

Date: July 11, 2016
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 2016.

BART Police Citizen Review Board Members:

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

*term ended during quarter

**term ended at end of appointment, June 30, 2016

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 BART Chief of Police Kenton Rainey and Interim Independent Police Auditor Russell Bloom. Mr. Bloom also presents the CRB with a written monthly report, which can be found on the Auditor's webpage at www.bart.gov/policeauditor.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities

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

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

During the quarter, the OIPA presented no cases to the BPCRB.

Recommendations on Procedures, Practices and Training

Seattle Police Department Training Video regarding BART Police Department Policy 403
The BPCRB watched and discussed the video. They agreed that the video was well done and informally suggested that BPD include it in their officer training, and that viewings should be followed by a discussion with the officers. The BPCRB also informally suggested that the video be used in BPD Fair and Impartial Policing training during the next cycle of the Advanced Officer Training series.

Acting Deputy Chief Lance Haight stated that he would convey the board's comments to Chief Rainey and responded to questions from the BPCRB.

Reporting

This is the eighteenth formal written report to the Board of Directors.

Monitor Study Recommendations

N/A

Community Outreach and Other Activities:

April 19, 2016

Sharon Kidd attended the Swearing-in of Chief Allwyn Brown as Chief of Police for the City of Richmond, California.

April 21, 2016

Sharon Kidd attended the Police Recruitment and Retention meeting with Sgt Carolyn Perea, Officer Richard Jacobs, and Lt. Randall Gregson.

May 2, 2016

Les Mensinger participated on the Police Recruitment and Retention Committee with Sgt. Perea regarding poster ideas.

Community Outreach and Other Activities, cont'd:

May 4, 2016/June 6, 2016

Les Mensinger participated on a NACOLE Scholarship Committee conference call.

May 11, 2016

Sharon Kidd rated and reviewed the applicant's supplemental questionnaire responses for the Policy Analyst vacancy in the City of Oakland's Police Review Board at the request of the City of Oakland's Human Resources Management Division. NOTE: This is Sharon's second year participating in this hiring process.

*NOTE: The incumbent plans and coordinates administrative functions, provides policy direction and engages in community outreach to advance the goals and objective of the Citizens' Police Review Board (CPRB).

May 25, 2016

Russell Bloom, Interim Independent Auditor, and Les Mensinger attended a Board Communications and Technology Modernization Committee meeting with BART Board Members, Nick Josefowitz, Rebecca Saltzman, and Joel Keller.

June 3, 2016

Cydia Garrett participated on panel interviewing applicants for BART Independent Police Auditor.

June 6, 2016

Sharon Kidd coordinated and participated in 'ZETA DAY AT THE CAPITOL'. Sharon Kidd was recognized on the Assembly and Senate Floor, and also recognized as being on the BART Citizen Review Board.

Also, on this a special tribute was given in honor of 'Muhammad Ali' and his legacy by his Goddaughter who was present.

June 7, 2016

Les Mensinger attended the presentation on the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing by Charles Ramsey, Task Force Co-Chair at the Leshner Center in Walnut Creek.

Community Outreach and Other Activities, cont'd:

June 8, 2016

Russell Bloom, Interim Independent Auditor, and Les Mensinger participated on the Oral Board for the City of Oakland's hiring of a Complaint Investigator II.

June 23, 2016

BART BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – Cydia Garrett and Sharon Kidd attended the BART Board of Director's meeting when District 1 (Benjamin Douglas), District 3 (William White), District 7 (Sharon Kidd), District 9 (George Perezvelez) and Public-at-Large (Cydia Garrett) were re-appointed to the BART Citizen Review Board for a 2 year term, expiring on June 30, 2018.

Cathryn Freitas was appointed to District 2 to fill the seat that expires on June 30, 2017. Ms. Freitas replaced Sukari Beshears.

Participation in BART PD Oral Boards:

June 2, 2016 – George Perezvelez and William White served on Oral Boards

June 16, 2016 – William White served on Oral Boards

Training:

At the regular January BPCRB meeting, BPCRB members unanimously passed a motion to adopt the Proposed 2016 Training Schedule as prepared by OIPA.

During the quarter, the following trainings were received:

April BPCRB Training Program topic: **BPD Structure and Organization**

Sergeant Williamson reviewed the structure and organization of BPD and answered questions from the BPCRB.

Mr. Morgan reviewed technology systems currently being used by BPD and answered questions from the BPCRB.

Training, cont'd:

June BPCRB Training Program topic: BPD Crowd Control and Crowd Management

Sergeant Williamson reviewed BPD Crowd Control and Crowd Management and answered questions from the BPCRB.

In May, Government and Community Relations Department Manager Roddrick Lee presented “Better BART” and answered questions from the BPCRB.