



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

CITIZENS' REVIEW BOARD ON POLICE PRACTICES

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 22, 2016

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Mira Mesa Branch Library
8405 New Salem Street
San Diego, CA 92126

Members Present:

Lisa Sorce, Chair

William Beck, 1st Vice-Chair

Douglas Case, 2nd Vice-Chair

Joe Craver

Taura Gentry

Brandon Hilpert

Thomas Lincoln

Larry McMinn

Joyce Mohrlock

Charlene McAdory

Pieter O'Leary

Mary O'Tousa

Pauline Theodore

Nancy Vaughn

Martin Workman

Members Absent:

Diana Dent

Godwin Higa

Ernestine Smith

Kathy Vandenheuvel

Staff Present:

Sharmaine Moseley, Executive Director, CRB

William Gersten, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office

David Ramirez, Executive Assistant Chief, San Diego Police Department

Marshall White, Acting/Captain, San Diego Police Department

Mike Holden, Lieutenant, San Diego Police Department

Angelica Navarro-Moran, Detective, Internal Affairs, San Diego Police Department

Denise Sandoval, Executive Secretary, CRB

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- I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
 - II. PURPOSE OF THE CITIZENS' REVIEW BOARD ON POLICE PRACTICES: Chair Lisa Sorce explained the purpose of the Citizens' Review Board on Police Practices to those in attendance.
 - III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The CRB Open Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2016 were reviewed. It was noted that Chief Ramirez and Lieutenant Mike Holden were present at that meeting.

IV. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT (speaker slip required): It was noted that there were no speaker slips.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS (DISCUSSION/ACTION):

A. Outreach Committee (Taura Gentry)

A Power point handout titled “Outreach Strategies for Today and Tomorrow” was provided to all attendees. The handout provided detailed the Committee’s vision statement, goals and objectives, current situation, history of the Outreach Committee, and proposed strategies.

Board member Nancy Vaughn suggested quarterly and centrally located outreach sessions.

Jose Ysea, Public Information Officer, City of San Diego informed stated that he is currently working with Executive Director Sharmaine Moseley as well as Committee Chair Taura Gentry on scheduling outreach events, a communication plan, and social media opportunities. He also stated that Ms. Moseley was on Channel 6 news this morning. Mr. Richard Stanford, a prospective member to the CRB, suggested that publicizing the monthly meetings be placed in local publications.

2nd Vice Chair Doug Case, stated that he would like to see the CRB do outreach at local street fairs, Farmers Markets, and Community Colleges.

1st Vice Chair William Beck, suggested that the Annual Meeting Schedule be distributed.

Board member Nancy Vaughn stated that the Ocean Beach Street Fair would be a good venue for outreach.

Board member Brandon Hilpert stated that the North Park Street Fair is a well-attended event and would be ideal for outreach.

Chair Lisa Sorce reminded everyone that outreach is the Boards job and that all board members participate in outreach.

Committee Chair Gentry stated that the CRB had a 3 minute and a 6 minute presentation was sent to the Executive Director for approval. The CRB Brochure will also be sent to the Executive Director for review and approval.

Chief Ramirez stated that he will discuss the suggestion of the CRB providing a presentation to new police recruits after they finish the academy with Assistant Chief Sarah Creighton and provide an answer to the CRB.

Staff will provide the date of the next Outreach Committee Meeting.

B. Continuing Education Committee (Charlene McAdory)
Upcoming Education Topics/Guest Speakers

C. Rules Committee (Doug Case)

- Bylaw Revision Status Update
 - 2nd Vice Chair Doug Case stated that a rules committee meeting was pending. He further stated that he would inform the CRB of the next rules committee meeting.

D. Policy Committee (Joe Craver)

Committee Chair Joe Craver stated that the Policy Committee has not met on any issues and that he had nothing new to report at this time.

E. Recruitment & Retention Committee (William Beck)

- Candidate Update – The Committee is scheduled to interview one more candidate on Thursday at 2 p.m. There are currently three other candidates pending appointment to the CRB by the Mayor.

- Prospective Member Ride-Along Debrief

Rebecca Williams reported that she currently has a ride-along scheduled for Friday during 1st watch at Western Division. She will report out at the next CRB Open Meeting.

- Richard Stanford reported that he went on a ride-along with the Northern Division during 2nd watch in Pacific Beach and that a traffic stop for tinted windows turned into an arrest for warrants.
- Sheila Holtrop reported that her ride-along was also with the Northern Division. She further stated that she took the opportunity to ask questions of the officer. The officer told her that nobody really knows what the CRB does.

VI. CHAIR’S REPORT (Lisa Sorce)

A. Report on CRB Retreat

Gratitude expressed for all of those who took time out of their Saturday morning to participate in the retreat. Chair Sorce also provided everyone with a handout of the initiatives discussed at the retreat.

