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May 7, 1975

POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Police Community Relations Committee met at the Albina Action Center, 707 N. E. Knott, May 6, 1975, at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were:

John Roe, Attorney
Al Green, Chairman, Woodlawn Improvement Association
Norm Monroe, PCR, Portland Police Bureau
William Talbert, Community Services, Seattle
Darnell Lowery, MHRC
Joyce Lowery
William Jackson, Chairman PCR Committee
Charles Carter, AAC
Kal Szekely, MHRC
Marlene Bayless, MHRC Chairperson
Jim Unthank
Robert Lowe
Sandra Williams
Vern Summers, MHRC Director

The major discussion focused on the actions concerning the Portland Police Bureau in the Model Neighborhood. The purpose of the meeting was to prepare a draft of the firearm policy to present to the Police Bureau for adoption. After comments by several participants of this committee, some recommendations were made whereby communication should be coming from the Police Bureau into communities; for example, notices to the community regarding precinct meetings. Norm Monroe stated that he felt it was their job to bring about better police community relations to the community and that public notices concerning precinct meetings would be helpful to the PCR Department.

Most of the group felt that it was bad timing to the part of the police to be concerned about shotguns being placed in police vehicles. Bill Talbert, Community Services Division, Seattle, inquired whether any studies had been done in other cities where shotguns were placed in police vehicles, and how many deaths occurred before and after it took place. Captain Taylor replied that there were some studies done, and they indicated there were less deaths caused by officers using shotguns.

The Portland policy was discussed, and it was felt that it was too general and needed to be expanded. The model from Kansas City, Missouri was used by the Committee as a guide. In reviewing the draft prepared by MHRC staff, using most of the Kansas City policy and a portion of the Police Bureau's policy, the Committee will study it, make notes, and meet within one week.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



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MEMO

TO: Vern Summers

May 8, 1975

FROM: Marlene Bayless MB

As a result of the meeting of the Police Community Relations Committee on May 6, it occurs to me that there are several items of information that would be helpful for the Committee to obtain. I would appreciate it if you would attempt to get this information. It would be helpful to have a schedule of the precinct council meetings for each of the three precincts; the commanding officer of each precinct should be able to give you this information or Sergeant Potter, public information officer of the bureau. While you are obtaining the schedule would you please obtain a list of members of the precinct council for each of the three precincts, and if possible the address and phone number of each of these members. In addition, I would like to have the names of the police officers who have been victims of shootings in the last two years in the City of Portland, including any fatalities. It would also be helpful as we look at the proposed firearms policy to have access to statistics on the use of the shotgun in other cities. This information is usually kept by the FBI; an inquiry directed to them or to Sid Lezak's office might produce this information. Try to look at cities that have close to the same population number and racial makeup as Portland.

The proposed police firearm policy that you distributed at the meeting as coming from the Human Relations Commission should have no further distribution until reference is made to the fact that it is the Kansas City firearm policy and changes are made to language that is specific to Kansas City and not applicable to Portland; for example, the term Operation 100 on page four.

I thought that the meeting ended on a positive note and hope that Mr. Talbot from Region 10 Justice can meet with us again at the meeting of May 13. Also I would think it would be helpful to have someone from the Urban League's Police Community Relations Committee meet with us and the people from NCCJ, Harper Richardson and Mary Edwards. I assume that you have been in contact with Ellis and would hope that NAACP would send a representative to the meeting of May 13 as well as the Albina Ministerial Alliance and the Model Cities Planning Board.

Thanks for your help on these matters.

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May 20, 1975

Mr. Robert Lamb, Jr.
Regional Director
Community Relations
U. S. Department of Justice
503 Logan Building
Seattle, Washington 98101

Dear Bob:

The Metropolitan Human Relations Commission would like to express its sincere thanks for your assistance in easing tensions in the Portland minority community. Your recommendations regarding the change in the Portland Police Bureau's firearm policy was indeed timely and was considered by several minority organizations in the Portland area.

The Police Community Relations Committee met at 7:00 plm. on May 13 and voted to recommend to Chief Bruce Baker the adoption of a firearm policy based on the model presented by your office.

The time that you and your staff spent in Portland with minority groups and City, County, and Federal officials is to be commended. The philosophy of the Community Service Division is really the way to go about doing things in times of crisis. As you know, the City of Portland was facing a crisis during the time you were here. Due to many phone conversations and meetings we have had, especially concerning training for crisis situations, I would be very happy if you and your staff would conduct a training session to apprise us of some of your techniques. As per our phone conversation, you indicated that you did not foresee any problems in conducting a training session. The earliest schedule possible would be appreciated.

I will be looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Vernon Summers Director





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May 23, 1975

BUREAU OF POLICE

NEIL GOLDSCHMIDT MAYOR

B. R. BAKER CHIEF OF POLICE

222 S.W. PINE PORTLAND, OR. 97204 George Allen, Chairman, Albina Coalition % Vern Summers, Director, Metro. Human Rel. Comm. 410 City Hall Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mr. Allen:

Enclosed is the information you requested as per the Coalition conversation with Chief Baker and Mayor Gold-schmidt.

- 1. Joseph Hopkins was killed October 8, 1974 at S.W. 5th and Morrison. Officer Bruce Harrington assigned: Central Precinct.
- 2. Kenny Allen was killed October 26, 1974 at 4606 N. Congress. Officer Edward May and Officer John Wren assigned: Special Investigations Division.
- 3. Charles Menefee was killed November 20, 1974 at
 N. Williams and San Rafael. Three officers returned
 fire; Kerry Taylor: East Precinct, Aaron Harvey:
 Central Precinct, and Sgt. Easterday: Milwaukie P.D.
 It is believed fatal shots were fired by Kerry Taylor.
- 4. Ricky Johnson was killed March, 1975 at N. Gautenbien. Officer Kenneth Sanford assigned: North Precinct.

In reference to where the officers are presently assigned, all the officers are assigned to the Precincts identified. No officer is assigned to the Albina Community.

Sincerely,

CAPTAIN WILLIAM S. TAYLOR

Commander,

Police Community Relations



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June 9, 1975

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MINUTES OF POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The Police Community Relations Committee met at 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 5, 1975, in the MHRC office. In attendance were:

William Jackson
Rev. Richard Hughes
Julie Sterling
Marlene Bayless
Capt. William Taylor
Ofc. Arnie Gerardo
Rev. Harper Richardson
Vern Summers
Kal Szekely

The meeting was called at the request of Capt. Taylor for the purpose of explaining police procedures so that the Commission could develop a better understanding of how the Police Bureau operates.

