

CRIME VICTIM SERVICES COMMISSION

Meeting – January 27, 2020

MINUTES

Brian Mackie, Chairperson, called the Crime Victim Services Commission meeting to order at 10:24 a.m. on January 27, 2020 in Conference Room 1A, Grand Tower, 235 South Grand Avenue, Lansing, Michigan.

Present:

Commission Members:

William Fales
Victor Fitz
Karen Gray Sheffield
Robin Hornbuckle
Brian Mackie

Staff Members:

Jessica Averill, Policy Analyst
Shalonna Banks, S.A.F.E./Comp. Analyst
Debi Cain, Director of Victim Services
Jeanie Cox, Secretary
Maggie Devlin, CAC Coordinator
Emily Ely, Compensation Analyst
James McCurtis, CVSC Manager
Angie Povilaitis, Staff Attorney

Katherine Bennett, Assistant Attorney General

Introductions were made for Ms. Hornbuckle's benefit.

Public Comment – None.

Reading and Approval of Minutes – Dr. Fales made a motion, supported by Ms. Gray-Sheffield, to waive the reading of the minutes from the December 16, 2019 meeting and approve as written with one edit. The motion carried.

Staff Report – Mr. McCurtis reported that a meeting was held which included staff from the Victim Services Division along with Chairperson Mackie, Elizabeth Hertel and DTMB staff members. This meeting was scheduled to attempt to answer inquiries regarding the Claims Management System for the Compensation program. There have been many, many delays in obtaining a computer system which will work with the Compensation Program. Mr. McCurtis gave an overview of why this system is needed. Mr. McCurtis felt it was a positive meeting. It is hoped that the new system will be up and running October 1, 2020. Ms. Cain explained the compensation computer issues for Ms. Hornbuckle's information. Ms. Cain stated this system is going to be a great deal more expensive than first thought. Discussion followed.

Mr. McCurtis also reported the MI-Vine 3 project has again been pushed back by DTMB and leadership. It is hoped this will be updated by April, 2020.

Mr. McCurtis informed the Commission that Maria Markos, Program Specialist for Victim Rights in the Victim Services Division, resigned her position with the State of Michigan on January 25, 2020. Ms. Cain and Mr. McCurtis stated she will be greatly missed. Discussion on division staffing followed.

Report of the Members – Mr. Fitz reported that 70% of prosecutors were signed up by Christmas of 2019 for the SACCI project. They are hoping 90% by March, 2020.

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Unfinished Business – None.

New Business –

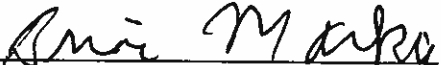
- A. Appeals – None. Ms. Bennett reported there were no new cases, however, the worker's compensation case she had previously noted is not yet settled. They are bifurcating the case, deciding if the victim was an employee at the time of incident. There was no objection to this.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2020.

The Commission moved into the appeals portion of the meeting.

Dr. Fales made a motion, supported by Ms. Gray Sheffield, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Mackie, Chairperson

Witnessed:
Date:

