

COLORADO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

May 10, 2024

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Attendance:

Domestic Violence Board Members Present:

Andrea Bradbury, Hon. Bradley Burbach, Erin Gazelka, Jeanette Barich, Nicole Collins, Nil Buckley, Raechel Alderete, Sandra Campanella, Stephanie Fritts, Tracey Martinez, Yolanda Arredondo

Domestic Violence Board Members Absent:

Glory McDaniel, Jennifer Parker, Jessica Fann, Karen Morgenthaler, Lori Griffith, Michelle Hunter, Tally Zuckerman

Staff Present:

Brittinie Sandoval, Caroline Frane, Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky, Jill Trowbridge, Kelly Lippitt, Rachael Collie, Taylor Kriesel, and Yuanting Zhang

Guests:

Kristina Carrera (Proxy for Karen Morgenthaler), Mindy Walker, Jean Wallace

Introductions:

The meeting convened at 9:00 AM

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced herself as the Chair and welcomed the Board and guests.

Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (ODVSOM Program Manager) introduced himself and noted that Jesse Hansen (Board Staff) will be absent for today's meeting. Chris indicated that Taylor Kriesel would control the Webex portion of the meeting. Chris asked all attendees to sign-in if they haven't already done so and noted that this meeting was being recorded.

The in-person DVOMB members introduced themselves.

The DVOMB staff introduced themselves.

Taylor Kriesel introduced the online DVOMB members.

Taylor Kriesel introduced the online guests.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that a quorum was not present. She recommended modifying the agenda until a quorum was present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Staff Announcements:

Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (ODVSOM Manager) announced the following:

- Jackie List, representing domestic violence victims and victim organizations submitted her resignation from the DVOMB. He recognized and thanked Jackie for her service. He also indicated that an application will for this vacancy on the Board will be sent out in the coming weeks.
- The June meeting is canceled and the Board will reconvene on July 10th at the DVSOMB conference.
- There is a new format to the agenda as part of a requirement to for digital materials to be accessibility complaint.
- Kelly Lippitt (ODVSOM Staff) is leaving the staff and her last day is today.

Caroleena Frane (DVOMB Staff) announced the following:

- The month of May is Asian and Pacific Heritage Month and that there was a presentation on today's agenda to recognize this community.

Taylor Kriesel

- Training Events:
 - Core Training
 - DV102: June 3rd - Offender Evaluations
 - DV103: August 5th - Offender Treatment and Treatment Planning
 - Advanced Series Training
 - How to Evaluate and Treat LGBTQ+ Domestic Violence Offenders August 19th and 20th
- ODVSOM Conference:
 - Registration is open on April 29th and Early Bird pricing ends on May 31st.
 - Board members still need to register for the conference and she requested Board members follow the instructions sent to her.
- Traveling Board Meeting:
 - Taylor received responses from most of the Board members and described the plan to commute to Alamosa.

A quorum was not present so Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that the Board would review the 9:45 agenda item

POLICY BRIEF: IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS FOR SENTENCING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDERS, (ATTACHMENT 3)

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced this item as a discussion and consensus item and passed it to Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (ODVSOM Manager). The staff are looking for feedback and consensus for this document to be finalized and disseminated. This document is intended to be used as policy brief to share information about the DVOMB related to its purview and function. Policy briefs are used to provide stakeholders with information. This is not a Standard and is intended to provide information regarding the DVOMB's purview, specifically related to instances when the DV flag is removed and treatment is still ordered. The Executive Committee thought that a more comprehensive and general policy brief might be helpful to those in the judicial system who may not be up-to-date on some of this information. Additionally, the staff tried to keep this relatively simple.

Yolanda Arredondo (Board Member) arrived in-person and Judge Burbach returned at 9:25AM.

Stephanie asked if there is any discussion from Board member or members of the public. No comments or questions were made. Stephanie asked there is consensus to approve the Policy Brief.

There was consensus from the DVOMB members to approve the Policy Brief.

Board Discussion:

- Members discussed the availability of pre-plea evaluations. Chris clarified that the document referenced to pre-sentence domestic violence offender evaluations which is distinctly different from pre-plea evaluations.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that there were 12 Board members present and asked if there was consensus to approve the May agenda.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) directed the meeting to return to the review and approval of the April minutes. She asked if there was any discussion by the Board or members of the public? Hearing none, she requested a motion.

REVIEW AND VOTE ON MARCH 2024 MEETING MINUTES: (Attachment 1)

Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) moved to approve the April 2024 meeting minutes as presented. Andrea Bradbury (DVOMB Member) 2nd the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked staff to prepare the vote.

The Session ID: #983906

Question #1

The motion passed with 8 votes to approve the April 2024 meeting minutes, 0 votes to object, and 2 votes to abstain.

