Date: October 17, 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 July, August, and September 2016.

BART Police Citizen Review Board Members:

Benjamin L. Douglas          District 1
Cathryn Freitas*             District 2
William White                District 3
Darren White                 District 4
Vacant                       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

*Ms. Freitas was sworn in on 7/11/16
**Mr. Rizk and Ms. Garrett were elected Vice-Chair and Chair respectively on 7/11/16

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](http://www.bart.gov/about/bod/meetings.aspx). The regular agenda items include monthly oral reports by BART Chief of Police Kenton Rainey and Independent Police Auditor Russell Bloom. Mr. Bloom also presents the BPCRB with a written monthly report, which can be found on the Auditor’s webpage at [www.bart.gov/policeauditor](http://www.bart.gov/policeauditor).
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.

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

Recommendations on Procedures, Practices and Training

Chief Rainey presented a proposed revision to BPD Policy #1020 (Internal Investigation of Allegations of Misconduct) in July and the BPCRB endorsed the proposed revision. Policy #1020 was again revised and again endorsed by the BPCRB at the September meeting.

Chief Rainey and Acting Deputy Chief Haight presented a proposed revision to BPD Policy #1019 (Early Warning System) and the majority of the BPCRB endorsed the revision.

Reporting

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

Monitor Study Recommendations

N/A

Participation in BART PD Oral Boards, Community Outreach and Other Activities:

The following BPCRB members participated on Lateral, Entry Level and Lateral Police Officer and CSO oral board panels:

- Lateral/AG July 28th: William White
- Lateral/AG July 29th: David Rizk
- CSO Interview August 18th: George Perezvelez, William White
- CSO Interview August 18th: Les Mensinger
- CSO Interview August 19th: Les Mensinger
- CSO Interview August 31st: Les Mensinger
- Lateral/AG Interview September 2nd: Les Mensinger
- Entry Level Officer Interviews September 22: Les Mensinger
- Entry Level Officer Interviews September 23: Les Mensinger
Participation in BART PD Oral Boards, Community Outreach and Other Activities, cont’d:

July 29, 2016

Sharon Kidd attended a city wide vigil at Acts Full Gospel Church along with city officials, board members and law enforcement.

August 2, 2016

Sharon Kidd attended National Night Out at Ashby station and Les Mensinger attended at Castro Valley station.

August 10, 2016

Sharon Kidd attended, along with Sgt. T. Carter, a Public Safety Community Engagement Forum, “Where Do We Go From Here?” at Samaritan Cathedral Church of God In Christ.

September 25-29, 2016

Richard Knowles, George Perezvelez and Les Mensinger attended the National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement (NACOLE) conference “Confronting Systemic Injustice” in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Les Mensinger received a NACOLE Certificate of Practitioner.

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 training was received:

August BPCRB Training Program topic: Use of Force and De-Escalation Tactics

Lt. Lopez reviewed BPD Use of Force and De-Escalation tactics and answered questions from the BPCRB.