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TASK FORCE ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

January 29, 2015

The Task Force on Human Trafficking met Thursday, January 29, 2015 at 9:30 AM in Lower Level Conference Room A of the Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Legal notice of the meeting was published January 15, 2015 in the Lincoln Journal Star.

As amended by LB 898, 2005 Legislature, a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for public review.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 AM by Acting Chairman John Freudenberg. The following members were **in attendance**: Lynn Ayers (Left 10:33 AM), Nicole Brundo (Left 10:49 AM), Linda Burkle (Left 10:50 AM), Jasel Cantu, Stan Clouse (Arrived 9:51 AM), Weysan Dun, Tim Dunning, Darrell Fisher, John Freudenberg, Robert Lausten, Jim Peschong, Al Riskowski, Carol Russell (Left 10:51AM), Thomas Schwarten, and Brian Seck. **Members Excused**: Pat Condon, Brad Hansen, Mary Ann Losh and Ann Shavers. **Staff Present**: Ann Bauers. **Others Present**: Michelle Zych, Women's Fund of Omaha; and Jose Santos, Retired Nebraska Department of Labor

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

A motion was made by Dunning and seconded by Ayers to approve the minutes of the Task Force meeting of September 23, 2014. Motion carried by acclamation.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of John Freudenberg's Recommendations be added to June 1, 2015 Report

Freudenberg gave a summary of his recommendations to be added to the June 1, 2015 Legislative Report. There was a brief discussion.

Motion

A motion was made by Dunning and seconded by Fisher to approve John Freudenberg's recommendations be added to June 1, 2015 Report and be used for the proposed LB294. Voting in favor: Ayers, Brundo, Burkle, Cantu, Dun, Dunning, Fisher, Lausten, Peschong, Riskowski, Russell, Schwarten and Seck. Motion Carried

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Fisher introduced Tom Schwarten as the acting Superintendent of the Nebraska State Patrol and that he would be replacing David Sankey who retired.

A. Adoption of NIJ Tool

Dun gave a brief summary of the NIJ Tool. Fisher asked how this tool could be used outside of Law Enforcement personnel. Dun stated this would be a suitable tool for other agencies as well. Fisher asked if it was adopted today, would agencies use the long or short form. Dun answered that either one will work but the short one would probably be most used by Law Enforcement Agencies. There was a brief discussion on the pros and cons of using either form.

The discussion continued regarding the difference between prostitution and human trafficking.

Motion

A motion was made by Ayers and seconded by Brundo to approve the adoption of the NIJ Tool and send it out to various agencies with further training. Voting in favor: Ayers, Brundo, Burkle, Cantu, Dun, Dunning, Fisher, Lausten, Peschong, Riskowski, Russell, Schwarten and Seck. Motion Carried.

John Freudenberg relinquished the chair to Stan Clouse who arrived at 9:51 AM

B. LB294

Freudenberg gave a summary of LB294 and the changes that are being presented to the Legislature. Freudenberg further stated that the hearing on this bill would be March 4, 2015. There was a brief discussion.

C. Grant Committee Report

Russell gave a brief report and then yielded to Michelle Zych, Executive Director of the Women's Fund of Omaha who gave a brief summary on the agency. Zych stated that they are establishing a Coordinator position to bring together all the various agencies and entities statewide. There was a brief discussion.

D. Education and Awareness Committee Report

Burkle gave a brief summary of the Education and Awareness Committee and presented the Curricula on Human Trafficking

1. Review of Education Curricula on Human Trafficking

Motion

A motion was made by Russell and seconded by Dun to approve the adoption of the Education Curricula on Human Trafficking. Voting in favor: Ayers, Brundo, Burkle, Cantu, Dun, Dunning, Fisher, Lausten, Peschong, Riskowski, Russell, Schwarten and Seck. Motion Carried

E. Research/Data/Report Committee

Riskowski gave a brief summary of the Research/Data/Report Committee. There was no discussion.

1. June 1, 2015 Legislative Report

Riskowski stated that the committee was working on the report and would include Freudenberg's suggestions as part of it.

F. Labor Trafficking Information

Jose Santos, Retired from the Nebraska Department of Labor gave a brief presentation on the problems of Human Trafficking in the area of labor. There was a brief discussion.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Freudenberg stated that if anyone wanted to come to the hearing on March 4, 2015 to testify the hearing would be in Room 1115 at 1:30 PM.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled meeting of the Committee will be:

**Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 9:30 AM
Lower Level Conference Room "A"
Nebraska State Office Building
Lincoln, Nebraska.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:53 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,



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