

**DRAFT**

**Center for Crime Victim Services  
Board Meeting Minutes  
September 18, 2023**

**Board Members Present:** Susan Ide, Susan Carr, Alycia Post, Richard Katzman.

**Absent:** Bob Paolini. **Staff Members Present:** Jennifer Poehlmann, Carol Morgan, Jodie Bacon, Abby Gladstone-Strobel, Maria Gibbs, Michelle Pelletier, Carol Brochu, Melinda Meyer, Gene Nelson. **Also Present:** Amy Farr, VT State Police Victim Advocate

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 PM.

**REVIEW MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of August 21, 2023, and unanimously approved them as presented.

**COMPENSATION PROGRAM REPORT**

Abby Gladstone-Strobel presented Compensation reports for August 2023. This August a total of 45 regular claims were received, compared to 53 the previous August. A total of 32 sexual assault (SA) claims were received, compared to 27 the previous August. Expenses for regular claims were about \$3.5K less than in August of 2022. SA expenses were about \$2.4K less than last August. The Compensation Report was accepted as presented.

**RESTITUTION UNIT REPORT**

Michelle Pelletier presented the Restitution Unit (RU) reports for August 2023. In August, a total of 68 Restitution Judgement Orders (RJOs) were received from around the state, with the largest number coming from Chittenden County (28 RJOs). In August, the RU's Case Managers brought in almost \$52K and tax offsets produced a little over \$6K. The Restitution Report was accepted as presented.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Carol Brochu presented the Financial Reports for August 2023.

**CENTER UPDATE**

Jennifer Poehlmann updated the board on a variety of topics.

**REVIEW OF IDEA (INCLUSIVITY, DIVERSITY, EQUITY & ACCESSIBILITY)**

Gene Nelson, CCVS Grants Manager, advised the Board on CCVS's work regarding President Biden's Executive Order on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility, and requirements for organizations receiving federal funds.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to adjourn. Adjourned at 2:42 PM.

**Next VCCVS Board Meeting Date:**  
**Annual Public Meeting**  
**Monday, October 16, 2023**  
**1:30 PM**  
**In the conference room at**  
**60 South Main Street, Waterbury.**