Responses	Percent	Count
Yes	80.00%	8
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	20.00%	2
Totals	100.00%	10

Nil Buckley and Nicole Collins voted "Yes" in the chat.

PUBLIC COMMENT REVIEW: FEEDBACK ON SECTION 1.0 REVISIONS REGARDING PURVIEW OF THE DVOMB (ATTACHMENT 2)

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that this is a discussion and voting item and referred it to Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (ODVSOM Manager). Chris described the background of this item and shared the public comment received related to the revisions of Section 1.0 of the Standards. He noted that a total of three responses in favor of the changes recommended. One comment identified that the language pertaining to the community corrections board was not entirely accurate. He shared the language changes made by the Executive Committee and being recommended for approval. The new language keeps with the sentencing language, but clarifies the role of the Community Corrections Board as part of the DVOMB's purview. The modified language is being recommended to the Board for final ratification pending further discussion.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked if there was any discussion by the Board or members of the public? Hearing none, she requested a motion.

REVIEW AND VOTE ON THE REVISIONS TO SECTION 1.0:

Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) moved to approve the Section 1.0 Revisions Regarding the Public Comment meeting minutes as presented. Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) 2nd the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked staff to prepare the vote.

Question #2

The motion passed with 10 votes to approve the Revisions to Section 1.0 for Ratification, 0 votes to object, and 0 votes to abstain.

Responses	Percent	Count
Yes	100.00%	10
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	0.00%	0
Totals	100.00%	10

Nil Buckley and Nicole Collins voted "Yes" in the chat.

REVISIONS TO THE DVOMB ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES, STANDARDS 9.01, 9.02, 9.03, AND 9.04 (ATTACHMENT 5)

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that this is a discussion and voting item and referred it to Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (ODVSOM Manager). Chris started with the Administrative Policies indicating a correction needs to be made on the first page in the second paragraph. He noted the DVOMB is considered a Type II Board meaning that the Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS) can override a decision of the DVOMB in an emergency situation. He indicated that this type of action is very rare, but the authority does exist. The language currently in the Administrative Policies indicates this authority is with the Director of the Division of Criminal Justice which is not correct. The proposed changes to the Administrative Policies reflect the CDPS Executive Director and not the DCJ Director.

Chris then presented the proposed changes to Section 9.0 related to the qualification requirements for approval as a DVOMB Approved Provider for Certified Addiction Technicians (CATs). He noted that DORA has made recent changes and asked Caroleena to go into further detail to these changes. Caroleena reminded the Board that CATs are currently eligible to apply for approval under the condition that they are in the process of obtaining a Certified Addiction Specialist (CAS) or Licensed Addition Counselor (LAC) credential. The change proposed in Section 9.01 specifies that an applicant with a CAT would have two years to obtain their CAS or LAC. The next provision added was an option of being a Masters level clinician who has at least a candidacy for license through DORA. In Section 9.02 and 9.03 clarified the language to be consistent with DORA requirements for supervision. In Section 9.04, a provision was added to specify a one-year timeframe for the apprenticeship as a Domestic Violence Clinical Supervisor.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked if there was any discussion by the Board or members of the public? Hearing none, she requested a motion.

REVIEW AND VOTE ON THE REVISIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES:

Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) moved to approve the Revisions to the DVOMB Administrative Policies as presented.

Andrea Bradbury (DVOMB Member) 2nd the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked staff to prepare the vote.

Question #3

The motion passed with 10 votes to approve the Revisions to Section 1.0 for Ratification, 0 votes to object, and 0 votes to abstain.

Responses	Percent	Count
Yes	100.00%	10
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	0.00%	0
Totals	100.00%	10

Nil Buckley voted "Yes" in the chat.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) she requested a motion for Standard 9.01, 9.02, 9.03, and 9.04.

REVIEW AND VOTE ON THE REVISIONS TO THE STANDARD 9.01, 9.02, 9.03, AND 9.04: (Attachment 5)

Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) moved to approve the Revisions to Standard 9.01, 9.02, 9.03, and 9.04 as presented.

Erin Gazelka (DVOMB Member) 2nd the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked staff to prepare the vote.

Question #4

The motion passed with 10 votes to approve the Revisions to Section 1.0 for Ratification, 0 votes to object, and 0 votes to abstain.

Responses	Percent	Count
Yes	100.00%	10
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	0.00%	0
Totals	100.00%	10

Nil Buckley voted "Yes" in the chat.

ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER MONTH RECOGNITION: WORKING WITH ASIAN CLIENTS IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDER TREATMENT

Stephanie moved on to the 10:15 agenda item: Asian Pacific Islander Month Recognition: Working with Asian Clients in Domestic Violence Offender Treatment. She referred this to staff and indicated this was a presentation and discussion item. Caroleena facilitated the pre-recorded interviews with Providers. The presentation discussed:

- The success stories and positive outcomes of working with Asian clients in a forensic setting.
- The importance of cultural factors such as communication, family values, and respect in the treatment process is emphasized.
- The advice for treatment providers working with Asian populations includes focusing on the value of respect and incorporating cultural strengths in assessments and treatment planning.

BREAK: 11:10 - 11:15AM

VALIDATION OF THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND THE REQUIREMENT FOR A SECOND RISK ASSESSMENT RELATED TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (ATTACHMENT 6)

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) indicated that this is a discussion and consensus item and referred it to Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky (ODVSOM Manager). Chris provided background to this item regarding the requirement to use a second domestic violence risk assessment given that the DVRNA has been validated. The staff proposed the use of a memorandum to provide guidance to Approved Providers in the short-term until a more permanent change in the Standards could be pursued by the Standards Revision Committee. The Memorandum indicates that a second domestic violence risk assessment is no longer mandated and offers guidance as to when an Approved Provider can and should use additional instruments if there is a need to discern a client's risk and needs for treatment planning purposes. Specifically, the DVRNA has not yet been validated on female offenders or LGBTQ+ offenders. Chris noted that there was general consensus by the Standards Revision Committee in looking at this document, but the committee did question how this impacts racially and ethnically diverse communities. Chris noted that this was discussed at length by the committee and that it is probable that the validation study included racially and ethnically diverse populations. He also noted that the issue of cross-cultural validity is present other risk assessment tools and that this is not an issue unique to the DVRNA. Going forward, data being collected by Approved Providers would be looked further to examine if and how aspects of race and ethnicity may impact the validity of the DVRNA.

Dr. Collie (DVOMB Staff) added to this and shared that there are no alternative tools that can offer something better, referencing two recent studies that look at race and ethnicity related to the Spousal Assault Risk Assessment (SARA) and the ODARA (Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment). The absence of an alternative option lends to there being support for using the DVRNA on these populations. She noted that the LGBTQ+

population is the area where the application of these risk factors is less known and not as established in the literature. There may be some unique factors that are not currently being captured by the DVRNA.

Jeanette Barich returned at 11:24AM.

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) asked if there was any discussion by the Board or members of the public? Hearing none, she asked if there was feedback and consensus for this document to be finalized and disseminated. There was not additional comments and Board agreed by way of consensus for the memorandum to be published.

BREAK: 11:30 - 11:40AM

LUNCH & LEARN: LARIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS RESPONSE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (ATTACHMENT 4)

Stephanie Fritts (DVOMB Chair) introduced this item as a presentation and discussion item. She referred it to Caroleena to introduce Mindy Walker for the Lunch and Learn presentation. Caroleena introduced Mindy Walker from Larimer County Community Corrections. She provided an overview of their program and new methods they are employing to address domestic violence cases which included training staff, flagging domestic violence cases in their system, how to assess and treat clients, addressing abusive behaviors, and notifying new partners.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:32PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jesse Hansen, DVOMB Program Manager

APPROVED



Name	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Nil Buckley	1	1	1	1
Bradley Burback	NP	NP	NP	NP
Nicole Collins	1	1	1	1
Andrea Bradbury	1	1	1	1
Jessica Fann	NP	NP	NP	NP
Lori Griffith	NP	NP	NP	NP
Stephanie Fritts	1	1	1	1
Jennifer Parker	NP	NP	NP	NP
Karen Morgenthaler	Proxy	Proxy	Proxy	Proxy
Michelle Hunter	NP	NP	NP	NP
Sandie Campanella	3	1	1	1
Glory McDaniel	NP	NP	NP	NP
Yolanda Arredondo	1	1	1	1
Tally Zuckerman	NP	NP	NP	NP
Erin Gazelka	1	1	1	1
Jeanette Barich	3	1	1	1
Tracey Martinez	1	1	1	1
Raechel Alderete	1	1	1	1
Total	Yes = 8 No = 0 Abstain = 2 Total Present = 11	Yes = 10 No = 0 Abstain = 0 Total Present = 11	Yes = 10 No = 0 Abstain = 0 Total Present = 11	Yes = 10 No = 0 Abstain = 0 Total Present = 11

Q1 Motion to Approve the April Minutes

Q2 Motion to approve the Section 1.0 Revisions as presented.

Q3 Motion to approve the Revisions to the DVOMB Administrative Policies as presented.

Q4 Jeanette Barich (DVOMB Member) moved to approve the Revisions to Standard 9.01, 9.02, 9.03, and 9.04 as presented.