

**MINUTES**  
**SOUTH CAROLINA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TASK FORCE**  
**COMMUNITY, EDUCATION AND OUTREACH DIVISION MEETING**

**9:30 A.M., FEBRUARY 27, 2015**  
**SC DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION**  
**110 CENTERVIEW DRIVE, CONFERENCE ROOM 108**  
**COLUMBIA, SC**

**Meeting Called to Order**

Richele Taylor, Director, SC Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR), called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

Members of the Committee attending the meeting included: Councilwoman Julie Ann Dixon, Dr. Connie Best; Alex Imgrund, Advice Counsel; Dr. Dan Saad; Rozalynn Goodwin; Chief Howard Cook; Elizabeth Gray; Katie Philpott; Christan Rainey; Patricia Ravenhorst; Kaitlyn Silva; Harry Prim; Julie Cole; Dr. Ed Carney; Sam McNutt; Joy Campbell; Bev Baliko; Rebecca Williams-Agee; Dr. Gariane Gunter; Alice Renfrow; and Aveena Coleman. Attending by phone were Dr. Stephen Gardner; Daniel Krawchuck; and Dr. Shelley McGeorge.

Committee members who were absent from the meeting included: Melanie Thompson; Josh Rhodes; Superintendent Molly Spearman.

LLR staff members participating in the meeting included: Stephanie Collier, Lesia Kudelka, and Sandra Dickert.

**Public Notice**

Mrs. Taylor announced that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act by notice emailed to the news media. In addition, it was posted on LLR's website and posted the bulletin boards at the Kingstree Building.

1. Welcome and Introductions  
Mrs. Taylor welcomed everyone to the meeting. All committee members introduced themselves.
2. Review Executive Order – SC 2015-04
  - a. Mission  
Mrs. Taylor reviewed the mission of the Domestic Violence Task Force.
    - i. For the Community Awareness, Education and Outreach Division, this requires us to gather information on existing resources combating domestic violence and provide ways to expand education, awareness and outreach in SC

Discussion ensued regarding how to reach the community, the military, employers, schools, Native Americans within South Carolina, and professionals on how to recognize signs of domestic abuse.

b. Duties and Responsibilities with Timelines

i. Phase I: Surveying and collecting data and information from counties and regions of the state

The Committee is to submit a report to Governor Haley on May 7, 2015 for presentation to the Task Force at its May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

ii. Phase II: Identifying specific problems and creating proposed solutions

1. Report due August 6<sup>th</sup>
2. Task Force Meeting on August 13<sup>th</sup>

iii. Phase III: Implementing or beginning to implement approved proposals (where possible)

1. Report due October 8<sup>th</sup>
2. Task Force Meeting on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

iv. Phase IV: Assessing short- and long-term goals for combating and preventing domestic violence in the future

1. Report due December 3
2. Task Force Meeting on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

3. Next Steps:

i. Information to gather in Phase I:

1. Current training and education available?  
Discussion.
2. Current public health initiatives in SC?  
Discussion.
3. Information on why professionals and the community do not get involved with domestic violence situations  
Discussion.

ii. Sections to gather

1. County by county
2. Profession by profession
3. Sub-divisions for Community Task Force Division

Committee divided into sub-divisions for purposes of gathering information.

- Education (schools, colleges): Rebecca Williams-Agree agreed to chair

- Professionals (doctors, nurses, lawyers, police/fire, etc. training):  
Alex Imgrund agreed to chair
  - Community Outreach (what information is out there and where is it located): Councilwoman Julie Ann Dixon agreed to chair
4. Next Meeting: The full Committee will meet approximately two weeks prior to May 7, 2015 report deadline to share information gathered.
  5. Testimony relevant to these issues  
Mrs. Taylor asked the committee members to think of individuals who could offer testimony on why the community, professionals, and educators have not gotten involved in domestic violence issues.
  6. Adjourn  
The meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.