

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT
300 Lakeside Drive, P.O. Box 12688, Oakland, CA 94604-2888

BART Police Citizen Review Board
Monday, March 14, 2016

A regular meeting of the BART Police Citizen Review Board (BPCRB) was held on Monday, March 14, 2016 convening at 4:00 p.m. in the BART Board Room, 344 20th Street, Oakland, California.

Members Present: Chairperson Cydia Garrett, Vice Chairperson Les Mensinger, Douglas Hambleton, Sharon Kidd, Darren White, George Perezvelez, Sukari Beshears, and William White.

BART Staff: BART Police Department (BPD) Chief Kenton Rainey, BPD Acting Deputy Chief Lance Haight, BPD Lieutenant Paul Kwon, BART Attorney Byron Toma, Interim Independent Police Auditor Russell Bloom, and Senior Administrative Analyst Sarah Celso

Agenda items discussed:

- 1. Call to Order.**
The regular meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Chairperson Cydia Garrett.
 - 2. Call for Quorum.**
Cydia Garrett, Les Mensinger, Doug Hambleton, Sharon Kidd, William White and Darren White were present, amounting to a quorum.
 - 3. Pledge of Allegiance Recital.**
The pledge of allegiance was recited.
 - 4. Approval of Minutes of Prior Board Meeting. For Discussion and Action.**
A motion to approve the minutes of the prior BPCRB meeting was made by Ms. Kidd and seconded by Mr. Mensinger. The motion passed unanimously.
 - 5. General Discussion and Public Comment. Limited to 3 minutes per speaker.**
(An opportunity for the public to address the BPCRB on matters under their jurisdiction and not on the agenda.)
No items for General Discussion. No public comment.
- George Perezvelez entered the meeting.
- 6. Chairperson's Report. For Discussion and Action.**
Chairperson Garrett reminded BPCRB members that terms will expire on June 30, 2016 for those members representing even-numbered districts and the public-at-large. Chairperson Garrett asked members to provide Ms. Kidd with any information for inclusion in the BPCRB Quarterly Report.

- a. BPCRB Bylaws: Chairperson Garrett asked that the BPCRB review the Bylaws and inform her of any changes they wish to agendize for discussion at a future meeting.
- b. BART Citizen Oversight Model (Model): Chairperson Garrett suggested expanding the scope of BPCRB investigation review to include BPD Internal Affairs cases. The BPCRB decided not to pursue making changes to the Model.

7. Chief of Police's Report. For Discussion and Action.

Chief Rainey asked that the BPCRB review the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing report and assist BPD with making sure that the agency remains on track to becoming a 21st Century Policing organization.

- a. UCLA Fare Evasion Study: Chief Rainey has not had any response from the authors of the study, and it is still ongoing.
- b. Use of Social Media: Chief Rainey requested more information from the BPCRB regarding how to move forward with this item. Chairperson Garrett stated that she wanted to know how BPD was using social media to engage with the community and inform the community of the good work that they are doing. This topic will be brought back on the agenda at a later time for further discussion.

Chief Rainey reminded the BPCRB about a National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) Forum on 21st Century Policing to be held March 15, 2016 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM in the auditorium at 300 Lakeside Drive Oakland, CA 94612.

In June, in conjunction with the Contra Costa Police Chief Association and Alameda County Police Chief Association, retired Commissioner Chuck Ramsey, who was the Co-Chair on The President's Task Force for 21st Century Policing, will speak to BPD and other Bay Area law enforcement agencies regarding his perspective on 21st Century Policing.

8. BPCRB Training Program.

March training topic: Oversight Agency Basics

- Mr. Bloom reviewed the BPCRB Citizen Oversight Model and compared it to San Jose Independent Police Auditor's Oversight Model, and discussed the differences between the two. He also discussed other types of oversight models and structures, and answered questions from the BPCRB.
- Mr. Toma presented a Powerpoint slideshow to the BPCRB that included the following items: Brown Act, California Public Records Act, Standard Rules of Parliamentary Procedure (Sturgis), Peace Officers' Procedural bill of Rights (POBR), Copley Press v. Superior Court, and New Cases and Law Relevant to [BPCRB] Work.

Sukari Beshears entered the meeting.

9. Independent Police Auditor's Report. For Discussion and Action.

a. Office of the Independent Police Auditor's Monthly Report.

Mr. Bloom presented OIPA's February 2016 monthly report and responded to questions from the BPCRB. Acting Deputy Chief Lance Haight also responded to questions from the BPCRB.

Mr. Bloom announced that he would be participating on the Civilian Oversight Panel at the NOBLE forum on 21st Century Policing on March 15, 2016.

10. Adjournment.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Mensinger and seconded by Sharon Kidd. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:36 p.m.