



**CIVILIAN POLICE REVIEW BOARD
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS**

January 14, 2020
MEETING MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER – 10:05**
- II. ROLL CALL**

Michael Graham, Chairperson
Chairperson Graham

CPRB MEMBERS

ATTENDANCE

Michael Graham, Chair
Ashley Mostella, Vice Chair
Michael Hess
Ernest Turner
Mary Clark
Ken Mountcastle
Roz Quarto – excused absence
David Gatian – excused absence
Gerri Butler, Staff Counsel
LeeAnn Hanlon, Secretary

OPS STAFF

ATTENDANCE

Roger Smith, Administrator
George Coulter, General Manager
Henry Roney, Senior Investigator
Shayla Davis, Community Engagement
Art Bowker, Investigator
Kevin Wynne, Investigator
Keith Oliver, Investigator
Eric Richardson, Investigator
Julie Delaney, Investigator
Toni Shanks, OPS Secretary

- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- V. PRESENTATION OF INVESTIGATIONS**
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**
- VII. OPS REPORT**
 - A. REVIEW OF DIRECORT DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS**
- VIII. POLICY UPDATES**
- IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- XI. NEW BUSINESS**
- XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Administrator Smith

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III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Turner made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Mountcastle and the motion to approve the minutes passed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Graham reminded everyone of the three (3) minute time limit.

Dave Lima, SURJ –

I've commented previously about the components of an effective police oversight system (Independence, Authority and Funding) that is both respected by the police department and trusted by the community. Previously I commented very briefly on a measure that would enhance the authority of the Board and its effectiveness, the authority to audit policies and practices of the Cleveland Department of Police. Today I would like to expand on this topic.

The authority of OPS and the Board should not be limited to investigating individual allegations of police misconduct. It should also have the ability to review the underlying policies that may play a part in the misconduct. An individual officer's misconduct must also take into account the policies, practices, and culture of the department. Exposure of problems bigger than one individual act of misconduct could result in the prevention of future wrongdoing.

The authority to investigate and make recommendations should be broad and take into account civil rights and public safety concerns. When certain patterns of behaviors resulting in complaints are noticed, or appear to increase, the auditing function should be initiated to determine whether departmental policies or unwritten practices are responsible.

Once the auditing has been completed, OPS and the Board should have the authority to make its recommendations to the Chief, Safety Director, City Council and the Mayor, along with a report to the public.

The addition of this function may require changes in the policies and practices of each. Seattle's ordinance relating to civilian and community oversight of the police provides for such authority. The ordinance provision for the auditing function states that the Office of Police Accountability shall have the authority to identify systemic problems, in the Seattle Police Department policies, training, supervision, and management identified in the course of OPA's investigation of possible misconduct. Not only does it provide for the auditing function, but it also mandates the exercise of independent judgment and requires that responsibilities be carried out without interference from any person, group or organization, including the Chief, other Seattle Police Department employees, or other City officials and City employees.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 10:00 am



V. PRESENTATION OF INVESTIGATIONS

a. 19-030: Anderson

Det. Hayduk #349

Allegation: Lack of Service

Recommendation: Unfounded

Motion: Graham

Second: Hess

Motion passes with one opposed

b. 19-039: Blair. Complainant was present and stated that the officers got components of her traffic accident report wrong. Complainant also stated she did not understand why the officers did not interview the passengers in her vehicle, or allow the other involved party to leave the scene.

P.O. Lombardi #1130

Allegation: Lack of Service

Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham

Second: Mostella

Motion passes

P.O. Latson #2309

Allegation: Lack of Service

Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham

Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes



c. 19-074: Edwards

P.O. Morley #1108

Allegation: Lack of Service
Recommendation: Exonerated
Motion: Graham
Second: Mountcastle
Motion passes

Allegation: Failure to Provide Name/Badge
Recommendation: Unfounded
Motion: Graham
Second: Mountcastle
Motion passes

P.O. Fioritto #993

Allegation: Lack of Service
Recommendation: Exonerated
Motion: Graham
Second: Mountcastle
Motion passes

Allegation: Failure to Provide Name/Badge
Recommendation: Unfounded
Motion: Graham
Second: Turner
Motion passes

d. 19-081: Williams

Sgt. Ilain #9239

Allegation: Damaged Property
Recommendation: Exonerated
Motion: Graham
Second: Clark
Motion passes



Sgt. Stone #9253

Allegation: Damaged Property

Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham

Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

e. 19-187: Wilson

Det. Yasenchack #2362

Allegation: Improper Stop

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham

Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

Allegation: Improper Citation

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham

Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

Allegation: Biased Policing

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham

Second: Clark

Motion passes

Allegation: Improper Search

Recommendation: ****tabled until February 11, 2020 meeting due to voting deadlock****



f. 19-190: Anonymous

P.O. Santa #1358

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct

Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham

Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

g. 19-193: Walker

Dispatcher Wells #114

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct

Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham

Second: Clark

Motion passes with one abstention

VII (A). REVIEW OF DIRECTOR DECISIONS

18-102 CPRB disagreed with the Director's dismissal and voted for a resolution.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 13:01 hours.