

**Crime Victims Committee
Minutes
January 16, 2020**

A public meeting of the Crime Victims Committee of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission was convened on January 16, 2020, at 1:00p.m. at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, 1110 W. Washington, Suite 230, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

Members Present:

Steve Stahl, City of Maricopa Police Chief, Chairperson
Allister Adel, Maricopa County Attorney, Kenneth Vick representing
Mark Brnovich, Arizona Attorney General, Kirstin Flores representing
Barbara LaWall, Pima County Attorney, Vanessa Helms representing by phone
Paul Penzone, Maricopa County Sheriff, Rick Morris representing

Staff Participating:

Heather Bohnet, Program Manager Crime Victim Services
Dorinda Johns, Program Coordinator Crime Victim Services
Andrew LeFevre, ACJC Executive Director
Tony Vidale, ACJC Deputy Director
Matt Bileski, IT support

Guests Participating:

Kate Lyon, DPS VOCA Administrator

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Steve Stahl at 1:00 p.m. The roll was taken, and a quorum was declared present.

II. Review and Approval of the Minutes of the December 2019 Meeting

Chairperson Stahl called for the approval of the minutes. Kirstin Flores moved to approve the meeting minutes. Rick Morris seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

III. FY2021 Crime Victim Assistance Program

Ms. Bohnet provided a summary of the funding approved for the FY2020 grant program, including a summary of what was funded for the FY2020 grant period. Ms. Bohnet then gave an overview of funding issues and considerations for FY2021. Mr. LeFevre explained the funding streams contributing to the Victim Compensation and Assistance fund and the issues that have been encountered when the changes in funding streams occurred as well as the efforts taken to resolve the issues. Members of the committee discussed the issues.

Ms. Bohnet then presented the options and recommendation of ACJC staff regarding the program size for FY2021. Members of the committee discussed the various options regarding the FY2021 program size. Members asked Kate Lyon to provide information on expected changes to VOCA funding in future grant cycles to have a clearer picture of the overall change in funding for victim services when making their decision regarding the recommendation for the ACJC Victim Assistance program size. A motion was made by Rick Morris to recommend to the commission that the Victim Assistance program size for FY2021 be set at \$200,000.00. Kirstin Flores seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee members then discussed various options for funding priorities. Information was provided by ACJC staff on current funding priorities and projects funded under those priorities. A

motion was made by Kirstin Flores to recommend to the Commission that the available funding be used to fund projects that are identified as VOCA Assistance ineligible with a priority given to projects supporting Personnel Service and Employee Related Expenses. Rick Morris seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Call to the Public

Mr. LeFevre thanked the members of the committee for their work at the meeting. No member of the public addressed the committee.

V. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

The next Crime Victims Committee meeting is to be determined at a later date. Information with the date of the next meeting will be posted.

VII. Adjournment

Chairperson Steve Stahl adjourned the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew T. LeFevre". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "A" and "L".

Andrew T. LeFevre
Executive Director
Audio recording available upon request