



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

CITIZENS' REVIEW BOARD ON POLICE PRACTICES

MINUTES

Tuesday, August 26, 2014
Pacific Beach/Taylor Branch Library
4275 Cass Street
San Diego, CA 92109

Members Present:

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| Angela Alvarez | Jim Hurl | Alexis Torrey |
| Benetta Buell-Wilson | Mary Johnson | Ernestine Smith |
| Douglas Case, 2 nd Vice Chair | Jason Kaplan, 1 st Vice Chair | Nancy Vaughn |
| Joe Craver | Ken Martone | Kathy Vandenheuvel |
| Ruben Garcia | Lucy Pearson | Dennis Vincent |
| Godwin Higa | Pauline Theodore | Martin Workman |

Members Absent:

Yuki Marsden, Chair
William Beck
Jim Herrera
Mary Johnson
Pamela White
Bryon Garner
Lisa Sorce

Staff Present:

Danell Scarborough, Executive Director, CRB
Michael S. Giorgino, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office
David Ramirez, Executive Assistant Chief, San Diego Police Department
Anastasia Smith, Captain, San Diego Police Department
Bernie Colon, Captain, San Diego Police Department
Matt Novak, Lieutenant, San Diego Police Department
Tim Williams, Detective, San Diego Police Department
Denise Sandoval, Executive Secretary, CRB

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME TO BOARD MEMBERS

PURPOSE OF THE CITIZENS' REVIEW BOARD ON POLICE PRACTICES

MINUTES APPROVAL: CRB Open Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2014 were approved

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT - None

RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION: Ruben Garcia
Bernie Colon, Police Captain
Vernon Peterson, Police Sergeant

BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS

- Training Reports
 - Lucy Pearson – Attended PERT Presentation
 - Pauline Theodore – Homeless Outreach Team (HOT)

COMMITTEE REPORTS (DISCUSSION/ACTION)

- Policy Committee – Jim Herrera & Ken Martone (Co-Chairs)
 - Pending Meeting 9/9/2014
- Continuing Education Committee – Benetta Buell Wilson
 - Shared historical items from San Diego Police
 - Currently requesting topics of interest
- Outreach Committee – Marty Workman
 - Pending meeting with Assistant Chief Jarvis to conduct CRB presentations at Police Line ups
- Rules Committee – Doug Case
 - Rules Change Form Presented
 - Prioritizing Standing Rules regarding Case Writing
 - Proposal to hold a 2 hour Workshop to review guidelines (parameters) in lieu of the next closed session meeting.
- Recruitment & Training Committee - None
- Administration of Discipline Committee – Ken Martone

Motion was made by Ken Martone to: upon notification of receipt of the Command Discipline Report by Internal Affairs, the team shall meet to review the report. If the team determines that more information is needed, the team leader shall request a meeting with the Commanding Officer who imposed the discipline or a member of the Department designated by the Chief of Police authorized to review the discipline imposed.

That in addition to the reading of the Command Discipline Report, the team will give a brief synopsis of the case and such other information as the team deems pertinent to the case. Any team member of CRB member may make a motion to disagree with the discipline imposed. The motion to disagree must include a statement as to why the maker of the motion is in disagreement.

Upon a majority vote of the CRB to disagree with the discipline imposed, the Chair of the CRB shall there by be authorized to inform the Mayor of the action of the Board.

That the drafting of the Standing Rules to implement the CRB discipline review procedure as approved, be referred to the Rules Committee. 2nd by Joe Craver

Deputy City Attorney Mike Giorgino: commented that a clarification of the 2 types of Standing Rules was needed. There is an Operational Standing Rule and the other is the Administrative Standing Rule. The Operational Standing Rule requires City Attorney and Mayoral approval. The Administrative Standing Rule requires approval from the Board.

Ken Martone Added to the Motion: “with the understanding that the Deputy City Attorney would be available to Assist and Review.”

Executive Assistant Chief Ramirez: requested that the City Attorney research the Police Officers Bill of Rights in regards to any violations in the motion.

Vote: 4 /8 *Motion Fails

- Red Binder Committee – Alexis Torrey

Motion was made by Alexis Torrey to: disband the Ad-Hoc Red Binder Committee and transfer the custodial duties (updates, additions, changes) to the Rules Committee.

2nd by: Pauline Theodore. Vote: *Motion Passes.

Request made by Benetta Buell Wilson to: have staff clarify if Ad-Hoc Committees are required to post agendas when meeting.

CHAIR’S REPORT – Jason Kaplan, 1st Vice Chair

- Shared Proclamation presented at the 25th Anniversary Celebration.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

- Documenting changes to cases using chart on thumb drive
- NACOLE Transgender Training Webinar
- Staff will begin take role for attendance and use this time to update the CRB on the Status of its absent Board Members.

SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT- None

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT - None

OLD BUSINESS (DISCUSSION/ACTION)

NEW BUSINESS (DISCUSSION/ACTION)

- Debrief input received from CRB Open Session Meeting of July 22, 2014
 - Shared letter from the public to the CRB
- Brainstorming ways to make CRB service more accessible to more segments of community
 - *Carried forward to the next agenda for the September meeting.*

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Materials Provided:

Minutes from CRB Open Session Meeting of July 22, 2014
Motion from Ad- Hoc Committee
Motion from Administration of Discipline Committee