**VIOLENT CRIME COORDINATING COUNCIL COMMITTEE STRUCTURE**

**Data and Information Committee:**

Members: Evans\*, Voigt & Dusterhoft

* Assist in developing a process to collect and share information to improve the investigation and prosecution of gang and drug offenses.
* Recommend criteria for use in determining whether individuals are or may be members of gangs involved in criminal activity.
* Advise and assist BCA with the resolution of immediate issues related to the maintenance of files supporting GangNet entries.

**Governance and Legislation Committee:**

Members: Mueller\*, Serier & Folkens

* (As necessary) identify and recommend a candidate(s) for statewide coordinator.
* Develop procedures (By-Laws) to govern the conduct of the VCCC.
* Propose issues to the Commissioner of Public Safety for the department’s legislative plan.
* Follow relevant legislation and make recommendations to the Commissioner of Public Safety.
* Provide information and testimony to the Legislature as requested.

**Professional Standards Committee:**

Members: Gerlicher\*, Evans, Deitzman, Bohlen & Mackenhausen

* Develop an operating procedures and policies manual to investigate gang and drug crime in a multijurisdictional manner.
* Develop policies that prohibit the improper use of personal characteristics such as race, color, national origin, gender or religion to target individuals for law enforcement action, prosecution or forfeiture action.
* Assist the Department of Public Safety in developing grant eligibility criteria and operating an objective and conflict-free grant review application process.
* Work with the Statewide Coordinator and the Office of Justice Programs to develop monitoring protocols and standards for task forces.
* Monitor performance of task forces and when necessary, make reports and provide advice to the full council when it should consider making a recommendation to the commissioner of public safety to terminate grant funds for multijurisdictional entities no longer operating in accordance with state statute or functioning in a manner consistent with the best interests of the state or public.

**Community Engagement and Prevention Committee:**

Members: Thomasser\*, Garcia, Carter, Gerlicher & Gross

* Serve as a liaison between the coordinating council and the councils of color.
* Assist in the recruitment and appointment of citizen members of the VCCC.
* Establish standards and performance measures for task forces regarding community engagement and prevention. Identify resources as appropriate.
* Identify community leaders throughout the state that can assist the VCCC in their work and create a communication plan and/or communication vehicles.

**VCCC Executive Committee**

Members: Bohlen\*, Mueller, Evans, Gerlicher, Thomasser & Gross

* Meet in odd months via conference call to set agenda for full VCCC meetings on even months.

*\*Designates Committee Chair. Updated 2/9/2017*