



MEETING MINUTES

Police Accountability Board (PAB)

Thursday, May 18, 2023

7:00pm – 9:00pm

*In Person Location: Poolesville Town Hall
(19721 Beall Street, Poolesville, MD 20837)*

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Virtual Option: [Zoom Link to Register](#)

Attendees: Bishop Walker (Chair), Ken Kellner (Vice Chair), Chris Zatrutz, Alvin “Greg” McCray, George Lluberes (Parliamentarian), Alicia Hudson, Rudy Logan, Katharine “Kate” Manning, Chuck Williams, Fatmata Barrie (*staff*), *Lindsay Bolt (Staff, Minute Taker)*

Absent Board Members:

of General Public (nonmember) Attendees: 3

1. Call to Order

Summary:

- The Chair announced to all, that this meeting was being recorded and live streamed on the (<https://www.facebook.com/MoCoPAB>) MoCoPAB Facebook page

2. Review/Approve of 5/4 Agenda & Minutes

Actions:

- Board voted (*9 Yes, 0 No*) to approve the 5/4/23 meeting agenda and minutes

3. Staff Report

Summary:

- The Executive Director to the PAB, Fatmata Barrie, gave a report to the PAB members about the status of ongoing work being done on their behalf/things to be aware of
 - Currently working with our TEBS (IT) team on creating a more streamlined system (website/reporting)

- Reminded the Board of the June 29, Quarterly Chiefs mtg and the need for the Board to prepare questions
- Reviewed with the Board the policies and procedures all County Boards, Commissions and Committees must follow as it relates to work of Subcommittees
- Currently working with the County Attorney to set up interviews for the Special Legal Counsel, asked who from the PAB would like to participate on the panel
- The Senior Executive Administrative Aide to the PAB, Lindsay Bolt, gave an update to the PAB on the April 2023 Complaint Report
 - It was noted during the 5/4/2023 PAB meeting that at the time of the report, Takoma Park Police had not reported their numbers as to whether they received any complaints.
 - PAB Staff noted that Takoma Park reported on 5/8/2023 that they did not receive any complaints which fell under the Police Accountability Act for April 2023 so the April 2023 report stands as was read on 5/4/2023

4. Public Comment

Summary:

- The PAB is interested in hearing from the public about any questions they might have regarding the PAB's work, comments about what the PAB should be looking into, and how we can all work towards more transparency, more accountability, and more trust with law enforcement in our communities
 - Public Member commented that the Board requested a legal opinion related to the requirement to have Staff at any/all subcommittee meetings and the response received does not seem like it is an actual legal opinion. Believes the Board should still ask for a legal opinion

Note: Not every single question, comment or concern is noted within these minutes. For a full record of this meeting, please visit the [Montgomery County Police Accountability Board FaceBook](#) (Recording was posted May 18, 2023 at 7:06pm)

5. Open Discussion

Summary:

- The PAB members continued discussion around the process they expect as it relates to setting up the interviews for the Special Legal Counsel and moving work forward in the subcommittees/work groups
 - PAB members have expressed interest in observing the process
 - PAB has requested staff to find a path forward so they can continue the work of the subcommittee/workgroups

- PAB Chair suggested an SOP could be created to define what the expectations of the subcommittee are; not to make motions or decisions, but to bring findings and research back to the full board for making any motions etc.

6. Old Business

Summary:

- The Board finalized the memo of the outstanding questions the Board had for Councilmember Jawando as it related to the [STEP Act Bill](#)
- The Board finalized the memo to the Chiefs requesting the status of implementation of the Maryland Police Accountability Act specifically the Citizen Complaint filing process within each of their agencies.
 - This memo would be the 1st in a series, created by the PAB, on a periodic basis to seek clarification from each Montgomery County Law Enforcement Agency on the implementation of the various requirements under the Maryland Police Accountability Act

Actions:

- Board voted (9 Yes, 0 No) to approve the memo and have Staff transmit the outstanding questions to Councilmember Jawando re: [STEP Act Bill](#)
- Board voted (9 Yes, 0 No) to approve the memo to the chiefs and have Staff transmit this implementation inquiry to each Montgomery County Law Enforcement Agency

7. New Business

Summary:

- George (Parliamentarian) reminded all Board members about Robert's Rule of Order
- [Late Night Business Safety Plan](#)
 - Rudy requested Board members review the proposed Late Night Business Safety Plan to see if the Board should provide comment on this Bill
 - George suggested if staff can provide the Board with the original legislation and the Amended legislation
- Alicia requested an update on the scheduling of the Special Legal Counsel with the County Attorney
 - Fatmata shared the County Attorney intends to schedule 3 interviews the week of May 29
 - Need to determine whether In Person or via Teams; after work hours
 - Chair noted that an ACC member will participate in the interviews
- Chair recommended a joint PAB/ACC meeting, to introduce one another and the differences between the 2 groups, motives of the members as to why they accepted their seat
- Chris requested the Board think about drafting the questions for the June 29, Chiefs meeting

- Suggestion was made to start with the questions from the memo to the chiefs around their implementation of the MPAA
- George requested an update from the Staff on the PAB dashboard
 - Staff responded that the internal reporting PAB dashboard is being enhanced by TEBS with the hope of 7/1/2023 final enhancement update

8. Announcements

The Next PAB Meetings are Thursday, June 1, June 15, and June 29

Actions:

- Board voted (9 Yes, 0 No) to have any questions drafted on SharePoint by 1st week of June; 2nd week of June, the questions would be shared with the Chiefs

9. Adjournment

Bishop Walker, Chair

Next PAB Meeting: Thursday, June 1, 2023 (7pm-9pm)

In Person Location:

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Virtual via Zoom link