

Date: July 10, 2017
To: BART Board of Directors
From: BART Police Citizen Review Board
Cydia A. Garrett, Chairperson
Subject: Quarterly Report to Board of Directors

This quarterly report from the BART Police Citizen Review Board (BPCRB) to the BART Board of Directors covers the BPCRB's most significant activities for April, May and June 2017.

BART Police Citizen Review Board Members:

Benjamin L. Douglas	District 1
Cathryn Freitas	District 2
William White	District 3
Darren White	District 4
Bob Maginnis	District 5
Les Mensinger	District 6
Sharon Anne Kidd	District 7
David Rizk (Vice Chairperson)	District 8
George Perezvelez	District 9
Cydia A. Garrett (Chairperson)	Public-At-Large
Richard Knowles	BART Police Officers and Managers Associations

Meetings:

The BPCRB normally meets in the district boardroom at 4 pm on the second Monday of the month. Meeting agendas and minutes are posted on the district website and can be found at www.bart.gov/about/bod/meetings.aspx. The regular agenda items include monthly oral reports by the BART Chief of Police and the Independent Police Auditor.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities

The Citizen Oversight Model lists several primary duties and responsibilities for the BPCRB. The general topic headings below describe the BPCRB activities related to these tasks:

Receiving complaints, reviewing investigative reports and making recommendations for corrective action.

The Independent Auditor has received a number of complaints and appeals, which are being investigated. During the quarter, three cases (OIPA cases 16-29, 16-31 and 17-06) were presented to the BPCRB and the OIPA recommendations were agreed to by at least a majority of BPCRB members.

Recommendations on Procedures, Practices and Training

During the quarter, the BPCRB subcommittee continued its work on the BPD Use of Force Policy Revision. The subcommittee presented its recommendations and many individuals addressed the BPCRB during the May meeting. The subcommittee's recommended revisions with a plan to implement and train the revised policy were approved with 6 BPCRB members for and 4 against.

Reporting

This is the 22nd formal written report to the Board of Directors.

Monitor Study Recommendations

N/A

Community Outreach and Other Activities

On April 4, 2017, Les Mensinger a Drug Endangered Children Training from 8 am – 5 pm in Dublin, CA.

In April 2017, George Perezvelez and David Rizk attended a San Francisco Bar Association Forum.

On April 28, 2017, the BPCRB and OIPA partnered with Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Contra Costa Chapter and held a community forum to engage in meaningful dialogue about issues related to the police and the youth with whom they interact. Cydia Garrett, Les Mensinger and William White participated in this forum.

Sharon Kidd, George Perezvelez and William White attended the NOBLE 2017 Bay Area Police Chief Meet and Greet on May 12, 2017 at the Danilov Restaurant in San Francisco.

On May 25, 2017, Sharon Kidd, George Perezvelez, William White, Les Mensinger and Cydia Garrett attended the swearing in ceremony for BART Police Chief Carlos Rojas.

Les Mensinger, Sharon Kidd and George Perezvelez will attend the NACOLE Conference in Spokane, WA in September 2017.

Training

During the quarter, the following training was received:

Homeless Persons (Policy #467) training presented by Sgt. Williamson and Mr. Sandoval in April 2017.

Homeless Persons presentation by Coalition on Homelessness (community advocates) in June 2017.

Participation in Oral Boards

Les Mensinger participated on BPD officer interview panels on 5/26/17 and 6/9/17.

Sharon Kidd participated on BPD officer interview panels on 4/28/17, 4/29/17, 5/26/17, 6/9/17, 6/16/17, 6/23/17, 6/24/17, 6/29/17 and 6/30/17.

George Perezvelez participated on BPD officer interview panels on 4/28/17 and 5/26/17.

William White, George Perezvelez, Sharon Kidd, Cydia Garrett and David Rizk observed presentations by BART Police Chief candidates in April 2017.