

The MMIR Office Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2023 | 8:30 AM | via Zoom

MMIR Office Advisory Council Members Present:

Monte Fronk (Chair)	Kristen O'Leary	🔀 Gene Leatherman
Natasha Kingbird	Lauren Matrious	Myah Wells
Beth O'Keefe	X Jacki Kozlowski	Jessica Taylor
Eileen Hudon	Brook LaFloe	
Fran Kingbird	Naida Medicine Crow	Season Means
☐ Teddi Wind	Scott Mueller	
Roberta Geiselhart	Anne LaFrinier	

DPS & MMIR Office Staff:

- ✓ Juliet Rudie, MMIR Office Director
- ✓ Ana Negrete, Community Planner
- ✓ Tawny Smith-Savage, *Violence Prevention Coordinator*
- ✓ Kayley Sansom, *Intelligence Specialist*
- ✓ Amber Schindeldecker, DPS Public Information Officer
- ✓ Guest Speakers: Deidre Aanstad, Laura Provinzino, Joel Postma, Michael Potter

Call to Order	8:30 AM meeting called to order by Chair Monte FronkWelcome Members and visitors
Minutes	 Reviewed minutes, motion passed to approve minutes
Updates from the MMIR Office	 January is Human Trafficking Awareness month Red Lake Search kits are scheduled to be dropped off and guidance provided Presentations scheduled in: Upper Sioux Community on January 24th and Lower Sioux Community on the 23nd Kayley Sansom, Intelligence Specialist will vacate her position and provided an update on projects she has been working (supplementary budget request \$145,000 & year end report to the Legislature)
Presentation	Deidre Aanstad MMIP Regional Outreach Program Coordinator, Great

	Lakes Region: Laura Provinzino MMIP AUSA and Joel Postma Western District Great Lakes Region MMIP Regional Coordinator. (powerpoint presentation)
Questions/Next Steps	 Training with three agencies (DOJ, MMU, MMIR Office) to do a big public information outreach, can collaborations be done? How can families reach out to the Great Lakes MMIP Program? Maryls Big Eagle and Victim Assistance Specialist in the district will be good contacts. As the case is charged there are critical steps that occur before prosecution during the investigation phase. For each Region there will be contact information posted soon as those position are filled. Joel Postma will also be available to help families navigate cases and bridge communication gaps with Law Enforcement. A database of supports will be provided to bridge service gaps. 24/7 access through BIA MMU is available, what other agencies are points of contact for families? Families would like to see a response sheet and 24/7 access. Regarding the Not Invisible Act Commission hearing in MN, people did not hear about the hearing until the last minute, how is communication done? Reach out to Maryls, Laura or Joel regarding communication in this region. Michael Potter shared that he is happy with consistency of meeting and monthly discussion. Updates: 2 additional agents will be added in Michigan and an additional agent in Minnesota Advocates would like information about how the agencies coordinate their efforts who are working for families. (Homework) MDT meetings with Laura Provinzino and those meetings have law enforcement, victim assistant specialist and child welfare professionals. The meeting reviews child and adult victims, it might
Closed	 not be possible to add others to the meeting. Laura will look into this. 10:00 AM NamUs Training follow-up is needed to include discussion on training at Camp Ripley Jessica Hager will return January 10th 2024 (next Advisory Council meeting) to answer follow-up question about her presentation