



MEETING MINUTES

Police Accountability Board (PAB)
Thursday, February 15, 2024
Gwendolyn E. Coffield Community Recreation Center
2450 Lyttonsville Road, Conference Room, Silver Spring, MD 20910
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Virtual: [Zoom Link to Register](#)

Attendees: Bishop Walker (Chair), Ken Kellner (Vice Chair), Alicia Hudson, George Lluberes (Parliamentarian), Alvin McCray, Katharine “Kate” Manning, Chris Zatrutz, Chuck Williams, Fatmata Barrie (*staff*), Laura Byers (*staff, minute taker*)

Absent Members: Shelly Brown (Special Legal Counsel)

of General Public (nonmember) Attendees: 1

1. Call to Order

Summary:

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

2. Approval of 2/1/2024 Minutes and Action Items and 2/15/2024 Agenda. Approved (5 Yes/0 No)

3. Staff Report

Summary:

The Executive Director provided an update on action items from the February 1st meeting and discussed the following:

- Discussed Senate Bill 608 - Year and a day rule. The testimony will be February 21, 2024.

Motion to change the order of business to Unfinished Business followed by Public Comments (8 Yes/0 No).

4. Unfinished Business

Motion for the PAB to support revisions in Appendix A for the Senate Bill 608 - Year and A Day). Members should review and submit edits to the Executive Directors' office by February 20. (8 Yes/0 No)

Reviewed the 9th recommendation and requested feedback:

1. "Year-and-a-Day Rule
2. Receipt of Complaints by Law Enforcement Agencies
3. Annual Report
4. Clarify the definition of a police officer
5. ACC to Recommend Training for Officers
6. Empower the ACC with subpoena power enforcement
7. Extend the 30-day ACC Review Period
8. State Agency for PAB and ACC Oversight
9. **Montgomery County PAB recommendation – To allow access/view of case file details by the PAB of cases adjudicated by the ACC. Requiring PAB members to submit an MPIA request would significantly delay the receipt of information needed to better understand trends and make recommendations to law enforcement. The PAB doesn't want to be custodians of file but limited access to evidentiary exhibits for viewing could prove to be most helpful.**
 - Recommendation: To allow access to review the evidence of records entirety examined by the ACC to reach the final decision. This will allow PAB members to establish trends and provide clarity.
 - Recommendation: To change the language to specify the requested information and establish the use. (Currently, the PAB receives the complaint forms, memos from law enforcement agencies, procedure history, alleged violation, and ACC opinion).
 - Question: What is the forum to identify trends viewed by the ACC that are not a violation of LEAs policy and procedures?
 - Members discussed how accessing the entirety of case information would assist the PAB in recommendations for policies and procedures.

Motion to reaffirm Thomas Pinder appointment to the Administrative Charging Committee. (8 Yes/0 No)

Motion to submit a proposal/request to the County Executive Office to have a 3rd party Information Technology software. (8 Yes/0 No)

Motion to have the Executive Director will review the budget and assess the possibility of obtaining 3rd party vendor and share with the PAB to assist with justifications.

5. Public Comments

6. New Business

There were no items discussed in the new business.

7. Announcements

The next PAB meeting is on March 7, 2024, at the White Oak Community Recreation Center on 1700 April Lane in Silver Spring, MD.

8. Adjournment

Bishop Paul Walker, Chair