

POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION
October 13, 2015
Policy and Procedure Committee
Chair Report

Chair Brown and Commissioners:

The Policy and Procedure Committee met on September 17th. All committee members were present as well as OPCR Supervisor, Ryan Patrick.

Complete agenda and meeting minutes are available on the committee website:
<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/civilrights/conductcomm/WCMS1P-122238>

Presentation on School Resource Officers and the Juvenile Outreach and Diversion Program:

Commander Bruce Folken addressed the Committee; the following are the main points from his presentation:

- In 2008 the MPD and Minneapolis Public Schools [MPS] began their partnership, adopting a philosophy regarding differences poor behavior and criminal behavior. This approach put into place preventative measures to identify and prevent children from entering into the criminal justice system.
- There is now a more collaborative environment between all juvenile related programs to better serve and collaborate between the varying organizations, and crime statistics have dramatically decreased and comparative statistics support this trend.
- SRO's are selected based on several competency levels, not limited to people skills, experience as a patrol officer, dependability, modeling skills, and a proven record of dedication to the profession.
- SRO's go through all MPD training in addition to gang reduction education, participation in the GREAT program, DPS basic training, SRO training, AMHT training, MPS Social workers programs, which includes drug and alcohol training, and informed trauma approach.
- The officers who are interested are encouraged to stay with the program for at least one year to maintain consistency.
- Officers also teach safety classes and spend considerable amounts of time interacting with the children in the schools in which they are assigned.

Ongoing Business –

Research and Study Status Updates:

Mr. Patrick's update included the following highlights:

- A request has gone out to the Chief on the six-month results on the investigative study.
- The body camera report has been sent out and has been formally received.
- The "Doesn't Fit Any Crime" will continue on its current timeline and will be presented to the Commission as scheduled. The "Doesn't Fit Any Crime" study is an internal data pull and the most difficult portion should involve looking at the charges involved.
- Mr. Patrick is now a certified government auditing professional which brings another level of expertise and professionalism to the good work already being produced by his office.

Additional Discussion Items:

Commissioner Singleton spoke with the Minnesota Bicycle Collective regarding studying cyclists and trends, i.e. racial disparities; the Collective is interested in submitting the findings to the Committee once completed.

Mr. Patrick attended the NACOLE conference and will submit a report to the Committee at the next Committee meeting.

New Business –

No new cases were referred to the committee from the prior commission meeting

Moving Forward

- Upcoming meeting schedule:
Tuesday, October 27th, at 6:00pm
Thursday, November 19th, at 6:00pm
Tuesday, December 15^h, at 6:00pm
- The agenda will include status updates of existing programs of research and study, ongoing information requests, and further discussion of previously referred cases;
- New business will be determined based on referrals from Commission meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

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