



MEETING MINUTES

Administrative Charging Committee (ACC)

Thursday, December 19, 2024

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

[Zoom Link](#)

Attendees: Andrea Johnson (Chair), Thomas Pinder (Vice Chair), James Hopkins, Chris Jennison, Bishop Paul Walker, Barton Aronson (Special Legal Counsel), Dr. Earl Stoddard, Forrest-Gilman-Reilly (staff), Laura Byers (*staff, minute taker*)

Public Members: None

1. Call to Order
2. Review/Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Motion to approve December 12 minutes and December 19 agenda. Approved. (5 Yes/0 No)

3. Discussion

The Administrator Director introduced Dr. Earl Stoddard from the CEX office. Dr. Stoddard discussed the following feedback received from stakeholders for awareness:

1. Concerns expressed of notification which include dismissal procedure. Changes have been applied to notify the Chiefs before the accused violator to protect members of the public.
2. Chiefs and Sheriffs Association Representative – Discussed the procedure of the ACC seeking an officer's disciplinary history for each case and other request history related to the current violations.
3. FOP Lodge 35, Chiefs, and the Office of County Attorney – Discussed the perception of possible overcharging and the difficulty of representing the view of the ACC in a Trial Board. Dr. Stoddard noted this is a structural and functional issue with the PAB Act and Matrix.

Mr Aronson and Mr. Gilman-Riley are working with the Office of the County Attorney (OCA) to utilize a uniform template for the charging documents.

Action Item: To share documents provided by the OCA and staff will upload them to SharePoint.

Action Item: The staff will inquire if the OCA is open to sharing the defending case operation with the ACC.

The Chair noted an email from the Public Safety Committee regarding an upcoming briefing in February for the ACC to address questions.

4. Case Review

Summary:

Motion to close the public session. (5 Yes/0 No)

(Vote 5/0) Motion to move to closed session to review details of personnel issues pursuant to Maryland Code, General Provisions Article §3-305(b)(13) “To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.”

- 24-0037-CLI
- IA2024-005
- 23-0267-CLI

5. Adjournment

Next ACC Meeting: January 8, 2025

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