



MEETING MINUTES

Police Accountability Board (PAB)

Thursday, January 4, 2024

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

*In-Person Location: Potomac Community Recreation Center
(11315 Falls Road, Potomac, MD 20814)*

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Virtual: [Zoom Link to Register](#)

Attendees: Bishop Walker (Chair), Ken Kellner (Vice Chair), Alicia Hudson, Chuck Williams, Alvin McCray, Katharine “Kate” Manning, Shelly Brown (Special Legal Counsel), Fatmata Barrie (*staff*), Laura Byers *staff, minute taker*)

Members Absent: Chris Zatrutz, George Lluberes (Parliamentarian)

of General Public (nonmember) Attendees: 2

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 12/14/2023 Minutes and Action Items and 1/4/2024 Agenda. Approved (7 Yes/0 No)

3. Staff Report

Summary:

Staff provided the December 2023 Complaint report which can be viewed at [PAB December 2023 Report.pdf \(montgomerycountymd.gov\)](#).

The Executive Director acknowledged and announced appreciation of the PAB member's contributions and dedication to assisting with the completion of the 2023 Annual Report allowing headquarters to meet the due date of December 31, 2023.

4. Public Comments

Announced: Discussed the CIT Bill 43-23 January 16 @ 1:30 pm. The bill partners police officers with clinicians and dispatches them to mental health 911 calls. The public member expressed concerns about the quantity and availability of clinicians and believed there would be an economic impact with the use of DHHS, SAMSHA, and other organizations.

5. Unfinished Business

Ad-hoc Committees:

Action Item: Create an ad hoc for CIT Bill 43-23 with Ken, Kate, Alicia, and Chuck. To include how the LEAs observe police officers' mental health training or stress relief.

The Uniform Complaint ad hoc will reach out to PAB to coordinate/finalize the form and to the Dashboard Collection ad hoc so it's reflected on the dashboard.

6. New Business

Action Item: To send thank you and Annual report to organizations that participated in the PAB Listening Tour. (Listening Tour ad hoc)

Action Item: To submit questions directed to LEAs from the Listening Tour for the 1st Quarterly Chiefs meeting.

Action Item: To gradually rotate new PAB members into the Listening Tour ad hoc and publicize information on PAB website and social media platforms.

7. Announcements

The Chair discussed the following 8 recommendations Alicia, Ken, and George ad hoc to review the 9th recommendation submitted by PAB member.

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

Recommendation: That the PAB receive the entire evidentiary file reviewed by the ACC in its adjudication of the complaints. The PAB's full access to the entire file of evidence is essential as the enabling legislation calls for the PAB to examine and note any patterns of officer conduct that are of concern apparent from the ACC adjudicated decisions. The PAB has requested access to the BWC footage, and other exhibits, where there have been questions needing clarity. The PAB should not have to resort to an MPIA request, incurring cost and protracted time, in order to access this information. The PAB needs full access to all evidence reviewed in order to make cogent and well-informed opinions regarding officer conduct. The PAB may find areas of concern that, while not rising to the level of Violation of training procedures, nonetheless present a matter of legitimate concern for the community, and thus are areas meriting improvement.

Action Item: To inquire about reserving a table at the MLK celebration events at BlackRock Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday, January 13. (Vice-Chair and PAB staff).

8. Adjournment

Bishop Paul Walker, Chair