



CITIZEN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

Community Oversight of Portland Police Bureau

City of Portland / City Auditor
Independent Police Review (IPR)
Citizen Review Committee (CRC)

Minutes

Date: Wednesday, September 3, 2014 (meetings are typically held the first Wednesday of each month)

Time: 5:30 pm * *Please Note: agenda times are approximate*

Location: **Eli Whitney Room, Charles Jordan Community Center**, 9009 N. Foss Ave. Portland OR 97204

Present: David Denecke, Jamie Troy, Mae Wilson, Jean Tuller, Roberto Rivera, Jeff Bissonnette, James Young, Constantin Severe, Irene Konev Dave Famous, Jeff Bell, David Knight, Angelo Turner, Dan Handelman, Carolyn Marshman, Nancy Newell, Bernardino Delatorre

Absent: Rodney Paris, Bridget Donegan, David Green

AGENDA

5:30 pm—5:45 pm Introductions and Welcome (CRC Vice Chair David Denecke)
Approved of August, 2014 Meeting Minutes

5:45 pm—6:00 pm Director's Report (IPR Director Constantin Severe)

- IPR is recruiting 5 new CRC members for a 3-year term. Application deadline is October 30
- IPR Outreach Coordinator Irene Konev attended Say Hey Northwest, Women in IT, Portland Metro Advisory Committee, Race talks Forum at Kennedy School, and posted flyers for tonight's meeting
- Ms. Wilson, Chair Paris, and Director Severe went to on KBOO and had a discussion on CRC recruitments
- Feedback from the community: People would like Officers to get out of their vehicle and try to engage with the community more

6:00 pm—6:15 pm Chair's Report (CRC Chair Rodney Paris)

- Chair Paris is sick and unable to attend the meeting

6:15 pm—6:30 pm New Business

1) Update on the DOJ settlement

- Judge Simon accepted the settlement and the whole agreement will take effect this Friday
- As a part of the settlement, CRC is now required to complete an appeal within 21 days
- IPR is working with BTS to give CRC remote access to review the case files
- Director Severe will propose some code changes in front of council to meet the DOJ 21 days' timeline
- Regarding remote access for CRC members, Director Severe had a meeting with the City's Chief Technology Officer Ben Berry last week and was reassured that it is doable
- Sensitive medical records will not be accessible via remote access
- Ms. Tuller asked if Director Severe can give the Committee some examples of things that have a direct impact in the 21 day' time line?
 - Currently the best case scenario for CRC appeal takes around 90 days which includes the 30 days appeal time line, case file review, and appeal hearing
 - One of the possible ways to meet the deadline is having a panel of 5 or 6 CRC members hear an appeal
- Mr. Denecke asked if there's a time line to introduce the code changes

- The code changes will be in front of City Council this coming October or early November
- Mr. Denecke asked Director Severe what would happen if the CRC appeal takes longer than 21 days?
 - If any part of the investigation process take longer than it should be, CRC and IPR will need to provide an explanation
- Mr. Troy thinks it is too demanding for the Committee to stay strictly within 21 days and he would like to discuss this issue with folks over at the DOJ and will report back to the Committee. The concept of having a panel of 5 or 6 Committee members is not a favorite solution based on the conversation that Mr. Troy had with several CRC members in the past. Having as many members as possible to hear an appeal help create a broad perspective and is a good use of the Committee's time
- Ms. Tuller suggested starting a discussion via email between the Director and CRC members
- Director Severe said that the code changes he is proposing is very minimal
- Mr. Denecke also asked Director Severe to provide the list of codes that needed to be changed in the discussion email
- Mr. Bissonnette would like to make sure the files being shown to the CRC via remote access will be the same as the files that the fact finders look at
- Mr. Troy asked Director Severe if there's any discussion within PPB and IPR to determine which material is appropriate and which is not in the files?
 - Since the unrelated police report case, the practice has been not to include anything that is not a part of the "fuller" investigation. The process IPR worked out with IA is that the appeal CDs created by IA will have the same materials that were sent to the commander making the findings on the case
- Mr. Troy expressed some concerns that more information about the complainant was included in the case files versus less information about the officer. He would like to make sure there are future communication going on in this regard

