

**Domestic Violence Advisory Commission
Meeting Date - February 8, 2024**

DeSoto Domestic Advisory Commission Monthly Meeting

Location: DeSoto Police Station

Presiding Officer: Commissioner Shanika Davis

Call to Order: Shanika Davis called the meeting to order at 8:06 pm.

Meditation: Commissioner Shanika Davis

Attendance: Shanika Davis, Stacey Davis, Marquitta Hawthorne, Dick North, Cassandra Wesley, Sharon Temple, and Melanie Joshua

Staff Representative: Yulanda King

A total of seven Commissioners were in attendance.

Staff Representative Care Team: Yulanda King

Approval of Agenda/Minutes: Commissioner Sharon Temple moved that we approve the December minutes as written. The motion was second.
The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Statistics: Yulanda King reviewed the monthly statistics for all Districts.

Communication/Attendance:

Please check GroupMe and email regularly.

Please communicate if you will be absent or running late to the meeting.

If the Commissioner fails to attend three unexcused consecutive meetings, the Commissioner may be removed from the commission.

Motion: Commissioner Temple said the most important topics should be moved to the top of the agenda. The motion was second.

The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Teen Dating Violence Month

We have partnered with different organizations to increase teen attendance for the upcoming event.

Commissioners will meet with the Teen Council on February 13, 2024, at 6 p.m. in the Bluebonnet Room to finalize all details concerning the event on February 24, 2024.

Eventbrite:

It was reported that two participants had registered on Eventbrite as of February 8, 2024.

Motion: Commissioner Hawthorne moved that DVAC use up to \$1000.00 for food, gift cards, and door prizes. Seconded by Commissioner North.
The motion passed by unanimous consent.

DPAC will sponsor the refreshments for the teen event.

The request was made for the Youth Advocate of the police department to attend the event.

Marketing/Branding

The billboard will be used year-round to increase awareness of the following topics:

Child Abuse
Sexual Assault
Human Trafficking
Domestic Violence

Motion:

Commissioner Stacey Davis moved that DVAC spends up to \$150.00 on flyers and posters for the teen violence event.

Motions were second.

The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Shanika Davis will research pricing and bids for billboards that will be promoted year-round to increase awareness of the topics listed above.

Motion: Commissioner Hawthorne moved to extend the meeting an additional 20 minutes.

The motion was second.

The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Green and Commissioner Hawthorne's Leave of Absence

Commissioner Stacey Davis moved that DVAC should give Commissioner Darlene Green a leave of Absence with an option of Microsoft Teams or Zoom if the liaison approves.

Motion Second by

The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Stacey Davis moved that Hawthorne have a leave of Absence if there is no access to Zoom or Teams. Date March 1st-June?

Second by

The motion passed by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