Capt. Taylor reported that Chief Baker had called a staff meeting to discuss the Kansas City firearm policy. He stated that the policy itself may be changed but doubted it would contain the exact wording of the Kansas City Policy. One exception would be the portion regarding age. This is not likely to be adopted. Arnie Gerardo felt it was not necessary to include this clause. Capt. Taylor said almost everyone agreed that the policy should not mention age.

Rev. Richardson expressed concern about an item in the police "Rap Sheet" pertaining to citizens pointing shotguns at police officers. Discussion followed. Julie Sterling felt the "shoot to stop" issue was important and that the public had a right to know whether the police were trained to shoot and should be made aware that to point a shotgun at a policeman could have fatal results. Officer Gerardo commented that officers are trained to use weapons as a last resort—more to their discretion. Capt. Taylor stated that most policemen feel if someone is armed and poses a threat to an officer's life, he would rather shoot, as long as all other possibilities have been considered. In response to Rev. Richardson's question as to whether deadly force is used, Capt. Taylor replied that there are a number of alternatives; however, it is a matter of an armed person getting away.

One area of disagreement was the subject of suspension of duties. It was generally agreed that the officers should be relieved from duty.

Marlene asked Capt. Taylor whether he had any idea what would develop regarding policy. He replied that the matter would go before the precinct council and felt that the Kansas City policy would be adopted, with the exception of the statement on age (although the wording would probably not be the same).

A proposed shotgun policy has been submitted to Chief Baker for his review. Capt. Taylor explained the current shotgun procedure. Copies of the proposed policy were distributed for review. Capt. Taylor's personal opinion was that he does not favor the use of shotguns in police vehicles because of the accident factor. Marlene felt there was no evidence that shotguns mounted in police vehicles would be an effective deterrent. Capt. Taylor said that if an officer gets into a situation where there will be gunfire, they want the officer to be protected. Rev. Hughes stressed the importance of gun control and said that Portland should have a local gun control ordinance. Marlene said the argument in favor of gun control is due to a major portion of gun deaths relating to family fights, etc. Discussion followed regarding illegal weapons already in existence. Capt. Taylor said that police officers felt more confident and their chances were much better with a shotgun when faced with a situation where they would have to fire. There was concern as to when and how shotguns will be carried, rather than when they would be used.

There will be another PCR committee meeting Thursday, June 12 to discuss the proposed shotgun policy and make recommendations.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

BUREAU OF POLICE PORTLAND, OREGON

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date: 10 June 1975

To:

Deputy Chief Philip L. Smith

Field Operations

From: Captain Norman F. Reiter

North Precinct

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Subject: TRAFFIC PROBLEM

NE Ainsworth - - 19th to 23rd

Sir:

Mr. Vern Summers notified me of a serious traffic problem that has occasioned many calls to his office. People involved with the mushball games at Alberta Park are parking on the traffic islands that are located in the middle of Ainsworth Street. As a result, the street becomes completely blocked and residents are unable to get to their homes.

Mr. Summers recommends that the area be posted "No Parking". This seems the logical way to meet the problem on a short term basis.

On a long term basis the City should consider providing adequate parking at the City parks.

Would your office do the following:

- 1. Determine Traffic Division's position;
- 2. Determine Park Bureau position;
- 3. Arrange for proper posting.

Respectfully,

Captain N. F. Reiter Commanding, North Precinct

Mr. Vern Summers cc: Mr. Dale Christensen Captain M. Hulett

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BUREAU OF POLICE PORTLAND, OREGON

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date: 10 June 1975

To: Vern Summers

Director, Human Relations Bureau

410 City Hall, Bldg. 131

From: Captain Norman

North Precinct

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMS

Reiter

Bldg. #126

Subject: Potentially Dangerous Gambling Situations

North Precinct is now faced with two gambling situations that pose a danger of violation should the police move to disperse the games. The most dangerous location is on NE Alberta St. from 10th to 17th. A second location is the traditional gambling about NE 7th and Fremont. Both locations reflect attendance of as high as two hundred people. Street are blocked with numerous complaints from drivers and neighborhood residents.

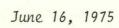
I am most interested in any comments you have relative to this situation or any solutions you might advance. Your relationship with area organizations would be valuable in securing the positions and support of these groups.

I cannot overstate the inherent dangers in these situations. In the early 1960's, such a situation led to two days of violence and several arsons about Irving Park.

cc: Dep. Ch. Smith

Captain Taylor, PCR Captain Fontana, SID

Copy to Bie Jackson





BUREAU OF POLICE NEIL GOLDSCHMIDT MAYOR

B. R. BAKER CHIEF OF POLICE

222 S.W. PINE PORTLAND, OR. 97204 Vern Summers Metropolitan Human Relations Commission City Hall Portland, Oregon



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMS.

Dear Mr. Summers:

Enclosed please find copies of the Preliminary Plan of the Participative Management Program at North Precinct discussed at my meeting with the Albina Coalition. The program requests input from both the officers and the community.

Keep in mind that the Plan was written in April and several areas have progressed, in particular the Precinct Council has formed and meets monthly.

We are developing the final plan and will be happy to provide you with copies. Please do not hesitate to call on me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Capt. Norman F. Reiter Commanding North Precinct

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Participative Management Program

North Precinct
Portland Police Bureau

Preliminary Plan April 25, 1975

> Capt. Norman F. Reiter Jeanne McCormick

BUREAU OF POLICE PORTLAND, OREGON

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date: April 25, 1975

To: Chief Baker

(Through Channels)

From: Captain Reiter

Subject:

Introduction

The Participative Management Program at North Precinct began in January, 1975 and is divided into two phases - community participation and officer input into the planning process.

A Planner is on loan from the Impact Program to facilitate and coordinate both phases of the Participative Management Program. A PRC I lends clerical support.

Following is a progress report on the Program, with an indication of the projects being developed and to be proposed. In May a more comprehensive plan will be submitted that will have an analysis of crime trends in North Precinct, a socio-economic sketch of the three large geographical areas of the Precinct and a biographical sketch of the officers working in this Precinct. Included will be final proposals from some of the Officer Committees and progress reports from others. Evaluation will also be addressed.

AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

North Precinct is divided into three geographical areas, generally based on the three high school boundaries. See attachment. These areas also include certain common socio-economic factors. Citizen Committees representing these areas have been formed to discuss with the Precinct Command mutual problems in the geographical areas and to determine alternative solutions. Each of the three lieutenants is assigned to coordinate an Area Committee.

The Precinct has tried to involve citizens who either live or work in the area. They may represent neighborhood associations, local service clubs, or themselves. We have not solicited people who might represent government agencies, or private social agencies from outside the area. However, the Crime Prevention Bureau has been invited to attend, and has done so.

There has been some pressure from neighborhood associations for the Area Committees to become part of their structure. This has been resisted as the Precinct Command feels:

- 1. The Associations don't represent the majority of the population,
- in many cases they're oriented politically toward federal projects, and
- their meetings are not long enough for us to have an adequate segment of their agenda.

Several chairpersons of associations attend the Area Committee Meetings on a regular basis, and the Precinct has tried to have representatives at association meetings. All of the neighborhood associations have attended our meetings. They are:

Boise Citizens Improvement Committee
Boise Neighborhood Association
Concordia Community Association
Concordia College Community Association
Eliot Neighborhood Development Association
Humboldt Neighborhood Program Organization
Irvington Community Association
King Improvement Association
Neighbors North
North Portland Citizens Committee
Piedmont Neighborhood Association
Sabin Community Association
Vernon Neighborhood Association
Woodlawn Improvement Association

Other groups involved have been:

Columbia Boys Club Kenton Business Men Peninsula Optimists St. Johns Boosters

The Area Committees have been meeting for four months, and are just beginning to be effective. It took awhile for the meetings to be publicized enough, and for the same people to attend more than one meeting.

Major areas of concern expressed by citizens have been:

- Community crime prevention, getting neighbors to assist each other and the police when something suspicious occurs;
- Finding ways to divert youth from crime to constructive activity, reducing juvenile vandalism and theft;
- Teenagers Against Drug Abuse, T.A.D.A., counseling teenagers with drug related problems, helping them get out of drugs, warning others of the dangers of drugs;

- Finding alternative life styles for and helping younger prostitutes;
- Better lighting in high crime areas;
- Improving dangerous intersections near grade schools;
- Police placing priorities on calls;
- Minority police recruiting;
- Park Patrol, a patrol car assigned to keep down problems in parks during summer months;
- Necessity for realistic job training: apprenticeship programs;
- Dangerously small capacity at J.D.H., necessity for providing detention for juveniles;
- Availability of Boise School for community use;
- Diversion Program;
- Daylight burglaries of empty homes.

The meetings are also intended to gain input from the community into the planning process of the Participative Management Program. This is difficult as the citizens must first understand the police process and problems they experience.

The Adams Area Committee has a small, but varied representation from the community. Their main concerns are crime prevention.

The Roosevelt Committee has a fairly large attendance and their interests are in the juvenile population in St. Johns. This interest is both in terms of delinquency and recreational services. The Precinct's Commercial Crime Prevention Officer, Mike Wherity, has attended these meetings and has provided valuable information. He is now attending other Committee meetings. At the last Roosevelt meeting Officer John Larkin was present and helped to provide some very good dialogue as to the problems patrol officers face. The Jefferson Area Committee has had the largest community representation. Their main concern is young prostitutes in the area.

The meetings have been beneficial in that the police and community are sitting down together on a continuous basis to rationally discuss mutual problems.

Plans for the future months include:

- 1. Providing an opportunity for district patrol officers to attend the Area Meetings.
- 2. Arranging small meetings between patrol officers and community leaders throughout the Precinct, and particularly in the black community.
- 3. Gaining written support from the Area Committees for new projects in the Participative Management Program.

PRECINCT COUNCIL

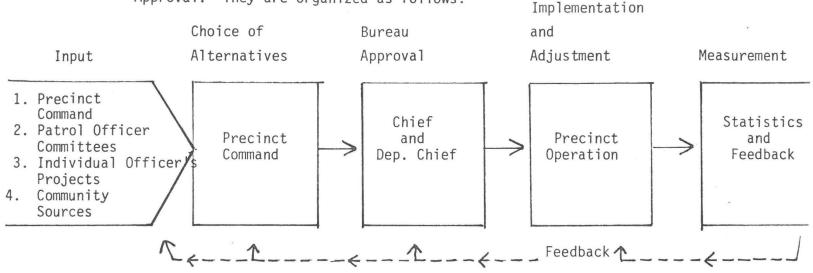
The Precinct Council has not yet been formed. The Command has been waiting for the Area Committees to solidify before asking for Council representatives to be elected. After four meetings the Committees have stabilized enough to do this. That is, the attendees are now remaining constant and key problems are being identified.

At the upcoming meetings the lieutenants will ask members to elect two representatives from each Area Committee to sit on the Precinct Council. It is intended that at-large members will consist of an attorney, a CPA, a student, and the Director of the Youth Service Centers as well as others not yet identified. By May 15, 1975, members of the Precinct Council will be identified and the first meeting will be held May 20, 1975 at the Precinct. Meetings will be held monthly. The Council will act as an Advisory Board to the Precinct Commander.

OFFICER PARTICIPATION

The Precinct originally adopted the Tuesday Plan as the basic means for officer input to the Program. Time is spent in committee work as one part of the three step decision-making process at the Precinct level. During the summer months the Tuesday Plan will not be in operation. Committees will meet on a regular basis for two hours, twice a month.

The three steps are Input, Choice of Alternatives and Bureau Approval. They are organized as follows:



Implementation and Adjustment and Measurement, based on Feedback will be the basis for further decision-making.

The Input Phase is the most critical and involves four basic components.

<u>First</u>, the Command structure still, where necessary, introduces information to the Precinct. This allows involvement of Bureau and Precinct statistics and policies.

<u>Second</u>, the Patrol Officers have selected areas of interest and formed committees, and are formulating solutions to identified problems. Their committees have identified a variety of problems in all phases of the street operation. Officers themselves determined the nature of the committees. They are in the process of documenting identified problems and are proposing alternative solutions.

Precinct Command utilizes extant committees to "staff" problems involving the committees' areas of interest.

<u>Third</u>, individual officers can submit projects into the Program.

