor. For more detail, please refer to staff reports and presentation materials on file at the CDVSA office.

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Mason informed the Council that the term of the legislation governing the existence of the CDVSA expires June 30, 2006. There is currently a proposal in the preliminary audit report for the legislature to extend the CDVSA until June 2014. The Council Chair has received a copy of the confidential preliminary audit report.

#### Missions and Measures (Document #06-14)

Mason said the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) appears satisfied with the latest draft of the "Results Delivery" document.

### OTHER MATTERS

#### **Safe Havens**

Chair Stewart asked for an update on the Safe Havens grant that was denied. Mason explained that the CDVSA did not get the grant that it was successful in getting in the past for supervised visitation and custody exchange. Staff had tried to expand it to include Fairbanks but it was denied because there was no statewide plan. She said CITC (Cook Inlet Tribal Council) is currently applying for the Safe Havens grant, and she was not sure if Fairbanks was applying individually.

#### **Foreign and Tribal Protective Orders**

Council members brought Williams up to date on the background for the September discussion about the treatment of other protective orders in Alaska. The decision was to not pursue the issue any further unless it came up again during the legislative session.

#### **Worker's Compensation Issue**

Parkes said that at the September meeting the Council discussed that Alaska still qualifies shelters as hospitals under the workers' compensation definitions, which means shelters pay the same rate that hospitals pay for nursing staff. The executive director at IAC in Fairbanks had proposed that the Council work on legislation that would create a classification to give shelters a lower rate. At the September meeting Parkes had stated that a big workers' compensation bill passed last year and she would check if the definitions or rates are set by regulations. She said workers' compensation is a complicated issue that she will continue to follow

up on to see what changes for shelters are possible.

#### **Conflicts of Interest**

*[Most of this information is taken from the September minutes.]* Council members revisited a topic brought up at the September meeting.

"The ombudsman report had recommended that the Council have a more specific process for checking conflicts of interest, such as Council members being on boards of programs for which they are making funding decisions. The question is whether the Council should be doing something more than the law requires.

After a brief discussion about Alaska Public Offices Commission (APOC) disclosure requirements, Parkes said she would look again at the language in the ombudsman report, consult with the Department of Law's ethics person, and report back with a proposal at the December meeting."

The discussion centered on doing a better job of assessing conflict issues. Parkes said the attorneys in the Civil Division recommended, as a simple solution, having a "Conflict Inquiry" agenda item at the beginning of every meeting so members could disclose for the record any conflicts with matters on that particular agenda.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There was no other business to come before the Council, and the chair declared the meeting closed at 2:10 p.m.

Note: These summary minutes are extracted from staff's notes of the meeting and are prepared by an independent contractor. For more detail, please refer to staff reports and presentation materials on file at the CDVSA office.

Confidential Office Services  
Karen Pearce Brown  
Juneau, Alaska

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**Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault**

**December 9, 2004**

**Agenda**

**Teleconference Meeting**

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**Roles of CDVSA and the ANDVSA (Network)**

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Network

- \* Represents the programs receiving funds.
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Approve Minutes of July 13, 2004 meeting	05-03
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Victim Services on time performance	05-04
Victim Services summary report FY 04 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter	05-05
Victim Services end of year report summary	05-06
Batterers Intervention programs on time performance	05-07
Batterers Intervention summary report FY 04 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter	05-08
Database – Service Point	05-09
Record of Independent Audits	05-10
CIP Repair and Renovation Update	05-11
BIP Discussion	05-12
9:30 ANDVSA Report (Lauree Hugonin)	
10:00 CDVSA Administrative Manager's Financial Report (Jo Griggs)	05-13
VAWA – Balances 10 <sup>th</sup> year	
Action Required – Discretionary	
10:15 Public Comment	
10:20 RFP	
11:30 Lunch (11:30 – 1:00)	
1:00 PM Call to Order and Roll Call	
1:05 RFP Continued	
1:35 Denali Daniels – Denali Commission	
2:30 Break (3:00 – 3:10)	
4:30 Adjourn	

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**September 10, 2004**

9:00 AM Call to Order and Roll Call

9:05 RFP and Denali Commission continued from previous day

11:30 Lunch (11:30 – 1:15)

1:15 PM Call to Order and Roll Call

1:30 Executive Director Interviews

3:30 Adjourn

**STATE OF ALASKA  
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**AGENDA  
SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE MEETING  
August 31, 2004**

**Department of Public Safety  
450 Whittier St., 2nd Floor Conference Room  
Juneau, Alaska**

**August 31, 2004**

3:00 P.M. Call to Order and Roll Call

3:05: P.M. Public Comment

3:15 P.M. Discuss and make any suggestions to the FY 06-07 RFP.

4:00 P.M. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Initial review of the applicants for the Executive Director position and set up interviews for September 10<sup>th</sup> in Anchorage (telephone/in-person) and interviews for September 13 in Juneau (telephone/in-person).

**END OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

5:00 P.M. Adjourn

**Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault  
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Roll Call		
Acceptance or revision of agenda	04-44	1-4
Approve Minutes of March 9, 2004	04-45	5-22
Election of Officers		
8:10 Executive Director's Report (Denise Henderson)		
Victim Services On-Time Performance Report	04-46	23-24
Victim Services Summary Report and Successes	04-47	25-56
Rural DV Summary Report	04-48	57-74
Community / Prison Batterers On-Time Performance Report	04-49	75-76
Community / Prison Batterers Summary Report	04-50	77-84
8:15 Discuss FY05 Budget - Funds Available for Grants (Jo Griggs)		
DOC Criminal Justice Technician	04-51	85-86
Grant Technical Assistance Training Pamphlet	04-52	87-98
8:30 Public Comment		
8:45 Community / Prison Batterer Programs		
Discussion and recommendations for continued funding		
<b><u>VICTIM SERVICES GRANTS</u></b>		
(Maximum per proposal, 5 minutes)		
9:00 <u>Kenai</u>	04-53	99-112
K/SWRCC - Kenai/Soldotna Women's Resource and Crisis Center		
9:05 <i>Discussion</i>		
9:10 <u>Anchorage</u>	04-54	113-124
STAR – Standing Together Against Rape		
9:15 <i>Discussion</i>		

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9:20	<u>Homer</u> SPWS – South Peninsula Women’s Service	04-55	125-134
9:25	<i>Discussion</i>		
9:30	<u>Kodiak</u> KWRCC – Kodiak Women’s Resource and Crisis Center	04-56	135-152
9:35	<i>Discussion</i>		
9:40	<u>Valdez</u> AVV – Advocates for Victims of Violence	04-57	153-162
9:45	<i>Discussion</i>		
9:50	<u>Bethel</u> TWC – Tundra Women’s Coalition	04-58	163-176
9:55	<i>Discussion</i>		
10:00 – 10:10	<b>AM BREAK</b>		
10:10	<u>Unalaska</u> USAFV – Unalaskans against Sexual Assault and Family Violence	04-59	177-184
10:15	<i>Discussion</i>		
10:20	<u>Dillingham</u> SAFE – Safe and Fear-Free Environment	04-60	185-194
10:25	<i>Discussion</i>		