

**U.S. Department of Education  
Violence Against Women Act Negotiated Rulemaking Committee**

**Meeting Summary  
January 13-14, 2014**

**Welcome**

Dr. Brenda Dann-Messier, Acting Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, welcomed the members of the Committee and thanked them for agreeing to assist the Department in developing regulations to implement provisions of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA).

**Introductions**

All members who were present introduced themselves.

**Overview of the Negotiated Rulemaking Process**

The facilitators provided an overview of the negotiated rulemaking process. They explained that the Committee’s discussions will focus on developing consensus regulatory text for the Department’s proposed rule to implement VAWA.

**Review and Adopt Protocols**

Committee members discussed and adopted the draft organizational protocols, which will govern the Committee’s activities throughout the negotiated rulemaking process.

**Membership**

The membership of the Committee was discussed. Additions to the Committee membership were proposed and discussed, and several were agreed to. The following members were accepted:

**Federal Negotiator**

<b>U.S. Department of Education</b>	Gail McLarnon U.S. Department of Education	
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**Non-Federal Negotiators**

<b>Community of Interest</b>	<b>Primary</b>	<b>Alternate</b>
<b>Students</b>	Laura Dunn Founder, SurvJustice	John Kelly Know Your IX
<b>Legal assistance organizations that represent students</b>	Fatima Goss Graves Vice President for Education and Employment, National Women’s Law Center	Bridgette Harwood Co-Executive Director, Director of Legal Services, Network for Victim Recovery of DC
<b>Consumer advocacy organizations</b>	Nancy Chi Cantalupo Research Fellow, Victim Rights Law Center	Denice Labertew Director of Advocacy Services and Campus Programs, California Coalition Against Sexual Assault and Adjunct Faculty, Los Angeles Valley College

		and Los Angeles Mission College
<b>Campus safety advocates</b>	S. Daniel Carter Director, VTV Family Outreach Foundation's 32 National Campus Safety Initiative	Alison Kiss Executive Director, Clery Center for Security On Campus, Inc.
<b>Mental Health Services</b>	Connie Best Clinical Psychologist and Professor, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Medical University of South Carolina	Jessica Ladd-Webert Director and Licensed Professional Counselor, Office of Victim Assistance, University of Colorado-Boulder
<b>Institutional campus safety officials</b>	Michael Heidingsfield Director of The University of Texas System Police	Paul Denton Chief of Police, The Ohio State University Police Division
<b>Institutional student affairs/disciplinary divisions</b>	Cat Riley Title IX Coordinator, Office of Title IX Compliance, University of Texas Medical Branch Galveston	Caroline Fultz-Carver Associate Compliance Officer, University of South Florida System
<b>Institutional centers for women, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered individuals</b>	Lisa Erwin Vice Chancellor for Student Life and Dean of Students , University of Minnesota Duluth	Dennis Gregory Associate Professor of Higher Education, Darden College of Education, Old Dominion University
<b>Institutional attorneys</b>	Dana Scaduto General Counsel, Dickinson College	Jerry Blakemore Vice President and General Counsel, Northern Illinois University
<b>Minority serving institutions and other Title III institutions</b>	Anthony Walker Chief of Police, Norfolk State University	Julie Poorman Director, Financial Aid, Student Employment and the Call Center, East Carolina University
<b>Two-year public institutions</b>	Rick Amweg Director, Campus Safety & Security, University System of Ohio	Gary Lyle Chief and Director of Public Safety, Anne Arundel Community College
<b>Four-year public institutions</b>	Jill Dunlap Director, Campus Advocacy Resources and Education, UC Santa Barbara	Holly Rider-Milkovich Director, Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Center and Co-Chair, Abuse Hurts Initiative, University of Michigan
<b>Private, non-profit institutions</b>	Stephanie Atella Health Educator, Student Development	Michael Webster Director of Campus Safety, McDaniel

	Wellness Center, Loyola University Chicago	College
<b>Private, for-profit institutions</b>	Deana Echols Vice President of Compliance, Ultimate Medical Academy	Christine Gordon American Association of Cosmetology Schools President and owner, Graham Webb Academy

### **Agenda and Review of Issues**

A representative of the Department's Office of Civil Rights offered an overview of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. The Committee reviewed and approved the draft Agenda, and discussed in detail the substantive topics listed on the Agenda.

### **Public Comment**

Opportunities were provided each day for the members of the public to provide comments. Several comments from the public were received at the end of each day.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Committee session will be held on February 24 and 25, 2014 at the U.S. Department of Education in the 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Center located at 1990 K St. NW in Washington, D.C. Sessions will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 5:00 p.m. each day.

### **Next Steps**

The Committee established two subgroups to meet by telephone prior to the next Committee meeting. These were the Stalking Subcommittee headed by Laura Dunn and the Prevention/Training Subcommittee headed by Nancy Chi Cantalupo. Each group was to seek to develop advice and possible draft regulatory text for the full Committee and the Department to consider.

### **Members Present**

#### **Non-federal Members:**

Stephanie Atella  
Rick Amweg  
Connie Best  
Jerry Blakemore  
Nancy Chi Cantalupo  
S. Daniel Carter  
Paul Denton  
Jill Dunlap  
Laura Dunn  
Deana Echols  
Lisa Erwin  
Caroline Fultz- Carver  
Christine Gordon  
Fatima Goss Graves  
Dennis Gregory  
Bridgette Harwood  
Michael Heidingsfield  
John Kelly  
Alison Kiss  
Jessica Ladd-Webert  
Gary Lyle

Julie Poorman  
Holly Rider-Milkovich  
Cat Riley  
Dana Scaduto  
Anthony Walker

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