



PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Police Accountability Board

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

October 25, 2023

Location: 9200 Basil Court, Suite 400, Largo, Maryland 20774

6:40p.m. – 8:29p.m.

Board Members Present: Chair Kelvin Davall, Vice Chair Carlo Sanchez, Shelia Bryant, Daniel Armando Jones, Lafayette Melton, Earl O'Neal, Marsha Ridley, Tamika Springs

Virtual Board Members Present: Dr. Andrea Coleman and Keenon James

Member(s) Absent: Daniel Vergamini

Staff Present: Denise Hall, Program Administrator; Tangi Allen, Program Associate

Consultant Present: Marva Jo Camp, Esq., Legal Counsel

Guest(s): N/A

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Davall called the meeting to order at 6:40p.m. Roll Call was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The September 13, 2023, Minutes were approved by a unanimous vote. Ayes: 10; Opposed: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

The September 27, 2023, Minutes were approved by a unanimous vote. Ayes: 10; Opposed: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

OLD BUSINESS

Letter to Police Chief

The Board reviewed and discussed a letter to Chief Aziz, Prince George's County Police Department, drafted by Daniel Armando Jones, with comments added by Marsha Ridley and reviewed by the Policy Subcommittee. Shelia Bryant offered a motion to return the letter to the Policy Subcommittee for editing purposes. The motion was seconded by Daniel Armando Jones. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. Ayes: 10; Opposed: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1



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AHB Selection Process Update

Dr. Andrea Coleman shared that the AHB Selection Subcommittee will meet to revise interview questions for Administrative Hearing Board candidates. An update will be provided during the next meeting on November 8, 2023.

Adoption of the Strategic Plan

Marva Jo Camp, Legal Counsel, led the Board in reviewing and editing the Draft Strategic Plan. Dr. Andrea Coleman and Lafayette Melton were selected to assist Ms. Camp with completing the Draft Strategic Plan. They will meet to finalize draft of the Strategic Plan. Board Members were also encouraged to provide any feedback regarding the Draft Strategic Plan to Denise Hall.

Status of Action Items

The discussion of Action Items was tabled until the next meeting. An email will be sent to specific board members regarding outstanding assignments and due dates. Chair Davall suggested creating a calendar with assignment due dates for Board Members to view.

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Case Review Process

Denise Hall discussed defining the case review process with Board Members. Ms. Hall would like to set a goal for the Board to review at least 25 cases by mid-December to begin collecting and reporting data. Vice Chair Sanchez will review all cases and identify 10 cases for Ms. Hall to email Board Members for their review. Board Members will complete the Case Review Form during their review and be prepared to discuss during the next meeting on November 8, 2023.

Tamika Springs inquired about gaining access to Complaints for the Board Members who were not able to meet with Tangi Allen and the Office of Information Technology to obtain access prior to the previous meeting. Board Members who cannot access cases should follow-up with Denise Hall or Tangi Allen.

Keenon James inquired about the Board gaining access to complaints filed with the Police Accountability Board. Denise Hall advised that the Board will receive access to complaints filed with the Police Accountability Board by tomorrow, October 26, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

Subcommittee Updates

Daniel Armando Jones advised that the Recommendations Subcommittee for the Annual Report met and began discussing ideas for the recommendations section of the annual report. The Subcommittee plans to meet again next week. Lafayette Melton shared how the Subcommittee is planning to compile recommendations as there has been limited trend data available.



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Daniel Armando Jones also shared that the Policy Subcommittee met and drafted a letter to Chief Aziz. The Board discussed the letter earlier in the meeting. The Policy Subcommittee will meet again to edit the letter to incorporate recommendations from the Board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Webpage Updates

Denise Hall shared that all Prince George's County government webpages have been restructured and the Police Accountability Board's website has been impacted. Ms. Hall met with the Office of Information Technology (OIT) on October 25, 2023 to ensure that the information that was removed from the PAB website is restored and that the page is user-friendly and intuitive. Ms. Hall requested Board Members to visit the PAB website and provide any comments to her prior to the next meeting.

Mr. James requested to have complaint data restored to the website for transparency purposes. Ms. Hall advised that the complaint data is still available but difficult to find. Ms. Hall is working with OIT to restructure the page and will share any Board Member feedback with OIT.

Hearing Board Attendance

Tangi Allen shared information about police administrative hearings under LEOBR, which predates the new administrative hearing board process under HB670 and CB-21-2022. Ms. Allen arranged for Board Members to attend a LEOBR administrative hearing on October 24, 2023. Sheila Bryant attended the LEOBR Administrative Hearing in person and shared her experience. Dr. Andrea Coleman and Marva Jo Camp attended virtually and shared the value of the experience. Ms. Allen will share the verdict with the Board when a decision is rendered.

Denise Hall advised that a process for administrative hearings, under HB670, has been developed. At this time, there have been no official requests for an administrative hearing under HB670.

Ride-A-Longs

Tangi Allen provided an update regarding the Ride-A-Long program, as it relates to capturing data for the annual report. Requests for Rides should be submitted to Ms. Allen to make arrangements. Per the Strategic Plan, the Board voted to participate in a minimum of one Ride-A-Long per year. Board Members have been approved for 8 hours of compensation to participate in the Ride-A-Long program. Additional Ride-A-Longs will take place on Board Member's personal time.

Marva Jo Camp shared her Ride-A-Long experience with the Board. Ms. Camp shared that she participated in a high speed chase and shared that District III PGPD officers work 12 hours shifts and suggested that Board Members consider the impact a 12-hour shift may have upon officers and the community.

Earl O'Neal shared his Ride-A-Long experience and what he learned about the high-speed chase policy with PGPD.



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UPDATES

Shelia Bryant attended a District II Coffee Circle Zoom meeting on Friday, October 20, 2023. Ms. Bryant shared what occurred during the meeting. (See attachment)

Earl O'Neal was invited to present at a NAACP meeting last month and provided an overview of the Police Accountability Board.

Sheila Bryant will continue working on the Power Point presentation for the Police Accountability Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Tamika Springs made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Daniel Armando Jones. The motion to adjourn passed by a unanimous vote. Ayes: 10; Opposed: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 1

NEXT MEETING

November 8, 2023 – In Person

Attachments: Coffee Chat Summary from Sheila Bryant

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