

Proposed Minutes

POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION
POLICY AND PROCEDURE COMMITTEE

Minutes

Regular Meeting

September 23, 2014

Starting at 6:00 p.m.

350 Fifth Street, Room 241, Minneapolis, MN 55415

Committee Members Present: Andrew Buss (Chair), and Jennifer Singleton (quorum 2).

Committee Members Absent: Michael Weinbeck

Staff Present: Michael K. Browne, Director – Office of Police Conduct Review (612) 673-5500. Also present, Legal Analyst Ryan Patrick.

Chair Buss called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Singleton moved to adopt the meeting agenda.

No discussion.

All-in-favor. None opposed.

The motion carried.

Singleton moved to approve the August 26, 2014 meeting minutes.

No discussion.

All-in-favor. None opposed.

The motion carried.

Unfinished Business.

Research and Study Updates and Pending Information Requests

Ryan Patrick addressed the Committee. The following are the main points of the discussion:

- The office continues to receive information for the cultural awareness report; will be working the information into the report.
- The coaching audit is nearing completion with two years of data available for review.
- The office has a basic subscription to Westlaw, which will not provide the information the Committee is seeking to obtain regarding suppression motions.

- Visinet, which is the name of the computer system the MPD uses in the cars to enter information, user guide is now available for review by the Committee.

With the conclusion of the update from Mr. Patrick, the floor is opened for discussion. The following is a list of the participants in the discussion and an abstract of their individual comments:

Singleton – asked if there are capabilities within Visinet that may not be currently used, which could enable the officers to document other activities.

Buss – indicated that some of the questions the Committee members may be addressed after the presentation by a training Sargent from the Police Academy in October. Also requesting a change in terminology with regard to the tracking and prioritization of cases indicating that prioritization be removed to avoid being misleading.

Discussion Items

With no new information on the topic to address, Chair Buss opened the floor for discussion. The following is a list of the discussion points from the Committee member's comments:

Singleton – currently working on comparing ADA issues with other jurisdictions; will have something to report on by the November meeting.

With no further discussion, the Chair closed the discussion and moved to the next item on the agenda.

New Business

New Cases Referred to the Committee by the Commission

The Committee members proceeded to discuss August Data Case Summary #4 referred to the Committee by the Commission. The following is a list of comments discussed and an abstract of their individual comments:

Buss – the case involves an autistic teenager, who ended up being subdued by the responding officers. Asks if this specific discussion and analysis or if there is a CIT issue present. Apparently the individual's mother attempted to inform the officers, but how do they prepare for and de-escalate the issue?

Singleton – when they hear autism or Asperger's syndrome then the CIT training should kick in. Also, indicated that there will be a public safety meeting where the body camera issue will be discussed for those that are interested on attending.

Mr. Patrick agreed to attend the public safety meeting the following day. With no further discussion on the matter, the Chair closed the discussion and moved to the next item on the agenda.

Public Comment

With no public present, Chair Buss closed the floor for public comment.

Adjournment

With all of the Committee's business being concluded, the chair entertained a motion:

Singleton moved to adjourn.

All-in-favor. None opposed.

The motion carried.

Chair Buss adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.