<u>Fourth</u>, are the community sources, previously identified.

To date six active committees have been formed. These are the:

Daily Bulletin Committee

Firearms Committee

Traffic Safety Enforcement Committee

Vehicle Committee

Building Committee

Legislative Committee

Other, less active groups are the Training and Operations Committees. The Training Committee will soon begin to put together a training package for next year. Another new committee has formed that is as yet unnamed.

Following is a description of each committee and the projects they are involved in.

Daily Bulletin Committee

Officers have stated a need to have current crime information readily available. The Committee researched the various types of information available and what officers would like to have that is not now available. The initial result is a Precinct Daily Bulletin that gives each officer crime data occurring within the last 24 hours. See attached sample.

The information is taken from copies of crime reports as they come from the street. It is categorized by district and time of occurance, complainant information, suspect description, M.O., and a description

of items taken. Individual officers also submit compilations of suspect information. This is the only collected recent crime data officers have copies of in their car (other than stolen vehicle information). This is available to all officers daily as they go on their shifts.

The bulletin seems to have worked well and the Committee is working on a proposal to have the bulletin available bureau-wide. The proposal is in draft form and the Committee is waiting for final cost estimates.

Firearms Committee

This Committee is investigating the feasibility of a 9mm automatic as an on-duty weapon. As a corollary the Committee will also consider use of the 9mm automatic as a non-uniform and off-duty weapon. The primary basis of this investigation would be the use and subsequent critique of this weapon by approximately five uniform officers. Officers would use either a Smith & Wesson Model 39 or 59.

A pre-requisite to participation in the project would be a minimum score of 80 in qualification with either a model 39 or 59.

At this time the Committee is researching 40 other police departments that now use these weapons. Many of the cities have responded and Committee members are compiling information.

Traffic Safety Enforcement Committee

This Committee will explore alternatives to handling the traffic violator. The main purpose will be to engage in a study to determine whether or not issuance of citations keeps the accident rate down.

Instead of officers being required to attain a suggested minimum number of moving violations, officers would use their professional discretion and in most cases issue a written or verbal warning. Certain violators would be exempt from this procedure.

Traffic statistics have been compiled from July, 1974 through December, 1974. The suggested test period would be July through December, 1975. The Committee is in the process of researching other similar programs and in compiling additional statistics.

Vehicle Committee

This Committee was formed because of serious problems with the state of repair of police cars and the number available at any one time. The Committee has identified specific problem areas and is in the process of collecting data to substantiate these problems. This will result in a proposal being written asking for general maintenance of the vehicles to be done in St. Johns. The Committee will then look at other vehicle problems.

Building Committee

This Committee was formed to identify physical problems of the Precinct. The Committee is working with the Facilities Management Office to finalize blueprints for a proposed precinct remodeling. The Committee's first priority is to develop a proposal for a new precinct.

Legislative Committee

Recently established is a Legislative Committee which will research bills now before the legislature. The Committee is working with Dave Edstrom to testify at hearings. Those bills are:

- HB 2929 Permits photographing and fingerprinting of juveniles in certain circumstances.
- HB 3007 Assault with injury to policemen and firemen would be assault in the second degree.
- SB 852 Provides a minimum term of imprisonment for certain felonies.
- SB 705 Decreases grounds for placing juveniles in training schools.

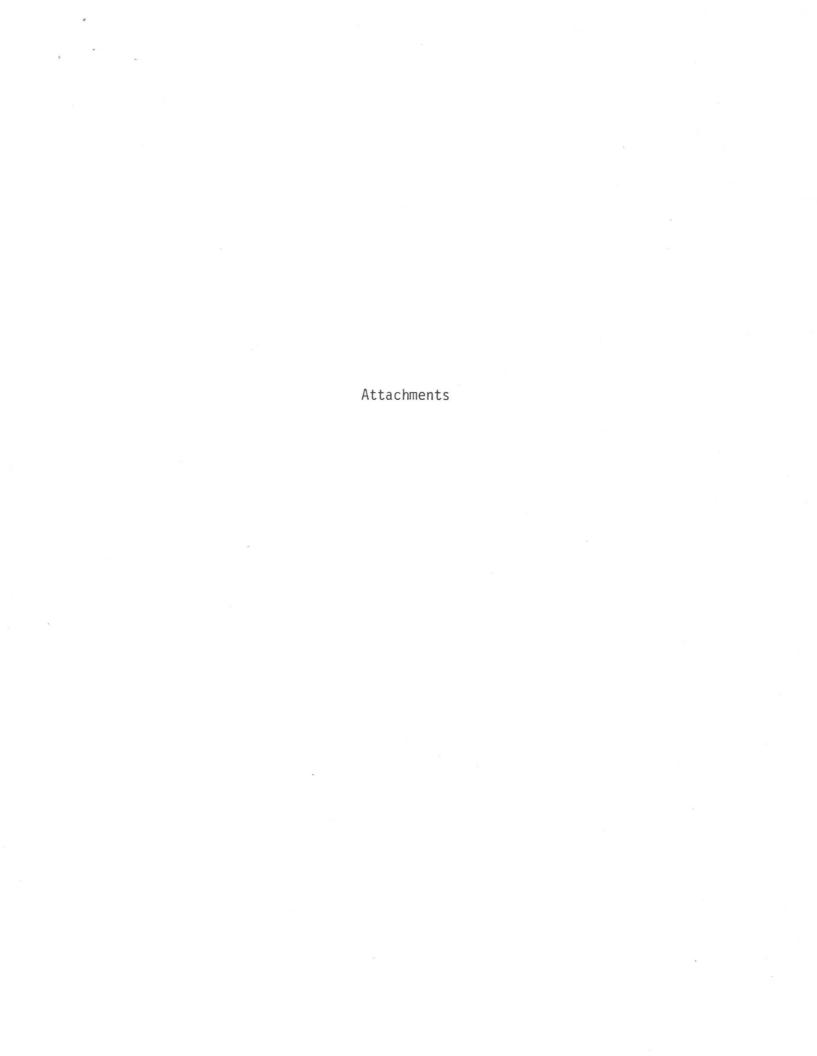
The Training and Operations Committees are not yet very active. A re-scheduling of the training day will give these Committees more opportunity to function.