6:30 pm—6:45 pm Old Business

- Mr. Bissonnette had a discussion with Captain Famous regarding using PRB members as APAs for CRC appeal. Mr. Bissonnette, Mr. Green, and Ms. Tuller will continue the discussion with Captain Famous to see if they can move the issue along
- Captain Famous informed the Committee that the juvenile custody directive is still at the Chief's office.
- Mr. Troy made a motion to conduct an appeal hearing for case file 2013-C-0030/2013-X-0005. This was seconded by Mr. Young
- Mr. Rivera: Yes
- Mr. Troy: Yes
- Mr. Bissonnette: Yes
- Ms. Tuller: Yes
- Mr. Denecke: Yes
- Mr. Roberto: Yes
- Ms. Wilson: Yes
- Mr. Young: yes

6:45 pm—7:05 pm Workgroup Updates: Please provide the following information —

- 1) Brief summary of the goals and objectives of your workgroup
- 2) Date of last meeting
- 3) Brief summary of the work done at your last meeting
- 4) Next scheduled meeting

- 5) Main topic to be discussed/addressed at the next meeting
- 6) Any assistance from IPR or CRC needed to achieve your goals

ACTIVE WORKGROUPS

1. Crowd Control Workgroup (5 min.)

MISSION STATEMENT: The Crowd Control Workgroup examines existing crowd control policies, training, and tactics of the Portland Police Bureau, reviews crowd control best practices, legal standards and other information, and makes appropriate recommendations.

Chair: Rodney Paris / Members: David Denecke and Jamie Troy

IPR Staff: Derek Reinke, Senior Management Analyst

- The workgroup still working on the recommendations and is hoping to send them over to the Police Bureau as soon as possible

2. Outreach Workgroup (5 min.)

MISSION STATEMENT: The Outreach Workgroup, in coordination with the IPR Outreach Coordinator, identifies and continually conducts consistent outreach to neighborhood associations, community organizations, and business groups to make the general public aware of the existence of the Citizen Review Committee and its role in police oversight.

Members: Jeff Bissonnette, Jamie Troy, Mae Wilson, and Bridget Donegan

IPR staff: Irene Konev, Community Outreach Coordinator

- The workgroup had a discussion with Ms. Konev on future CRC meetings in the community
- Next CRC meeting will be at the Rosewood Initiative
- The workgroup is actively looking for potential meeting spaces for next year
- The workgroup would like to set the CRC meetings in the community for next year by this October – early November

3. Recruitment, Retention and Promotion (Portland Police Bureau) (5 min.)

MISSION STATEMENT: The Recruitment, Retention and Promotion Workgroup examines existing policies and practices of the Portland Police Bureau in recruiting, retaining and promoting its members, and formulates policy recommendations where needed.

Chair: Vacant/ Members: James Young

IPR staff: Anika Bent-Albert, Assistant Director

4. Recurring Audit (5 min.)

MISSION STATEMENT: The Recurring Audit Workgroup seeks to improve accountability of IPR and the Portland Police Bureau by reviewing closed cases to ensure procedures, policies and protocols are followed and will recommend improvements, if necessary.

Chair: Jeff Bissonnette / Members: Jean tuller, and Rodney Paris

IPR staff: Derek Reinke, Senior Management Analyst

- The workgroup will schedule a meeting soon

5. Use of Deadly Force Workgroup (5 min.)

MISSION STATEMENT: The Use of Deadly Force Workgroup examines Portland Police Bureau use of deadly force policies, directives, training and implementation in order to recommend and support any needed change in Portland Police Bureau use of deadly force.

Chair: David Denecke / Members: James Young, and David Green

IPR Staff: Derek Reinke, Senior Management Analyst

- Met with OHSU Director of Safety and discussed their use of force directive. Mr. Denecke will schedule another meeting soon

7:05 pm—7:30 pm Public comment and wrap-up comments by CRC members

- Ms. Newell would like to come to Use of Deadly Force workgroup to talk about her de-escalation team
- Mr. Handelman made several comments:
 - 3 out of the 4 current APA are from the original CRC members, which was a long time ago
 - He also urged the Committee to look into changing the code related to CRC's quorum since there are now more members on the committee

7:30 pm

Adjournment

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CRC Members:

1. If you know you will not be able to attend a CRC meeting or that you will be missing a significant amount of a meeting, please call or e-mail IPR in advance so that the CRC Chair may be made aware of your expected absence.
2. After this meeting, please return your folder so IPR staff can use it for document distribution at the next CRC meeting.

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