The Interfaith Committee on Intimate Partner Violence

Minutes for June 25, 2024

I. Meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Bernita Walker. Present were Co-chair Varsha N., Co-Chair Cecelia Walker, Cynthia Hernandez, Jocelyn Talavera, Cheryl Moore, Diane Hong, Kathy Tan, Patricia Hernandez, Odalyz Abreo, Ajam Johnson, Marci (Ann's Place), Marie Skelton

II. Attendees were invited to introduce themselves, Title, Organization Affiliation, and identify a favorite flavor of ice cream.

Guest Speaker:

Meeting attendees were presented with ways that Faith-Based, and Non-Profit organizations may provide support for Survivors of IPV/GBV and Sexual Assault:

Co-Chair Bernita presented attendees with Broken Vows, a video published by Faith Trust Institute, which explored the experiences of IPV/GBV through the lens of victims from various faiths who shared their experience as well as the response by their faith leaders.

Co-Chair Varsha N provided an informative presentation on the Start by Believing Movement, highlighting the critical importance of believing those who courageously choose to disclose victimization of all forms. Attendees learned how they may commit to the Movement individually or as an agency.

III. Matters not posted on the agenda to be presented, and placed on future agenda: None

IV. New, Critical, and Emerging Issues: None

V. Follow up from Previous Meeting Items: None

VII. Matters not on the posted agenda (to be presented and placed on a future agenda): None

VIII. Public Comments: not to exceed two minutes per person and must be on items of interest which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council

IX. Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm. Next meeting date is July 23, 2024 at the California Endowment Center.