The new Committee that is as yet unnamed has had only one meeting. The goal however is "to make the public and our police administration aware of the growing concern among policemen as a group, of the lack of support received, and of the passive attitude by officers that lack of support causes during routine street patrol." The Committee would like to increase Ride-Along participation by adult citizens and business owners and increase crime prevention efforts. The Committee is also interested in proposing a statement on procedures to be followed when an officer is involved in a shooting incident.

Crime Victim Notification Project

This project was advocated by Officer Henry Groepper. It proposes that victims be notified when an arrest has been made in their case or when their case is cleared by arrest in another case. It asks that clearance reports be sent to the Precinct as the method to notify victims. The Precinct Commander would then write a letter to the victim(s) notifying them of the arrest. A note will be sent to the patrol officer who initially responded to the call. This project has been fully developed and is awaiting approval by the Chief.

Officers will be working to finalize their proposals. Proposals will be submitted to the Chief's Office as they are ready or will be included in the final plan to be submitted May 30, 1975.





		TIME	DA	ILY BULLETIN	DATE 3-8-75	3-9-75	*
DIST. 520	CRIME B&E	LOCATION 18-2300 3-8 9457 N. Bristol #12	COMPLAINANT INFO. SCUDDER, Arthur B. W/M 11-24-47	SUSPECT INFO. SPRINGER, Jerry M/W 15 yrs 9457 N. Bristol #7 (manager's son, has been involved in pre. burgs.)	M.O. opened w/key	ITEMS TAKEN currency 1 radio, clock 1 tape deck, so	ny
520	Robb.	3-8-75 4707 N. Lombard	LUKE, Williams, n/m 3	uick 4 dr. Tan, regis. to 3-5-56, 541 NE Knott, 5'4" mis. warrant D83112, \$1005	Suspect entered Plaid Pantry on Lombard and looked into cash drawer as clerk rang up sale. Acted extremely suspiciously. Left with two more N/M's & one W/F. Delivery man came in & said he saw one of the N/M's holding gun on his lap. A few days prior Susag saw same veh. at Will. & John with lights off & running. Contained 3 N/M's Left scene immediately. Susag feels suspect & friends may be resp. for robberies in area.		
530	B&E	10pm-8am 3-6-3-7 2115 N. Lombard	CRABB, Martin W. M/W 4-7-13 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	none	broke window, ra	ansacked office curre	ency
540	B&E	5pm-12am 3-7 1635 NE Highland	BOGAN, Patricia Ann F/N 12-14-46 same add.	none	broke window	1 jewelry box	
540	B&E Attempt	11:15-11:30pm 6545 N. Campbell 3-7	CONNER, Mary K. F/W 6-29-52 same add.	FIESELER, Greg D. 6533 N. Campbell M/W 4-29-59	attempted to envictim was at he stopped in back arrested for bu	ome. Suspect yard. Previously	
540	car prowls	1-345am 3-8-75 Parking lot at 1025 NE Columbia	ALTERMATT, Miles M/W 6-8-12 TIME/DC	COLE, Kevin W/m, juv. lives in area, active car prowler.	8 veh. broken i drivers.	nto, all victims long-h	aul
540	Stabbing	245am 3-9 2114 NE Buffalo	SIMS, Jesse Lee M/N 4-3-39 2908 NE 11th	PALMER, Gary M/N 23 yrs 5'6"-5'8" 170 lbs. 4-5" Afro JOHNSON, Latrell M/N early 20's 5'9" 110 Poss. add. 9429 N. Wools			

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June 13, 1975

MINUTES -- POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Police Community Relations Committee met at 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 12, in the MHRC office for the purpose of discussing the proposed shotgun policy and making recommendations to the Commission. In attendance were:

William Jackson, Chairman Julie Sterling Keith Gowing Marlene Bayless Capt. William Taylor Norm Monroe Mary Edwards Kal Szekely Vern Summers Darnell Lowery

Mary Edwards suggested that a gun control ordinance be recommended by the Police Bureau to MHRC. Marlene Bayless replied that at the June 5 meeting, Rev. Hughes had also stressed the need for a local gun control ordinance. She also said it would be appropriate for Portland to be progressive and require licensing of hand guns with a fee plus certain limitations. Julie Sterling suggested there be a complete package to include establishing a fine for carrying concealed weapons. Nothing has been done to stop the flow of concealed weapons. Captain Taylor gave some interesting statistics on the soaring homicide rates. He said a Black male has one chance in twenty of being a homicide victim before reaching voting age. This is a much higher rate than for a White male. Capt. Taylor and Norm Monroe said the National Rifle Association is against any form of gun control. The NRA maintains that gun control would violate the rights of sportsmen. Discussion followed concerning procedures for the study of gun control laws, what requirements are necessary for a model ordinance, what position the committee will take, etc. Norm commented that gun control laws were recently passed in Washington, D. C., Boston, and the State of Massachusetts. Marlene felt that the more states assuming this posture, the more the Legislature will be moved to follow suit. She stated that in conducting a small survey (20 people), she had encountered no negative reaction to gun control. Capt. Taylor said Officer Maxey is discussing the proposed shotgun policy with the precinct councils.

Julie suggested the issue of a mini-precinct in the Albina area should be discussed and a position taken. Capt. Taylor related that this would be discussed at tonight's Black Coalition meeting and that the Mayor is in favor of relocating the precinct

to the Albina area. A motion passed directing the PCR committee to recommend to the Commission that a mini-precinct be established in the Model Cities area with the ultimate goal of establishing a full precinct in the future as funding will allow, provided there is community acceptance.

A motion passed recommending that MHRC request staff to present a report and recommendation on the proposed shotgun policy to the PCR committee one week prior to the July Commission meeting. The PCR committee will then recommend action to be taken by the Commission at the regular July meeting.

A motion passed recommending that the Commission request the staff to conduct research on gun control, to be submitted one week prior to the July Commission meeting. Marlene has material available dated to 1969 and suggested the committee write Senators Kennedy and Bayh for more recent information. She suggested that a meeting be scheduled next week with representatives from the Sheriff's Office, Police Bureau, Jacob Tanzer's office, Commissioner Clark, and Stan Peters. Norm Monroe volunteered his assistance.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.



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July 11, 1975

MINUTES -- POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Police Community Relations Committee met at 12:00 Noon, July 10, 1975, in the MHRC Office. Present were: William Jackson, Chairman; Richard Hughes, Marlene Bayless, Norm Monroe, Arnie Gerardo, Huntley Collins, and Vern Summers.

