The Council on Sex Offender Treatment (CSOT) and the Interagency Advisory Committee (IAC) met at 1:00 p.m. on March 6, 2004 at San Luis Resort, 5222 Seawall Galveston, Texas.

I. Call to order, Chairperson, Walter J. Meyer, III, M.D.

Dr. Meyer called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

II. Introduction of Members, Guests, and Staff

Council Members Present:

Dr. Meyer, Maria Molett, Liles Arnold, Kristy Carr, Judge Lykos, and Linda Bell Robinson

TDH Staff Present:

David Richards, Allison Taylor, Lisa Worry, Lupe Ruedas, Jim Zukowski and Debbie Peterson

IAC Members Present:

Judy Johnson, Estella Guillen

Guest Present:

Lisa Ticknor Gabbert, Rona Stratton Smith, Michael C. Goughler and Geralyn Engman

III. Approval of Minutes from October 31, 2003

Judge Lykos moves for approval of October 31, 2003 minutes, Maria Molett seconds, all in favor.

IV. Council Chairperson’s Report

Dr. Meyer welcomes everyone to Galveston and hopes everyone enjoys their visit.

V. Division Director’s Report

Debbie Peterson passed around handouts of the organizational chart and 2 sets of budget handouts for CSOT and Civil Commitment. Debbie stated Sunset Review for other 8 licensing boards, CSOT not up for review till 2006, may include while in office.

VI. Executive Director’s Report

Allison Taylor reported the following:
Total number of Registrants= 379
Total new registrants since last council meeting= 5
(4-RSOTP; 1-ASOTP)
Total Complaints received = 2
   Number of complaints closed= 5
   No violations of laws/rules substantiated= 5
   Number of pending complaints= 3

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES
   Articles and Publications
      Texas District and County Attorney March/April Newsletter “The Prosecutor” on
      Civil Commitment recent court decisions
      Interviewed by the New York Times on Texas Civil Commitment of Sexually Violent
      Predators. Story delayed until April.
      Interviewed by the Chicago Tribune regarding Texas Civil Commitment article to be
      published within the next couple of months

   Other Media Coverage
      Interview with KHOU-TV, Houston
      Interview with ABC 13, Houston
      Interview with FOX 26, Houston

   Presentations
      TDCJ-Victims Service Advisory Council January 6
      Tarrant County Sexual Assault Task Force January 8

   Upcoming Presentations
      Harris County’s District Attorneys Child Abuse Taskforce-August 5, 2004
      Austin Sex Crimes Task Force-Multiple Agencies will be involved
      City of Houston-Office of the Mayor-Crime Victims Assistance Division
      The Children’s Assessment Center of Harris County

   Presentations Created
      The Set Up-Sex Offender Manipulation

   Forms Created or Revised
      CSOT brochure

   Rules Committee
      Met January 23rd 2nd draft of rules completed with new sections on juveniles, females, and
      developmentally delayed

   Conference Update
      Co-sponsor of the 2003 Child Abuse Conference-Partnering to Help Our
      Children December 15-16 in San Antonio

   2004 Adult Conference
      Created and distributed the Conference brochure
      265 have registered. Increase of 45 attendees.

   2005 Adult Conference
      Secured the Austin Marriott-Contract Pending

   2004 Juvenile Conference
      Secured the San Antonio Sheraton Gunter Hotel for the 2004 Juvenile
      Conference July 10-13, 2004
      Secured Dr. Craig Latham as the keynote speaker
      Met February 11 to begin planning
      Call for Proposal posted and mailed out on February 12
      Brochure created
      Exhibitor form created
Co-Sponsors
Texas Juvenile Probation, Texas Youth Commission, TAASA, Alamo
Children’s Advocacy Center, Therapeutic Life, San Marcos Treatment Center

CSOT Website Update
Web test site conducted March 1, 2004. Projected new website online March 5, 2004

Legislation
Met with Representative Hopson regarding Interim Study on the Council December 15, 2004
Contact with Senator Shapiro regarding Child Safety Zone requirements
Compiled the results of the fee and licensure survey
Submitted application to HIPD B (Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank) for the Council to be in compliance with Federal Law (Social Security Act Section 1128E) regarding reporting licensing actions taken against health care practitioners
Moved to the Professional Licensing Model regarding committees

Out of State Contacts
Alaska regarding the development of their states sex offender standards of practice.
New Mexico regarding the development of their states sex offender standards, the Council’s mission, philosophy, goals, and responsibilities.
Minnesota House of Representatives regarding crossover research and re-offense rates.

