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**OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S ELDER ABUSE COMMISSION
JUNE MEETING MINUTES
VERN RIFFE CENTER FOR GOVERNMENT AND THE ARTS
77 SOUTH HIGH STREET, 31ST FLOOR
WEST B & C CONFERENCE ROOM
MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2012
9:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT

NAME

Marc Baumgarten
Shelly Boyd
Judith Brachman
Jodi Crowe
Joel Demory
Debra Downing
Dustin Ellinger
Cindy Farson
Frank Fleischer
Steve Hanson
Vicki Jenkins
Cindy Kuhr
Beverly Laubert
Rhonda Major
Leslie McGee
Drew Palmiter
Jo Simonsen
Thomas Swift
Karla Warren

REPRESENTING

Ohio Department of Mental Health
Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
Interests of the Elderly
Ohio Board of Nursing
Ohio Department of Insurance
County Commissioners Association of Ohio
Ohio Department of Health
Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging
Ohio Coalition for Adult Protective Services
Supreme Court of Ohio
Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities
Ohio Victim Witness Association
Ohio State Long Term Care Ombudsman
Ohio Hospital Association
Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services
Ohio Domestic Violence Network
Ohio Association of Probate Judges
Ohio Department of Aging

Ursel McElroy

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WELCOME – Ursel McElroy

- Opened the meeting by welcoming members.
- Agenda and housekeeping items reviewed.

REVIEW JUNE MEETING MINUTES – Commission

- June 25, 2012 meeting minutes approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Commission

- None

GENERAL BUSINESS – U. McElroy

Progress Report

- U. McElroy will provide an update to the Attorney General on the Commission's progress in 2012. Each subcommittee chair has been advised of end of the year goals.

Meeting minutes prepared by Ursel McElroy

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Awareness Subcommittee – K. Warren, Chair

- Present: S. Boyd, J. Brachman, J. Crowe, J. Demory, C. Farson, F. Fleischer, R. Major, K. Warren,
- The subcommittee met on August 13, 2012 at the Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) for a brainstorming session on the elder abuse awareness campaign. The meeting was facilitated by John Ratliff, Assistant Chief of ODA's Communications and Government Outreach Division.
- Discussed the goals, resources, and challenges identified during the August subcommittee meeting.
- Incorporated the Elder Abuse Commission's guiding principles into the awareness campaign ideas.
- Next meeting scheduled for September 19, 2012 at the Ohio Department of Aging.

Education Subcommittee – J. Simonsen, Chair

- Present: D. Downing, C. Kuhr, B. Laubert, L. McGee, D. Palmiter, J. Simonsen,
- Discussed the creation of a centralized resource on elder abuse trainings available in Ohio and nationally.
- The resource will be a compilation of existing trainings – not an endorsement.
- Trainings pertinent to mandatory reporters of elder abuse to Adult Protective Services are the primary focus.
- Next meeting scheduled for September 24, 2012 as a teleconference.

Justice Subcommittee – V. Jenkins, Chair

- Present: M. Baumgarten, D. Ellinger, S. Hanson, V. Jenkins, T. Swift
- Discussed the creation of a pool of expert witnesses for court proceeding, primarily for court proceedings, on the topic of elder abuse. Areas of need identified: 1) physical and mental capacity evaluations 2) forensic wound identification 3) sexual assault evaluations and 4) forensic accounting.
- Development of expert criteria is critical next step.
- Next meeting scheduled for September 24, 2012 as a teleconference.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- No public comment provided.

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