The committee met to review the following staff recommendations concerning the proposed shotgun policy:

- 1. That the Police Bureau adopt a comprehensive over-all firearms policy (similar to the policy proposed by the Commission in May 1975).
- 2. That a special policy, relating to shotguns and subject to public approval, be adopted by the Police Bureau -- such policy requiring a detailed, written report each time a shotgun is removed from its lock.
- 3. That the shotgun be secured in the vehicle in such a position so as not to be readily visible from outside the vehicle.
- 4. That officers be given detailed training in the safe use of shotguns.
- 5. That the proposal be reviewed in detail at the end of the first year of its implementation and that provision be made for subsequent reviews.

Norm Monroe felt the concerns as expressed were not consistent with the recommendations and that guidelines and restrictions should be established. Restrictions would include not using shotguns in crowd situations where there is threat of injury to innocent bystanders (as in riots, playgrounds, etc.). Marlene Bayless requested that Norm prepare recommendations on restrictions on the use of shotguns, which would be presented at the July Commission meeting.

Bill Jackson commented that recommendation #2 should read"....relating to shotguns and subject to <u>Commission</u> approval...." His question was, how is the Police Bureau going to obtain public approval. Richard Hughes asked to what extent might the function of MHRC be jeopardized by supporting the shotgun issue. He felt the real concerns are the questions of judgment and racism and that the credibility of MHRC is very important. Arnie Gerardo favored adoption of the recommendations without modification.

The Committee did not take a position on whether shotguns should be installed in police vehicles. The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.



21 July 1975

BUREAU OF POLICE

NEIL GOLDSCHMIDT MAYOR

B. R. BAKER CHIEF OF POLICE

222 S.W. PINE PORTLAND, OR. 97204 Mr. Vern Summers, Director Human Relations Commission City Hall Rm. 410 1220 SW 5th Avenue Portland, Oregon 97204



HUMAN RELATIONS COMMS.

Dear Vern,

The North Precinct Council Meeting representing your area of the city will be held on Thursday, July 31st, 1975 at the Albina Human Resources Center, 5022 North Vancouver Avenue, from 7:30pm to 9:30pm.

On the agenda for this month's meeting will be an audio-visual slide presentation by Officers Joe Murillo and Tony Newman on the Portland Police Bureau Minority Recruiting Program. Following the presentation there will be a question and answer session regarding the program and related topics.

Sincerely,

Captain Norman F. Reiter Commanding, North Precinct

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July 31, 1975

Committee to Retain the Women's Prison Project 5715 N. E. 19th Avenue Portland, Oregon 97211

Gentlemen:

Termination of the YWCA Women's Prison Project would deprive women in the Claire Argow Center of the chance to be rehabilitated in order that they may lead normal, productive lives.

The Project renders a valuable service, and I strongly urge that it be continued.

Sincerely,

Vernon Summers
Director

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cc: YWCA



July 21, 1975

Mr. Vern Summers Metropolitan Human Relations Commission City Hall, Room 208 Portland, Oregon 97201

Dear Mr. Summers:

We need your support to help save the YWCA Women's Prison Project. I'm sure that you are personally aware of the many reforms that are needed in regards to our system of criminal penalities and re-entry into society after rehabilitation. The Women's Prison Project provides housing, counseling, employment, education and training referrals to women in the Claire Argow Center.

We are now writing you because this needed service is being threatened with termination. Our concern is that the termination of the program is not based upon a lack of success, but perhaps a lack of willingness on the part of the host, the YWCA, to work through its growing pains. There have been charges of racism brought by the professional social worker of the project. It is our belief that this charge may be the basis for the YWCA's reluctance to continue a needed and successful project.

You've shown objectivity in the past, and are being asked to again put your oars in the waters of justice and pull hard with the rest of us.

Sincerely,

Jetie Wilds

COMMITTEE TO RETAIN THE YWCA

WOMEN'S PRISON PROJECT

Bettie Overton

COMMITTEE TO RETAIN THE YWCA WOMEN'S PRISON PROJECT

JUSTICE FOR WOMEN

THE WOMEN'S PRISON PROJECT is in danger of being terminated by a coming action of the Board of Director's of the Y.W.C.A on July 29, 1975.

If this program is disbanded, not only will women being served by the program suffer a great personal loss, but the community will lose an opportunity to help women who have been incarcerated, to readjust to the society they left.

THE WOMEN'S PRISON PROJECT is federally funded by the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, United Way, and the Y.W.C.A. It is a community based, human service program which provides counseling, employment, housing, medical, educational, and training referrals, and other social and psychological rebuilding services for female offenders for the readjustment and the re-entrance into society.

These services are provided at the Y.W.C.A. and the Claire Argow Center. (County Jail)

HELP MAINTAIN THIS VITAL COMMUNITY PROGRAM by writing letters of support to continue this program to:

Committee to Retain the Women's Prison Project 5715 N.E. 19th Avenue Portland, Oregon 97211

by Monday, 28 July 1975.

Your support letter will insure the continuation of this VITAL COMMUNITY PROJECT.

9/18/15 Stld Observer Police minority recruiters predict

"I believe there are as many competant, qualified Black individuals as their are in the general population," Officer Tony Newman, Minority Recruiter for the Portland Police Bureau said. With that in mind, he and Officer Joe Murillo have set out to recruit enough minority police to bring their number to approximately nine percent of the Police Bureau.

During their first year on the job, they have added six minority officers to the force. This puts them nearly on schedule for the eighty-four to be recruited in five years, and brings the Bureau total to twenty-nine.

The Police Bureau's minority recruiting efforts in the past have been a failure, leading many Blacks to believe the Bureau is not committed to minority hiring. Newman says this is not so, that the Bureau is now looking for minorities and that any minority person who passes the qualifications and can compete successfully with other candidates will be hired. The competition for available positions is stiff, with about eight percent of the candidates being hired, but Newman points out that the six minorities who were hired outscored other candidates. There are no special qualifications or procedures

to assist minorities to get into the system.

The main thrust of the recruiting effort has been to encourage police officers to refer people who might be interested. These individuals are then contacted, the employment procedures and the job explained. Those who complete the application are provided a manual to help them study for the written test.