B. Next Open Session Meeting on April 26th – It was reported that the Board will select its Nominating Committee for Elections.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT (Sharmaine Moseley)

A. Caseload Update- It was reported that as of yesterday, the CRB teams had a total of 16 cases currently assigned. Out of the 16 cases that were assigned, four cases were on tonight’s meeting agenda for review. Out of those four cases, the Board reviewed and closed out all four cases. It was further reported that for FY 2016, the CRB reviewed and closed out a total of 67 cases.

The number of cases assigned to each team are as follows:

Team 1 = 3 cases	Team 3 = 2 cases	Team 5 = 3 cases
Team 2 = 2 cases	Team 4 = 1 case	Team 7 = 1 case

B. Community Events/Forums – Ms. Moseley stressed the importance of talking about what the CRB does and all the work that it takes to ensure that those who file complaints are given a fair and thorough review. Ms. Moseley updated the Board the CRB presence at the following meetings:

- Captain’s Advisory Board Meeting (Northwestern Division)
- CW6 News Interview on the CRB
- Speaking Engagement Re: CRB at Cal Western School of Law on March 24th.
- Met with La Raza- Regarding Possible Joint Seminar

- Salute to Women Leaders (79 District)
- Broadway Heights Community Gathering
- City of San Diego Communications Department working with Jose Ysea

C. Educational Opportunity Forms – April 1st Educational Forms are due for the third quarter. Importance of filling out and submitting the educational opportunities forms to Denise Sandoval.

D. Status of Annual Report – The Report has been completed and is now on management’s desk for review.

VIII. SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT (Executive Assistant Chief David Ramirez)
Executive Assistant Chief Ramirez shared that Chief Zimmerman would be speaking at the PSLN Committee Meeting on March 23, 2016 at 2 pm regarding the Body Worn Cameras.

IX. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT (William Gersten)

Deputy City Attorney William Gersten reminded the CRB that the Women Occupy would also be speaking at the PS&LN Committee Meeting on March 23, 2016. He reminded the Board that they cannot speak on behalf of the CRB but as an individual. He also stated that CRB Chair Sorce and 1st Vice Chair William Beck would be presenting at PS&LN meeting.

X. NEW BUSINESS (DISCUSSION/ACTION)

A. Report on the 2015 NACOLE Conference

- Executive Director Sharmaine Moseley attended this conference along with 2nd Vice Chair Doug Case and Board Member Nancy Vaughn.

It was noted that copies of the program can be made available. It was noted that there was a flash drive that contained all the presentations if anyone wanted to view it. The sessions included many topics such as: Body Worn Cameras, Mental Health, Transgender, Community Relations, etc.

- 2nd Vice Chair Doug Case shared that the Riverside model is close to the CRB model. The Riverside model for oversight shows to be very transparent. They have special software with confidentiality features built into tablets that are given to the members for reviewing cases. He also mentioned that their officer involved shootings were available on online. The Riverside model is a proactive board versus reactive. The Board uses satisfaction surveys, brochures in every language, and they do Police Academy presentations and give Exceptional Service Awards to officers. Mr. Case mentioned that Riverside does have subpoena power but have only used it once.
- Board member Nancy Vaughn stated that in Riverside, CA, the public is allowed to attend the case review as well as the Police Chief, the officer, and complainants are allowed to present their case in front of the officer and the public. Riverside seem to have a very transparent model. Ms. Vaughn also stated that the board members have red polo shirts.
- Ms. Moseley stated that the next NACOLE Conference would take place in September 2016 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

B. Report on the 2016 Police Accountability & Oversight Workshop in LA

CRB Executive Director Sharmaine Moseley attended this workshop along with 2nd Vice

- Ms. Vaughn stated that one of the presenters gave an investigations workshop. The presenter went through all parts of an investigation and what an investigator does from beginning to end. She suggested that maybe we should have him speak at a meeting.

C. Transportation of Females to Sally Port/Restroom

- Board member Taura Gentry brought this topic forward to the Board. She wanted clarification as to why does the officer wait until a female officer arrives in order to escort a female prisoner to the restroom.

Lieutenant White explained that the officer waits outside the bathroom door. Each officer has to evaluate the circumstance. There may be potential for a prisoner to hurt themselves. In that circumstance SDPD would prefer to wait for a female officer to assist.

XI. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

- Taura Gentry went on a ride-along in the Central Division with 2nd watch.
- Tom Lincoln went on a ride-along in the Western Division with the Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) and Psychological Emergency Response Team (PERT).
- Larry McMinn attended the Prospective Member Training (PM) at the Academy for an in-depth Body Worn Camera training. The training was very interesting and featured who is issued the Body Worn Camera, who is responsible for the Body Worn Camera, and its footage.
- Mary O'Tousa also attended the PM Training. It meant more to her the 2nd time around.
- Brandon Hilpert attended a sit-along in SDPD Communications with dispatch and a ride-along at Central.

XII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Materials Provided

- Minutes from CRB Open Session Meeting of February 23, 2016
- CRB Strategic Planning Analysis – March 19, 2016