



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

CITIZENS' REVIEW BOARD ON POLICE PRACTICES

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Santa Fe Room, Balboa Park Club

2144 Pan American Road West, San Diego, CA 92101

**Members Present:**

Angela Alvarez	Jim Herrera	Alexis Torrey
William Beck	Godwin Higa	Lisa Sorce
Harry Bonnell	Jim Hurl	Nancy Vaughn, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair
Benetta Buell-Wilson	Jason Kaplan	Anthony Wagner
Douglas Case	Yuki Marsden, 1st Vice Chair	Martin Workman
Joe Craver	Ken Martone	
Amari Garcia	Barbara Penn	

**Members Excused:**

James Kaese, Chair	Lucy Pearson
Robin Kaufman	Pauline Theodore

**Staff Present:**

Danell Scarborough, Executive Director, CRB  
Karen Li, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office  
David Ramirez, Executive Assistant Chief, San Diego Police Department  
Bernie Colon, Lieutenant, Internal Affairs, San Diego Police Department  
Tim Saelens, Lieutenant, Internal Affairs, San Diego Police Department  
Vernon Peterson, Detective, Internal Affairs, San Diego Police Department  
Denise Sandoval, Executive Secretary, Administration Department/CRB  
Darrin Schwabe, Senior Manager, CRB

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** 6:30 P.M. (*Meeting Chaired by Yuki Marsden, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair*)
  - II. **PURPOSE OF THE CITIZENS' REVIEW BOARD ON POLICE PRACTICES**
  - III. **MINUTES APPROVAL:** CRB Open Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2013. Approval of minutes passed unanimously.
  - IV. **NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
  - V. **TRAINING PRESENTATION:** **SDPD Taser Policy and Current Research**

- San Diego Police Department training and demonstration by
  - Acting Lieutenant Philhower
  - Officer Rich Hinzo
  - Officer Ken Kries
- Harry Bonnell, Forensic Specialist and CRB Member

**VI. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS**

- Training Reports
  - Yuki Marsden - DUI Check Point

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS (DISCUSSION/ACTION)**

- **Policy Committee – Benetta Buell-Wilson**
  - Distributed notes from last meeting’s presentation
- **Training Committee – Lucy Pearson – No report**
- **Outreach Committee – Jason Kaplan**
  - Attended Coalition of Neighborhood Councils held at Chavez/Tubman Center with the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair and the Executive Director.
  - Will be Speaking about CRB at the next Community Resource Officers Meeting.
- **Recruitment & Retention Committee – Yuki Marsden**
  - Held Three Informational Sessions Meetings
  - Another Informational Session to be held on May 9, 2013, Chavez/Tubman Center
  - CRB presentation at NAACP General Membership Meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- **By-Laws Review – Nancy Vaughn**
  - Trifurcation Process handout was distributed
  - Currently in the process of writing Bylaws so that they thoroughly describe our organizational structure.
  - The First of Seven Articles has been sent out and comments have been received.
  - The Fourth & Fifth Articles will be sent out for the Board’s review and comment.
- **Red Binder Review – Alexis Torrey**
  - Requesting a Meeting with Chair and Vice Chair to Discuss Second Phase II of the Red Binder Update.

**VIII. CHAIR’S REPORT – Yuki Marsden**

- Announcement of Nominating Committee for Next Year
  - Jason Kaplan is Chair of Committee, Lisa Sorce, and Pauline Theodore are members
    - Slate of Nominees will be presented at the next open meeting.
- CRB Quarterly Report – FY13 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter – Available on the website
- Clarification of CRB Action on Investigator’s Notes
  - An Investigator’s Note is just that “A Note” found during the investigation that did not rise to the level of an allegation.

**IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Danell Scarborough**

- FY14 Reappointment Process
  - Request that reappointment forms be turned in. The Mayor will inform us who he will appoint.

**X. SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT - None**

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

- CRB's review and evaluation of the SDPD's administration of discipline arising from complaints – This item was continued until next meeting.

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

- Pattern of Questions put to Officers and Witnesses in Interviews – This item was continued until next meeting.
- Dividing a Motion and Voting on Allegations Separately – See attachment regarding Division of the Question
  - Handout from Roberts Rules was provided and read by Deputy City Attorney
  - A Board Member can Move to Divide the Question

***Motion: Made by Alexis Torrey to Set Aside Roberts Rules of Order and Not Allow Division of the Question (Motion) when Voting on Cases.***

***Vote: Motion Failed.***

- City Attorney's Case Law Summaries: Warrantless Searches of Vehicles
  - Deputy City Attorney handed out summary of cases and encouraged Board members to call her if they had any questions.

**XIII. ADJOURNED**

**Materials Provided:**

- Minutes from CRB Open Meeting of March 26, 2013
- Trifurcation Process Handout
- CRB Quarterly Report
- FY14 Reappointment Process Forms
- Motion to Review and Evaluate SDPD Discipline
- Dividing a Motion and Voting on Allegations separately Handout