The next step is the examination, which tests general ability, reading comprehension, and ability to make iudgements. Those who pass the written examination have an interview with a member of the Police Bureau and two members of the Civil Service Commission. The interviewer explores the candidate's background. his interests, his understanding of police work, and his judgement. The written examination makes up sixty per cent of the candidate's score and the interview accounts for forty per cent.

Next comes the physical test with dragging weight, running and situps. Those who pass go on to the medical examination and those who fail can try again after a period of time elapses.

Following the medical is the

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psychological examination which attempts to judge maturity and emotional control as well as ruling out psychosis and neurosis. Next comes the background check including personal references, police and credit records and interviews with acquaintances.

The candidate who passes these tests is placed on the hiring list according to his score on the written and oral examinations and when he is first on the list, he is hired.

Although the qualifications to become a police officer are strict, and after the candidate is hired he serves an eighteen month probationary period, many men and women do pass and qualify for employment. Minorities are passing the qualifications at about the same percentage as Caucasians.

Newman has found an interest in the Police Department among Blacks and does not believe the old myth that Blacks cannot be recruited. A police officer in Portland for seven vears, and before that a member of the military police, he understands the frustrations and the rewards of being a police officer and believes it is a good career to pursue.



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SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

CAPTAIN WILLIAM TAYLOR AND CAPTAIN VERN McCabe of THE PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU INVITE YOU TO ATTEND A SPECIAL MEETING TO DISCUSS RELOCATION OF NORTH PRECINCT.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 7:30 PM IN THE STUDENT UNION, PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE, CASCADE CAMPUS - 705 N. KILLINGSWORTH.

ATTENDANCE WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

CRITERIA FOR SITE OF POLICE PRECINCT

- 1. A minimum of 40,000 square feet.
- 2. Centralized location within precinct boundaries.
- 3. Quick access to north-south and east-west arterials.
- 4. Must not adversely affect the existing neighborhood.
- 5. Must not be located in a residential neighborhood.
- 6. Must not require re-zoning of the property.
- 7. Must not displace any existing housing.



PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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STAFF DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Ernest E. Hartzog Assistant Superintendent

October 9, 1975

Mr. Vern Summers Director Metropolitan Human Relations Commission 1220 S.W. 5th Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mr. Summers:

I know that you are aware of some of the information and circumstances surrounding the recent incident(s) at Roosevelt High School. Since I am aware that it is often easier to gain information via word of mouth, media, etc. which may or may not be correct, I am sending you this brief summary of information. You will note that a good deal of this chronological data reports the numerous responses by personnel of School District No. 1 in support of the school, students, and their parents.

I hope this information is useful to you and I will be pleased to make additional information available at your request.

Sincerely,

Ernest E. Hartzog,

Assistant Superintendent Portland Public Schools

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Staff Development & Community Relations/PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS/631 Northeast Clackamas Street/Portland, Oregon 97208

Ernest E. Hartzog, Assistant Superintendent

Telephone 1-(503)-234-3392, Ext. 242 - 328

TO: Mr. Blanchard Date: October 7, 1975

Mr. McElroy

RE: A Summary of Recent Events on the Roosevelt Situation

- Sept. 9 Disruption at the school. Five students involved (four black and one white). Special investigation and police action Identified students placed on suspension pending expulsion hearings. Letters sent to parents, Area and central office notified. (Norm Monroe at school)
- Sept. 10 Meetings with parents of involved students by school administration.
- Sept. 12 Bob Lamb, Department of Justice, in Portland.
- Sept. ? Letters sent to parents recommending expulsion proceedings by vice principals.
 - Parents do not understand the process
 - Reports that atmosphere is polarized
- Sept. 17 Bob Lamb at Superintendent's office. Bob Lamb at Ernie Hartzog's office.
- Sept. 19 Bob Lamb at Ernie Hartzog's office with Norm Monroe. Later Mr. Lamb met with the Superintendent. Decision made for Clint Thomas and Ernie Hartzog to meet with parents at Columbia Villa to discuss "expulsion proceedings" only.
 - Bob Lamb
 - Norm Monroe
 - Bill Hunter
- Sept. 23 Held meeting in Ernie Hartzog's office to share concerns on the Columbia Villa/Roosevelt situation racism, communications with Villa parents (Will Fletcher, Bill Hunter, Dr. Musolf, Dave Wienecke, Clint Thomas, Ernie Hartzog).
- Sept. 24 Confirmed follow-up meeting at Columbia Villa with Bill Hunter and staff. Black Justice Committee met.
- Sept. 25

 Bill Talbert, Department of Justice, called the Superintendent,
 Don McElroy, and me met with Mr. Talbert and filled him in on
 the story. Bill Talbert alerted us that he was sent to Portland
 by Bob Lamb. He reported that he had already met with a parent
 group.

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Oct. 2 Mr. Bob Lamb of the Department of Justice called and informed me that he would be arriving in Portland this afternoon about 3:00 p.m. and wishes to get together with me today. He did not call until Friday. We never made contact. I understand he met with parents and with Black Justice group.

Several recent activities in which I have been involved:

1) On Thursday, September 27, there was a meeting in my office attended by Dr. Musolf, the Columbia Villa Housing authority, Bill Hunter, Will Fletcher, Clint Thomas, Dave Wienecke (principal of Roosevelt).

Needs:

- 1) To make sure that whatever is decided will work to bring Dave Wienecke and Roosevelt into the driver's seat regarding all strategies because we felt that in the final analysis that is where the responsibility would have to be and appropriately should be. We would work in support of Dave Wienecke.
- 2) To very quickly begin a series of meetings to be set up by Dave Wienecke, the Villa staff, and with parents in the Columbia area. Clint Thomas is to follow-up and alert Will Fletcher and Dave Wienecke on this strategy.