Civil Commitment Activities
MDT (Nov-Feb)
November-53 cases reviewed with 22 referred for a behavioral abnormality assessment
December-42 cases reviewed with 7 referred for a behavioral abnormality assessment
January-45 cases reviewed with 3 referred for a behavioral abnormality assessment
February-33 cases reviewed with 5 referred for a behavioral abnormality assessment

Legislation
First meeting held on February 25 with the Council, TDH, TDCJ, DPS, MHMR and legislators regarding changes to the Health & Safety Code 841

Court Case Affirmed
Beasley v. Molett-Petition for Review under Rule 53 Disposed of-TX Supreme Court
In Re Commitment of Almaguer-Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Michaels-Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Petersimes- Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Corliss-Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Danner-Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Adams-Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Graham-Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Morales-Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Shaw- Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Martinez-Court of Appeals 9th District
In Re Commitment of Mullens-Court of Appeals 9th District

**Court Decisions Reversed and remanded**
In Re Commitment of Fisher-Court of Appeals 13th District
In Re Commitment of Larkin Court of Appeals 9th District

**Interagency Cooperation Agreement**
Secured with Texas Department of Health, which allows the Council to monitor all Civil Commitment contracts with unencumbered funds.

**SVP Database Update**
The database came on line January 2, 2004. All billing and documentation is completed via the database.
Initial phase of creating a SVP database for statistical information

**Global Positioning Satellite Tracking**
First draft of contract with ProTech Monitoring to lease two active units for case manager training.
ProTech is converting the PTDs from CDPD to Global Standard Mobile (GSM) networks. CDPD will be terminated in July. The cost will decrease from $13.00 per day per client to $10.00 per day per client.
Working on draft MOU with DPS.

**Auditing**
Secured MOA with two independent auditors to conduct audits on case managers and treatment providers to evaluate the effectiveness of the treatment and supervision of SVPs.
First audits conducted in San Antonio January 19, 2004 and Houston February 16, 2004

**Out of State contacts**
Contacted by Missouri, Washington, Virginia, and Kansas regarding SVPs who have traditional mental requisites and competency trials
Minnesota regarding the development of an intermediate civil commitment modeled after Texas’ Outpatient SVP Treatment Program
Arkansas regarding the development of sex offender programs regarding sexually violent predators.

**Residential Facilities**
Secured in Austin, Houston, Dallas, Ft. Worth, and El Paso for SVP placement
MOA secured with Travis County Work Release January 6, 2004
First meeting scheduled with Bexar County Work Release March 12, 2004 for spot purchasing bed space.

**Forms Created or Revised**
Child Safety Zone Certification
Contract and workforce analysis for expert assessments for biennial reviews
MOA for auditors

**SVP Update (as of March 2nd)**
Total committed-35
Active in the Program-11
  8-Halfway House placements
  3-Private residence
Deceased -1
Absconder - 1
In Custody Pending Release from ID-15
  6-Pending CC Violation Trials
  1-Parole warrant only
  1-State Hospital commitment (Fisher)
Pending Trials-5

VII. Discussion and possible action regarding Rules and Regulations Relating to RSOTPs
Liles Arnold moves for adopting rules, Rules posted for 30 day comment Maria Molett seconds, all in favor.

VIII. Discussion and possible action regarding the Annual Report
Liles Arnold moves for approval of Annual Report with changes that have been noted, Maria Molett seconds, all in favor.

IX. Discussion and possible action regarding the Council’s Budget
Debbie Peterson reported on 2 separate Budgets. Will pay for case managers training only, treatment provider waive the registration fee to begin Sept. 1, 2005.

X. Discussion and possible action regarding Conferences and issues related to scheduling Council Meetings
No action on this item.

XI. Discussion and possible action regarding Strategic Legislative Planning and the planning of a Retreat
Retreat meeting to be scheduled on May 6 & 7th, 2004 in Austin, Texas.

XII. Update on the Multidisciplinary Team and discussion and possible action regarding related Issues
Maria Molett passed around handouts of statistics. Allison Taylor reported statement from TDCJ, we need to be cautious about number of people, due to budget constraints.
Liles Arnold requested to attend next MDT meeting in Huntsville, Texas on May 20, 2004.

XIII. Discussion and possible action regarding Civil Commitment Abatements and issues related to the Special Prosecution Unit
No action with this item.

XIV. Discussion and possible action regarding Department of Public Safety Global Positioning Tracking
No action with this item.
XV. Discussion and possible action regarding the Individualized Treatment Plan for SVPs

All in favor for Treatment Planning in meeting packets.

XVI. Public Comment

Lisa Ticknor Gabbert and Rona Stratton Smith come to address the issue of Civil Commitment. Passed out handouts of a 22 year old case, this individual is not subject to review under the current Civil Commitment laws. The Council suggested gathering strong victim groups to help support Legislation. The Council would support and assist with the changes.

XVII. Presentation of Future Agenda Items

XVIII. Discussion regarding the Future Conferences

No discussion on this item.

XIX. Discussion of Future Meeting Dates

Next Council meeting is set in conjunction with the 12th Annual Conference on Juveniles with Sexual Behavior Problems July 10, 2004 at 1:00 p.m.

XX. Adjournment

The Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.
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