



MEETING MINUTES

Police Accountability Board (PAB)

Thursday, June 1, 2023

7:00pm – 9:00pm

*In Person Location: Bauer Drive Community Recreation Center
(14625 Bauer Drive, Rockville, MD 20853)*

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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, Fatmata Barrie (*staff*), *Lindsay Bolt (Staff, Minute Taker)*

Absent Board Members: Chuck Williams

of General Public (nonmember) Attendees: 4

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 5/18 Agenda & Minutes

Actions:

- Board voted (*8 Yes, 0 No*) to approve the 5/18/23 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

- Provided clarity regarding Subcommittees – the PAB is actually doing an ad hoc group work with a specific purpose (not a standing committee) which does not require the Board staff to sit on these ad hoc meetings.
- Currently working with the County Attorney to set up interviews for the Special Legal Counsel, County Attorney has 4 applicants he wishes to interview during the week of June 19th, more details on specific dates and times (after hours) to come
- Reminded Board members to check their personal emails for information about County Council happenings.
- Currently working with our TEBS (IT) team on creating a more streamlined system (website/reporting)
- Reported that the ACC has issued several final opinions to the Complainant, Accused Officer(s), and the Chief of the Law Enforcement Agency in which the Accused Officer is employed.
 - As of March 2023 Report
 - The # of complaints submitted to the Police Accountability Board were 29
 - Of the 29, only 8 were eligible to be reviewed by the ACC.
 - Of the 8 cases, the ACC has issued 8 opinions
 - The PAB asked the staff how the process has been going with the Law Enforcement Agencies, has it been timely and when they can expect to do their Quarterly Analysis
- The full time dedicated SEAA starts on Monday, June 5, 2023
- The Senior Executive Administrative Aide to the PAB, Lindsay Bolt, gave an update that the May 2023 Complaint Report will be shared with the PAB at their next meeting, 6/15/2023

Actions:

- Board voted (8 Yes, 0 No) to see the adjudicated ACC opinions, to include a process timeline of each case
 - Fatmata will follow up with the Office of the County Attorney to confirm when the opinions can be released to the PAB members to do their quarterly analysis (is redaction necessary or not)

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 should receive the Law Enforcement Agencies investigative file they sent to the ACC (so that you can see the context) of how the ACC came to their opinion.
 - Fatmata clarified that the PAB would receive the Investigative Case File as well as the ACC 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 June 1, 2023 at 7:04pm)

5. Unfinished Business

Summary:

- The ad hoc group (Kate, Alicia, Rudy, and Greg) met to discuss additional research on the topic of Use of Force/Mental Health and Traffic Stops
 - The ad hoc group wants to gather information through a Listening Tour (scheduled throughout the summer) with several groups:
 - Individual chiefs (Chief Jones and the Training Academy)
 - Department of Health and Human Services (specifically the mobile crisis unit)
 - Community Groups
 - Other County Departments
 - The Listening Tours would be virtual, over Zoom.
 - Over the next few weeks, the ad hoc group will develop open, free flowing questions
 - The ad hoc group will be reaching out to “Everyday Canvassing” to understand what they do and how they may be able to help connecting with the community and getting feedback
- The Board requested an update about whether a response from Councilmember Jawando had been received, related to their additional questions on the Step Act Bill
- The Board discussed whether the next Chief’s meeting should be only a few agencies instead of all

Actions:

- Board voted (8 Yes, 0 No) to have Staff request a response by 6/12/2023 from Councilmember Jawando on the additional questions the PAB sent re: [STEP Act Bill](#)

6. New Business

Summary:

- Chris encouraged folks to listen to the [Police Advisory Commission \(PAC\) meeting \(5/31\)](#) discussion around Councilmember Luedtke’s Bill #27-23 to repeal the PAC.

Asked Fatmata for some clarity about the conversation that Councilmember Luedtke had with Fatmata.

- Fatmata confirmed for the Board that at no time does the Executive Director speak for the Board unless directed by the Board to represent the Board. Questions around policing would be brought to the PAB Chair and or Vice Chair

7. Announcements

Summary:

- National Night Out is scheduled for August 1, 2023 (between 3-10pm)
 - The PAB may want to have a table or attend different community specific festivities on that night
 - Fatmata will look into equipment like Tents, Tablecloths, Flyer, Pens etc...
- Several PAB members attended the Sunday, May 21, 2023 “Public Safety Day” at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds, and got to connect with the community and the many law enforcement agencies who attended
 - The PAB may want to have a table at this event in 2024 if it continues
- Fatmata wanted to add some additional staff report topics for PAB awareness
 - PAB Staff is still waiting on language from OCA that could be presented to Council, amending legislation, that would add a dollar amount to pay Trial Board members
 - The Board requested the language be shared with the Board prior to transmission to Council

8. Adjournment

Bishop Walker, Chair

Next PAB Meeting: Thursday, June 15, 2023 (7pm-9pm)

In Person Location:

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Virtual via Zoom link