Meanwhile, at least two additional incidents have occurred at Roosevelt. On Friday, September 26, there was an incident involving a black and white student and eventually a member of the teaching staff at the school. On Monday, September 29, it was reported that approximately 11 students who reside in the Villa are would not attend classes although advised by the Administration to do so and instead elected to go home. I chatted with Dave Wienecke and Clint Thomas on this. The Administration was in the process of alerting all parents of these students about this incident. Meetings were being set up with those parents at the school. On Tuesday, September 30, I talked personally with Mrs. Patty Thomas and I also received a call from Norm Monroe on that day. Norm, incidently, had visited Roosevelt on the same morning (Tuesday) and I understand had talked with Dave Wienecke at the school. On the afternoon of September 30, I talked personally with Dave Wienecke and received an accounting from him on progress made to date. I drove in the vicinity of the school on two occasions on this date to try to access the student climate. All appeared to be calm. Dave informed me that meetings were taking place almost constantly

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with the involved parents, that Norm Monroe had visited the school, and that Mrs. Patty Thomas had been at the school practically all that day and has taken several tours by the Administration. Mr. Joe Nunn and one of the Advisory Specialists were in the building providing assistance. He reported that the situation was calm in the buildings and the surrounding areas. Bill informed me also that he had talked with Bill Hunter and they had already set plans to meet and that part of those plans will call for at least one beginning meeting with him and perhaps members of his staff with Columbia Villa residents.

Oct. 3 Vern Summers, MHRC, called. He reported that he had been in attendance at several meetings with Roosevelt parents.

Bob Lamb called to report that he attended a Black Justice Committee meeting on Thursday night. He said it was a very intense meeting with parents listing a range of grievances which he felt we would be receiving.

- Oct. 6
 1) Called Clint Thomas regarding letter from Dave Wienecke to parents setting a meeting on October 13. (Attached) Suggested that parents be called to poll attendance possibilities.
 - 2) Called Mrs. Patty Thomas. She said she had received a letter, but indicated that some of the parents may not be able to attend a 1:00 p.m. meeting. She asked for Joe Nunn's phone number.
 - 3) Talked with Rev. John Jackson regarding Roosevelt situation.
 - 4) Called Jim Brooks of the Urban League to alert him to the situation. Merely brought him up to date on things.
 - 5) Called Ellis Casson. Reported that he attended a meeting in Columbia Villa with "Beruti" on Saturday. I understand that this was to be a meeting of "students."

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Ellis reported that there was to be another meeting of the Black Justice Committee tonight (October 6).

Clint Thomas reported that all appeared calm and business as usual at Roosevelt today.

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P.S.

October 7

Attended a meeting at Roosevelt of Citizens Advisory Committee (first meeting of 1975-76). In attendance:

- Mrs. Hall (Columbia Villa parent)
- Clint Homas
- Mr. Bill Hunter (Columbia Villa Housing Authority)
- (a) Toured school and talked informally with students
- (b) Observed numerous instances of black and white kids talking and playing together
- (c) No evidence of problems or hostility (during lunch hour)
- (d) Dave Wienecke talked on at least two major efforts to begin this year:
 - (1) More parent visitation programs
 - (2) Staff training in Multicultural Education and Interpersonal Relations

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Immediately following the October 9 incident at Roosevelt, the PTA President and Board invited several Columbia Villa parents to meet with them for discussions on mutual concerns and problems. These meetings did not get underway.

Dave Wienecke and his staff have met with all involved parents in trying to resolve problems and to assist with understandings. These meetings have been taking place with parents and their representatives periodically since the October 9 incident as required.

PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENTS

INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

MEMORANDUM

FROM	David Wienecke	
то	Clinton Thomas	

October 10, 1975

67-2840

Six years ago as I planned for the opening of school, it appeared to me that if students at Roosevelt High School were to be successful as they live together in the building on a day by day basis that we needed to plan carefully so that this would occur. Several things seemed apparent.

- 1. The school had completed a series of traumatic experiences the previous year.
- 2. The faculty's average age was above 45.
- 3. The curriculum had been oriented toward the college bound and/or those students who already had above average basic skills knowledges.
- 4. The St. Johns area in many ways was isolated from that of the City of Portland.
- 5. Most of the students were children of blue collar and/or "hard hat" families. Thirty percent of these were on the "free lunch" program.
- Historically and traditionally, students had settled their school differences with their fists.
- 7. Much prejudice existed against minorities and had been a part of the St. Johns culture for many, many years.

Due to the above, we planned the following:

- With the help of the Area I Office, Dr. Fosmire of the University of Oregon, organized a team of five experts in the field of inter-personal relationships in order to involve our faculty in methods and ways of improving human relations.
- 2. During one entire school year, a faculty committee helped prepare for a total faculty workshop. The workshop was then scheduled for the early weeks of the following September. Other faculty meetings were used as "follow ups".
- 3. Whenever possible, younger teachers were hired as vacancies occurred within the staff. Three additional black teachers were hired.
- 4. Poetry classes were begun in the English Department which included one textbook written by Black authors and a second textbook being written by American Indian authors. One English course added a unit in Black language.

Mr. Clinton Thomas

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- 5. Our Black Student Union sponsored several school functions among them a faculty tea featuring soul food which had been prepared by the students.
- 6. Due to a variety of faculty inservice trainings, all teachers in all departments began ordering and using library resource books which emphasized the richness of a variety of American culture patterns including the contributions to America of Black people during the Colonial Period, as well as other periods. One of the new teachers hired was a black social studies teacher.
- 7. Four of our teachers attended last year's ethnic studies workshop sponsored by the Area I Office. Two faculty meetings this year have been devoted to this subject as a result of the workshop. Roosevelt is the first school in Area I to further the implementation of ethnic studies into the total curriculum.
- 8. Our student council and executive cabinet are planning and organizing an ethnic cultural week for the school.

The above planning is just a few of the ongoing and continuous school programs. Perhaps just as important, our total curriculum during the past six years has undergone a complete revision. We probably now have the outstanding basic skills program of any school within the City. We are now meeting the needs of that 1/3 of our student body that is fifth grade and below in basic skills in English, reading, mathematics, and social studies.

In many ways, we notice that the majority of students do appreciate each other.

Our student body voted a black senior female as Roosevelt's Outstanding Girl of the Year in the spring of 1974. Our student body elected a black senior male student as Mr. Roosevelt in the spring of 1975. The president of this year's student senate is a black male, and I predict he will also be our spring student body president. Our last year's Rose Festival Princess was an American Oriental. Our last year's student body president was an American Indian and also won the State of Oregon Georgia-Pacific Scholarship award which is worth \$10,000. One of our black halfbacks won "all city" in 1973/74 and two of our black football players were awarded two out of the five trophies presented by our school at our athletic assembly last year.

I'm sure that I could continue, Clint, but some of the above is interesting information in light of faculty efforts toward school improvement. I hope that this memorandum may prove of help in understanding school efforts toward maintaining quality education for all.