

The Connecticut General Assembly



Domestic Violence Criminal Justice Response and Enhancement Advisory Council Arrest Warrants and Orders of Protection Subcommittee

Minutes

Wednesday, June 18th, 2025

ATTENDANCE: Shauna Harrington, Karen O'Connor, Merit Lajoie, Phylli22s DiCara, Capt. Ryan Maynard, Chief Rob Rosado, Liza Andrews, Gail Hardy, Andrea O'Connor, Nancy Tyler

I. CALL TO ORDER

Shauna Harrington called the meeting to order at 11:10 AM.

II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS

Shauna made welcoming remarks and the members introduced themselves.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Merit Lajoie motioned to approve the March 19th meeting minutes and Gail Hardy seconded. The member unanimously voted to approve the minutes.

IV. REVIEW CHANGES MADE TO MODEL POLICY AS IT PERTAINS TO ARREST WARRANTS

Co-chair of the Law Enforcement Model Policy subcommittee, Karen O'Connor, discussed with the group the proposed changes to the model policy as they pertained to arrest warrants. The group voted to send the changes to the larger council.

V. UPDATES ON STATUS OF SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Shauna Harrington updated the group as to where things stand with inviting Darren Mitchell of the National Council for Juvenile and Family Court Judges.

The group discussed arrangements with Judicial regarding answering some of the questions they may have for Mr. Mitchell before identifying a pilot site.

The group decided it would be best to tentatively reserve dates for Mr. Mitchell to come out and facilitate a workshop with us and community partners and move forward with answering Judicial's questions in the meantime.

There are no other updates regarding the recommendations at this time.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Andrea O'Connor notified the group of a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) situation where a non-party to a TRO case was able to pick up a victim's application and use the affidavit against her in another proceeding. The Deputy Director for Family and Support Matters confirmed that the files are public and accessible to anyone who requests them.

The group brainstormed contacting the Freedom of Information (FOI) Commission and proposing legislation, looking into sealing certain information, and proposing protections similar to those in criminal court.

The group discussed inviting the Deputy Director for Family and Support Matters to the subcommittee to discuss the practices.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENT OF TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting dates are scheduled as follows: 7/16, 9/17, 10/15, 11/19, all from 11a-12:30p.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Merit made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Gail Hardy at 12:05 PM.